

Let us pray.

Grant we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we who are afflicted by the burden of discord may by the glorious intercession of thy Abbess, the Virgin Hilda, who through the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit was instrumental in unifying thy Church in England, be brought to the safe harbor of unity and peace and delivered from all adversities and attain to everlasting salvation, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord and God.

R. Amen

Benedictine abbess, baptized by St. Paulinus. She was the daughter of a king of Northumbria, England, and is considered one of England's greatest women. At age thirty three Hilda entered Chelles Monastery in France, where her sister was a nun. At the request of St. Aidan, she returned to Northumbria and became abbess of Hartlepool.

In time she became the head of the double monastery of Streaneschalch, at Whitby. She trained five bishops, convened the Council of Whitby, and encouraged the poet Caedmon.

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NOVENA TO SAINT HILDA OF WHITBY

Recited from: November 8th through November 16th

Feast Day: November 17th



Patron saint of learning and culture, including poetry

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.

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**V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray:

O almighty God who in thy unspeakable providence didst choose Blessed Hilda to be thy instrument in bringing together diverse elements, that where there was discord and division her labors brought harmony and unity, grant we beseech thee that she, whom we venerate as our patroness, may be our intercessor in Heaven. Amen.

V. Lord have mercy upon us.
R. Christ have mercy upon us.
V. Lord have mercy upon us; Christ hear us.
R. Christ graciously hear us.
V. God the Father of Heaven.
R. have mercy upon us.
V. God the Son Redeemer of the world.
R. have mercy upon us.
V. God the Holy Ghost.
R. have mercy upon us.
V. Holy Trinity, One God.
R. have mercy upon us.
V. Holy Mary.
R. Pray for us.
V. Holy Mother of God.
R. Pray for us.
V. Mother of Christ.
R. Pray for us.
V. Holy Virgin of Virgins.
R. Pray for us.

V. Mother of good counsel.
R. Pray for us.
V. Queen of Virgins.
R. Pray for us.
V. Saint Hilda.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda most prudent.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda most renowned.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda faithful Virgin.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda just leader of her flock.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda venerable counselor.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda comforter of those in need.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda honored by her peers.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda Chaste vessel of unity.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda courageous in time of distress.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda obedient to the Holy Rule.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda patient in time of affliction.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda laborer for harmony.
R. Pray for us.
V. Hilda filled with love of Holy Church.
R. Pray for us.

V. Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world.
R. Spare us O Lord.
V. Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world.
R. Graciously hear us O Lord.
V. Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world.
R. Have mercy upon us.
V. He hath made her mistress of His house.
R. And ruler of all His possessions.

**V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.**