

**You can start this Election Novena either on Sunday, October 30th
or
Monday, October 31st**

Election Novena Prayers

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Day 1: St. Jude, Patron of impossible causes, join us in praying for this election and these intentions: [State your intentions here.]

Day 2: St. Frances Cabrini, you who tirelessly built the Kingdom of God in America, join us in praying for this election and these intentions: [State your intentions here.]

Day 3: St. Thomas More, martyred for your uncompromising faith, join us in praying for this election and these intentions: [State your intentions here.]

Day 4: St. Jose Sanchez del Rio, martyred for your child-like, yet fearless faith in Christ the King, join us in praying for this election and these intentions: [State your intentions here.]

Day 5: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, who fled to Canada in order to freely practice your faith, join us in praying for this election and these intentions: [State your intentions here.]

Day 6: St. Damien de Veuster of Molokai, selfless servant of the lepers of Hawaii, join us in praying for this election and these intentions: [State your intentions here.]

Day 7: St. John Neumann, Founder of the diocesan Catholic school system in America, join us in praying for this election and these intentions: [State your intentions here.]

Day 8: St. Rita, Patroness of hopeless causes, join us in praying for this election and these intentions: [State your intentions here.]

Day 9: Mother Mary, Patroness of the Americas, join us in praying for this election and these intentions: [State your intentions here.]

Daily Prayer

Dear Lord,

In many ways we feel hopeless about this election.

Please instill in the hearts of the American people that our only true hope is in Jesus! Help us remember that political power can never replace the mission of the Church to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Lord, help us to form our consciences according to the Gospel so that we may both vote and act for the Kingdom of God.

Give us the courage to stand up for the weakest members of society. The poor, the weak, the unborn, the dying. Give us the courage to re-examine our political loyalties and to be first a faithful follower of Jesus before we follow any political ideology.

For our own votes, help us to cast them in a way that is pleasing to You. Help us to do it with a well formed conscience.

For these elections, O God, please bless us with the best rulers possible at all levels of government.

Finally, just as You brought our salvation from the horrible death of Your Son, we pray that from the political campaigns of this world, You will bring about great good for Your people.

Amen.