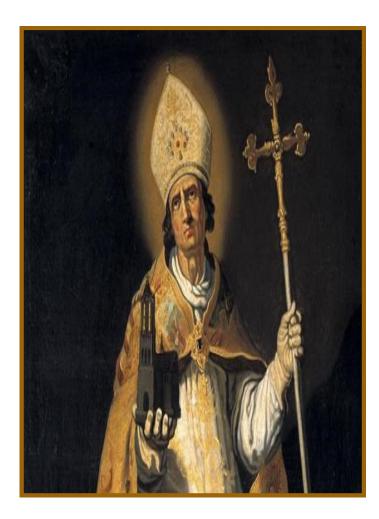
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NOVENA TO SAINT WILLIBRORD

Recited from: October 29th through November 6th (Latin Calendar)

Feast Day: November 7th (Latin Calendar)



Paton of: convulsions; epilepsy; epileptics; Luxembourg; Netherlands; archdiocese of Utrecht, Netherlands

Novena

The word Novena derives it name from the Latin word "novem" meaning "nine." A novena can be either a private or public devotion in the Catholic Church to obtain special graces.

Novena to Saint Willibrord

1st Day

God our Father, you have given to St Willibrord a strong and living faith, which preserved him from faint-heartedness in every difficulty.

Give us the grace of the same deep faith, which will support us in all the situations

of our life. So make us worthy to have our petitions heard, at the intercession of our patron, St Willibrord.

Our Father
Hail, Mary
who increased faith in us. Holy Mary
Glory be
Saint Willibrord, advocate of us all, pray for us!

2nd Day

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, in baptism you have called St Willibrord to be our apostle. Even in his earliest years he dedicated himself to you as an oblate. Look down on us and upon our petitions. At the intercession of St Willibrord, give us the strength to endure as your followers.

Our Father	
Hail, Mary	
who has called us to	be his disciples. Holy Mary
Glory be	
Saint Willibrord, advoc	ate of us all, pray for us!

3rd Day

God, the Holy Ghost, you have filled Saint Willibrord with your gifts, the gift of wisdom and of understanding, of good counsel and of fortitude, and the knowledge and the fear of God. Thus should he lead men into the Kingdom of God. At the intercession of St Willibrord, give us also these gifts, and fulfil our requests in accordance with God's will.

Our Father
Hail, Mary
who sent the Holy Ghost to us. Holy Mary
Glory be
Saint Willibrord, advocate of us all, pray for us!

4th Day

Saint Willibrord! You dedicated yourself to God, even in your youth. Following the example of holy Benedict, you wanted to belong entirely to God, but in this devotion to be always available to men.

Intercede for us in our special requests, and pray especially that we entrust ourselves to our Father, and accept from His hand whatever he may send us, for His glory and the salvation of mankind.

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Our Father
Hail, Mary
whose care it was to fulfill the will of the Father. Holy Mary
Glory be
Saint Willibrord, advocate of us all, pray for us!

5th Day

Saint Willibrord! Your love of Jesus led you to follow the example of many of your countrymen. You wanted to proclaim Good News, so that men, through belief in Jesus, might become as happy as you were.

Help us to grow in the true love of God, so that our life may become a

witness for Him. Pray that God's fatherly goodness may give favorable hearing to our requests.

Our Father...........

Hail, Mary......
....that he may inflame his love in us. Holy Mary.......
Glory be......
Saint Willibrord, advocate of us all, pray for us!

6th Day

Saint Willibrord! Your life as a missionary has also led you to us. By proclaiming the Good News, you founded here the belief in the triune God. Pray that we may have a living faith, which places our complete trust in God and gives witness for him in our lives. In this confidence we place ourselves and our petitions in the hands of the Father.

Our Father
Hail, Mary
that he may give us a joyful and lively faith. Holy Mary
Glory be
Saint Willihrord, advocate of us all, pray for usl

7th Day

Saint Willibrord! In following Christ, you were not spared the cross. When your missionary work collapsed, you did not faint-heartedly surrender, but you endured the way of the cross in your life.