



## How to Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

In 1935 St. Maria Faustina Kowalska started this devotion as a reminder of the message to trust in Jesus' endless mercy & to live life mercifully toward others. Blessed John Paul II established Divine Mercy Sunday for the entire church. It is customary to recite this prayer at 3 p.m., the hour when Jesus died on the cross. The novena said for nine days, starting on Good Friday and ending by receiving Eucharist on the first Sunday after Easter.



Take your rosary, make the Sign of the Cross then pray one Our Father, one Hail Mary & the Apostles' Creed.

### Our Father

Our Father, who art heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy Kingdom come, thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

### Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, mother of God,  
pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

### Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God  
the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living  
and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.



Then, **on the Our Father beads**,  
say the following:

Eternal Father,  
I offer you the Body and Blood,  
Soul and Divinity of your dearly  
beloved Son,  
our Lord Jesus Christ,  
in atonement for our sins  
and those of the whole world.

**On each of the Hail Mary beads**,  
pray the following:

For the sake of his sorrowful  
passion,  
Have mercy on us and on the  
whole world.



When you have recited these prayers  
on all five decades of the rosary, recite  
the following prayer three times:

Holy God,  
Holy Mighty One,  
Holy Immortal One,  
have mercy on us  
and on the whole world.

End with the sign of the cross.



**For further Information:**

Dives in Misericordia (apostolic letter on the mercy of God), Pope John Paul II (1980)

[http://www.vatican.va/holy\\_father/john\\_paul\\_ii/encyclicals/documents/hf\\_jp-ii\\_enc\\_30111980\\_dives-in-misericordia\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/john_paul_ii/encyclicals/documents/hf_jp-ii_enc_30111980_dives-in-misericordia_en.html)

Divine Mercy Novena

<https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/novena-13366>

St. Maria Faustina Kowalska

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/franciscan-spirit-blog/radical-saints-maria-faustina-kowalska>



**The Second Sunday  
of Easter  
is Divine Mercy Sunday**