

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Novena was written as a heartfelt response to the increased exploitation of the innocence and vulnerability of children in North America and around the world. In North America the production and demand of child pornography is on the increase and has become a huge lucrative industry. For a good person, the thought of children as young as newborn, photographed while being sexually abused is difficult to fathom. However, these are real children in desperate situations of helplessness and their only hope is the concern and vigilance of good people. The question remains, "What can I do"? The first and foremost order of defense for these children is **prayer**. The second order of defense is your **vigilance, voice** and... **action** to aid in the protection of those precious little ones in our midst.

Believe that the Lord implores intercessory prayer and action for the protection of the innocence of children in our own country and in remote lands. It is indeed our Christian duty.

**These are truly effective acts of mercy when we respond with love to a call for prayer and action.**

Please offer this Novena to the Holy Innocents who were slaughtered en masse by the order of King Herod in his attempt to kill the Messiah. (Matthew 2:16-18)

This petition to the Father, through the merits of these little martyrs, combined with your sacrifices and Christian action where possible, will be of great help to children who are being so hideously exploited. Please pray it with great faith and hope in God's redeeming grace. Bishop of Alberta, Canada

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## **NOVENA TO THE HOLY INNOCENTS - FEAST DAY DEC. 28TH**

**DEC. 19TH—27TH**



**NOVENA FOR THE PROTECTION  
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O Holy Innocents

In the name of Jesus, for whom your blood was shed,  
pray for exploited and abused children.

O Holy Innocents

who, for the sake of the Christ Child,

Your sacrifice was offered,

intercede for the captive and suffering children

O Holy Innocents

whose blood was sanctified by the precious

blood of the Savior,

preserve the purity and innocence of children

and be their help and comfort.

Heavenly Father,

I ask that you look with great mercy upon  
the peril of innocent children being violated in the world  
and deliver them from every evil.

I beg your mercy through the sacrifice of  
the Holy Innocents and through  
the sacrificial love of your beloved Son,  
our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

(One Our Father, Three Hail Mary's, One Glory Be)

***This Novena is to be prayed for nine consecutive days from  
December 19th to 27th,  
(day before the Feast of the Holy Innocents)  
(or at anytime)***

