

WHAT IS REQUIRED TO FULFIL OUR LADY'S GREAT PROMISE?

Each part of the devotion below should be made *in a spirit of reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary*, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months:

1. **Go to confession:** The Child Jesus told Lucia that you can go to confession within eight days or even later, provided that when you receive Him, you are in a state of grace and intend to make reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

2. **Receive Holy Communion:** The Communion of reparation must be sacramental and must be made during the twenty-four hours of the first Saturday or, for justifiable reasons, on the Sunday following the first Saturday.

3. **Recite five decades of the Rosary:** In his Apostolic Letter on the Rosary, John Paul II says the mysteries "put us in living communion with Jesus through - we might say - the heart of His Mother". The Rosary confers "abundant grace", it offers a fruitful opportunity for the new evangelisation, and will counter the forces which threaten the family (*Rosarium Virginis Mariae*, 2, 3, 6).

4. **Meditate on the mysteries for fifteen minutes:** "Without contemplation, the Rosary is a body without a soul", wrote Pope Paul VI. In the Rosary, "Mary constantly sets before the faithful the mysteries of her Son", so that by contemplation "they will release all their saving power". The Rosary is a compendium of the Gospel in which, in union with Mary, we "learn from her to 'read' Christ, to discover His secrets and to understand His message" (*Rosarium Virginis Mariae*, 1, 11, 14).

WHY ON FIVE SATURDAYS?

Our Lord revealed to Sr Lucia that the devotion was in reparation for the five offences and blasphemies against Our Lady: blasphemies against the Immaculate Conception, against Mary's virginity, against her Divine Maternity, and by those who seek to alienate children from her; and reparation for those who outrage Our Lady in her sacred images.

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Closing Prayers

Litany of Our Lady of Fatima

Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for our dear country.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *sanctify our clergy.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *make our Catholics more fervent.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *guide and inspire those who govern us.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *cure the sick who confide in thee.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *console the sorrowful who trust in thee.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *help those who invoke your aid.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *deliver us from all dangers.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *help us to resist temptation.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *obtain for us all that we lovingly ask of thee.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *help those who are dear to us.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *bring back to the right road our erring brothers.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *give us back our ancient fervor.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *obtain pardon for our manifold sins & offenses.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *bring all men to the feet of thy Divine Child.*
Our Lady of Fatima, *obtain peace for the world.*

Act of Reparation for the First Saturdays

O Most Holy Virgin, and Our Mother, we listen with grief to the complaints of your Immaculate Heart surrounded with the thorns placed therein at every moment by the blasphemies and ingratitude of ungrateful humanity. We are moved by the ardent desire of loving you as Our Mother and of promising a true devotion to Your Immaculate Heart.

We therefore kneel before You to manifest the sorrow we feel for the grievances that people cause You, and to atone by our prayers and sacrifices for the offenses with which they return your love. Obtain for them and for us the pardon of so many sins. Hasten the conversion of sinners that they may love Jesus Christ and cease to offend the Lord, already so much offended. Turn you eyes of mercy toward us, that we may love God with all our heart on earth and enjoy Him forever in Heaven.

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"My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge
and the way that will lead you to God".



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The Five First Saturday's Devotion

Our Lady requests the Communion of Reparation on five First Saturdays

At Fatima on 13th July 1917 the three children, Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta, were shown the vision of hell by Our Lady, who then said, so kindly and so sadly:

"You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go. To save them, God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If what I say to you is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace. I shall come to ask for the consecration of Russia to my Immaculate Heart, **and the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturdays**. In the end my Immaculate Heart will triumph. The Holy Father will consecrate Russia to me and she will be converted, and a period of peace will be granted to the world."

On 10th December 1925, the Blessed Virgin appeared again to Lucia, with the Child Jesus. Mary rested her hand on Lucia's shoulder, and showed her a heart encircled by thorns in her other hand. The Child Jesus spoke first:

"Have pity on the Heart of your Most Holy Mother. It is covered with the thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment, and there is no one to make an act of reparation to remove them." Then Mary said:

"My daughter, look at My Heart surrounded with thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. You, at least, try to console me, and say that I promise to assist at the hour of death,

with all the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, shall confess, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me."

The union of Mary's Immaculate Heart with the Sacred Heart of Jesus

This devotion signifies the intimate union of the hearts of Jesus and Mary. "The Immaculate Heart of Mary, opened with the words, 'Woman, behold your Son' (Jn 19:26) is spiritually united with the heart of her Son, opened by the soldier's spear" - Blessed John Paul II, homily at Fatima, 13th May 1982.

In this devotion, Jesus Himself desires reparation for the sins which pierce His Mother's sorrowful heart, the maternal symbol of her merciful love and desire for the salvation of all mankind in Him. If you practice this devotion, Mary promises to come with the "graces necessary for salvation" at the moment of death.

This devotion is also the counterpart, for the Church, of the consecration of Russia by the Pope, fulfilled by Blessed John Paul II on 25th March 1984. Hence, the promised triumph of Mary's Immaculate Heart and the peace of the world, is conditional upon peoples' fulfilment of the Blessed Virgin's request.

The Five First Saturday's Devotional Prayers

Consecration to The Immaculate Heart Of Mary

Virgin Mary, Mother of God and our Mother, to your Immaculate Heart we consecrate ourselves, in an act of total entrustment to the Lord.

By you we will be led to Christ. By Him and with Him we will be led to the Father. We will walk in the light of faith, and we will do everything so that the world may believe that Jesus Christ is the One sent by the Father.

With Him we wish to carry His Love and Salvation to the ends of the earth. Under the protection of your Immaculate Heart, we will be one people with Christ. We will be witnesses of His Resurrection. By Him we will be led to the Father, for the glory of the Most Holy Trinity, Whom we adore, praise and bless forever. Amen.

Prayers of The Angel

My God, I believe, I adore, I trust and I love You! I beg pardon for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not trust and do not love You!

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly, and I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the

tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference by which He is offended. And, through the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners.

Prayers Taught By Our Lady Sacrifice Prayer

"Sacrifice yourselves for sinners, and say many times, especially when you make some sacrifice: O Jesus, it is for love of You, for the conversion of sinners, and in reparation for the sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary."

"When you pray the Rosary, say after each mystery:

Decade Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy."

Now we have 5 three minute meditations on themes from the Rosary, interspersed with 5 decades of the Rosary itself (30 minutes total).