

# ROSARY NOVENA FOR PEACE IN EASTERN EUROPE AND OTHER WAR-TORN AREAS MAY 4-13, 2022

## Guidelines and Intentions for the Rosary Novena

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, consecrated Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Friday, March 25th, the Feast of the Annunciation. In solidarity with our brothers and sisters who continue to suffer because of violence, aggression, and indifference, we are offering this Rosary Novena, beginning May 4 and culminating with Masses for the Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima on Friday, May 13.

*We invite all parishioners to join in praying the Rosary for 9 days, imploring the Blessed Mother's intercession, and asking the Prince of Peace to bring healing to our world.*

### Novena Prayer (To be said before praying the Rosary)

Mary, Queen of Peace:

Please preserve our world from the madness of war.

Reunite families torn apart.

Comfort frightened children.

Console the sick and elderly who suffer alone.

Shield men and women defending their homes.

Change leaders' hearts to seek peaceful solutions.

We ask all this through your help and intercession, Most Blessed Mother, as you lead and direct us each day into greater love for and obedience to your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

### Prayer Intentions - We Pray For...

#### Day 1 - Wednesday, May 4

...an end to violence perpetuated by harsh words, deadly weapons, or cold indifference; and negotiations to establish peace.

#### Day 2 - Thursday, May 5

...our homes, communities, and nations, to become havens of tranquility and peace.

#### Day 3 - Friday, May 6

... healing and justice for all who have experienced violence, oppression, and discrimination.

#### Day 4 - Saturday, May 7

...the grace to see every human being as a child of God.

#### Day 5 - Sunday, May 8

...the protection of all people impacted by the tragedy of war, civilians, first responders, military personnel, and refugees.

#### Day 6 - Monday, May 9

...our faith community, that we may respond boldly to the Holy Spirit's call to act together to end violence in our world.

#### Day 7 - Tuesday, May 10

...world leaders, that they find ways to bring an end to war and violence, and to promote the peaceful and prosperous development for all nations.

#### Day 8 - Wednesday, May 11

...solidarity within our global human family, that we may work together to protect those who are most vulnerable and in need.

#### Day 9 - Thursday, May 12

...the Lord to make us disciples of His justice, peace, and charity in all we say and do.

## Opportunities to pray your daily Rosary with our community of faith

Friday, May 6 - Following 5:30 pm Mass at St. John's

Monday, May 9 - Following 5:30 pm Mass at St. John's  
*Includes Holy Hour with Rosary, Eucharistic Exposition & Benediction.*

Friday, May 13 - Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima  
*8:30 am Mass at St. Mary's and 5:30 pm Mass at St. John's*

