

There are tiny Forget-Me-Nots of prettiest blue, Daisies that stand like soldiers and Buttercups that smile in the sun.

More beautiful than Solomon's royal splendor are the Lilies of the Valley and Bluebells ring like an angel's song.

Come into this garden of my heart dear Jesus! I have worked very hard to make it just for You.

Mother Mary and good Saint Joseph have helped me make it beautiful.

Come to my heart dearest Jesus! Come tomorrow and each time I receive You in Holy Communion!

Dear Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, pray for me tomorrow, in a special way, as I receive Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion.

Pray for me that I may always receive Him with a beautiful heart.

I love you Jesus!



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## ***NOVENA IN PREPARATION FOR MY FIRST HOLY COMMUNION***



**COMMUNION QUOTIDIENNE**

Qu'il est bon Jésus qui se donne !  
Que demande-t-il en retour ?  
Se donner à moi chaque jour !  
A Jésus si bon je me donne !

***COME TO MY HEART DEAREST JESUS!  
COME EACH TIME I RECEIVE YOU IN HOLY COMMUNION!***

## Novena

The word Novena derives its 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 in Preparation for My First Holy Communion

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#### My Novena to Welcome Jesus

In only ten days I will receive Jesus for the first time. I can hardly wait! I must get myself ready. I must make my heart ready for Jesus to come in. I will make my heart a beautiful garden. I will fill it with flowers to please Him. When He comes into my heart He will be very happy. He will see how much I love Him. I will work very hard to make many flowers for Jesus. Holy Guardian Angel, help me to do my best each day.

#### Day One



In only nine days, You, Jesus, will visit the garden of my heart. The flowers I will make today for the garden in my heart are **Red Roses**. I will make them by being kind to others.

Dear Jesus,

When You were a child like me, You were always kind to everyone. I want to be kind to others just like You. Today I will try very hard to be kind to everyone, at home, at school, and at play. I will try to be just like You Jesus. Each time I do something kind for someone, it will be a pretty Red Rose for the garden of my heart. I hope You will like my Red Roses Jesus, when you come to the garden of my heart through Holy Communion.

Dear Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, please help me to be kind to others today.

Dear Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, please help me to stay away from sin today.

#### Day Nine



In only one day, You, Jesus, will visit the garden of my heart.

The flowers I will make today for the garden in my heart are **Pansies**. I will make them by thinking of Jesus.

Dear Jesus,

When You were a child like me, You were always thinking about God. I want to stay away from every sin. I want to stay far away from every kind of sin, just like You. Today I will try very hard to remember You at home, at school, and at play. I will try to be just like You Jesus. Each time I think of You, it will be a pretty Pansy for the garden of my heart. I hope You will like my Pansies Jesus, when you come to the garden of my heart through Holy Communion.

Dear Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, please help me to think about Jesus many times today.

#### My Novena is Finished

Dear Jesus,

Now my heart is a beautiful little garden with the many flowers that I have made. I hope you are very pleased with it Jesus, I have made it just for You. At the gate are Red Roses to greet You, and tall white Lilies stand in a row. Soft little Pansies and Violets will make You very glad.

## Day Seven



In only three days, You, Jesus, will visit the garden of my heart.

The flowers I will make today for the garden in my heart are **Buttercups**. I will make them by being diligent.

Dear Jesus,  
When You were a child like me, You worked and studied very hard. I want to be diligent just like You. Today I will try to complete my responsibilities at home, at school, and at play. I will try to be just like You Jesus. Each time I live up to my responsibilities, it will be a pretty Buttercup for the garden of my heart. I hope You will like my Buttercups Jesus, when you come to the garden of my heart through Holy Communion.

Dear Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, please help me to be diligent today.

## Day Eight



In only two days, You, Jesus, will visit the garden of my heart.

The flowers I will make today for the garden in my heart are **Lilies**. I will make them by keeping away from sin.

Dear Jesus,  
When You were a child like me, You were always sure to stay away from sin. I want to stay far away from every kind of sin, just like You. Today I will try to stay away from sin at home, at school, and at play. I will try to be just like You Jesus. Each time I avoid a sin, it will be a pretty Lily for the garden of my heart. I hope You will like my Lilies Jesus, when you come to the garden of my heart through Holy Communion.

## Day Two



In only eight days, You, Jesus, will visit the garden of my heart.

The flowers I will make today for the garden in my heart are **Violets**. I will make them by not getting angry.

Dear Jesus,  
When You were a child like me, You were always very gentle and did not get angry. I want to be gentle just like You were. Today I will try very hard to not get angry at home, at school, and at play.

I will try to be just like You Jesus. Each time I keep from getting angry, it will be a pretty Violet for the garden of my heart. I hope You will like my Blue Violets Jesus, when you come to the garden of my heart through Holy Communion.

Dear Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, please help me to be kind to others today.

## Day Three



In only seven days, You, Jesus, will visit the garden of my heart.

The flowers I will make today for the garden in my heart are **Forget-Me-Nots**. I will make them by visiting Jesus.

Dear Jesus,  
When You were a child like me, You loved to visit God Your Father in the temple. I want to make visits to You because I love you so much. Today I will try to visit You, in my heart at least, if I can not visit You in church. I will try to be just like

You Jesus. When I visit You, it will be a very special Forget-Me-Not for the garden of my heart. I hope You will like my Forget-Me-Nots Jesus, when you come to the garden of my heart through Holy Communion.

Dear Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, please help me to visit Jesus today.

### Day Four



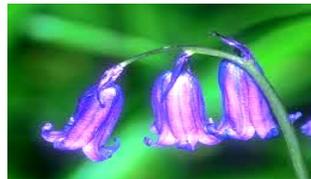
In only six days, You, Jesus, will visit the garden of my heart.

The flowers I will make today for the garden in my heart are **Lilies of the Valley**. I will make them by thinking of others.

Dear Jesus,  
When You were a child like me, You were never selfish. I want to share with others just like You. Today I will try very hard to be considerate of others at home, at school, and at play. I will try to be just like You Jesus. Each time I share, or think about someone before myself, it will be a pretty Lily of the Valley for the garden of my heart. I hope You will like my Lilies of the Valley Jesus, when you come to the garden of my heart through Holy Communion.

Dear Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, please help me to think of others today.

### Day Five



In only five days, You, Jesus, will visit the garden of my heart.

The flowers I will make today for the garden in my heart are **Bluebells**. I will make them by being cheerful.

Dear Jesus,

When You were a child like me, You were never mean or grumpy. I want to be happy and cheerful just like You. Today I will try very hard to be cheerful at home, at school, and at play. I will try to be just like You Jesus. Each time I smile and laugh, it will be a pretty Bluebell for the garden of my heart. I hope You will like my Bluebells Jesus, when you come to the garden of my heart through Holy Communion.

Dear Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, please help me to be cheerful today.

### Day Six



In only four days, You, Jesus, will visit the garden of my heart.

The flowers I will make today for the garden in my heart are **Daisies**. I will make them by being obedient.

Dear Jesus,  
When You were a child like me, You were always very obedient. I want to do what I'm told just like You. Today I will try to obey at home, at school, and at play. I will to be just like You Jesus. Each time I do what I'm told, it will be a pretty Daisy for the garden of my heart. I hope You will like my Daisies Jesus, when you come to the garden of my heart through Holy Communion.

Dear Mother Mary and Saint Joseph, please help me to be obedient today.