NOVENA to OUR LADY OF VICTORY

 \mathfrak{A} . In the Name (\mathfrak{P}) of the Father... \mathfrak{R} . Amen.

Prayer to Our Lady, Help of Christians

- I: O Virgin most powerful, loving helper of the Christian people,
- **R**: How great thanks do we not owe thee for the assistance thou didst give our fathers, * who, when they were threatened by the Turkish Infidels at Lepanto, * invoked thy maternal help by the devout recitation of thy Rosary!
- 11: From heaven thou didst see their deadly peril;
- **R:** Thou didst hear the voices imploring thy compassion;
- And their humble prayers, enjoined by the greatPope, St. Pius V, were acceptable unto thee;
- **R**: And thou camest quickly to deliver them.
- (#: Grant, dear Mother, that in like manner the prolonged sighs of the holy Bride of Christ in these our days may come to thy throne and engage thy pity;
- B: Do thou, moved anew to compassion for her,
 * rise once again to deliver her from the many foes who encompass her on every side.
- 1: Even now from the four quarters of the earth there arises to thy throne that loved prayer, the Holy Rosary,
- **R**: To win thy mercy in these troubled times, even as of old. * Yet unhappily our sins hinder, or at least, retard its effect.
- H: Wherefore, dear Mother, obtain for us true sorrow for our sins,
- 3: And a firm resolution to face death itself * rather than return to our former iniquities; * we are sore distressed that through our fault * thy help, of which we stand in such extreme need, * should be denied or come too late.
- Rise, then, O Mary, incline thyself to hear the prayers of the whole Catholic world,



- 3: And beat flat to the ground the pride of those wretched men, * who in their insolence blaspheme Almighty God * and would destroy His Church, * against which, according to the infallible words of Christ, * the gates of hell shall never prevail.
- D: Let it be seen once more,
- **R:** That when thou dost arise to protect the Church, her victory is sure. Amen.
- 1: Blessed Mother, Help of Christians,
- R: Pray for us.

Prayer to Our Lady of the Rosary

- 1: O Queen of the Most Holy Rosary,
- R: In these times of such brazen impiety, * manifest thy power with the signs of thine ancient victories, * and from thy throne, whence thou dost dispense pardon and graces, * mercifully regard the Church of thy Son, * His Vicar on earth, * and every order of clergy and laity who are sore oppressed in the mighty conflict.

- Do thou, who are the powerful vanquisher of all heresies, hasten the hour of mercy,
- B: Even though the hour of God's justice is every day provoked by the countless sins of men. * For me who am the least of men, kneeling before thee in supplication, * do thou obtain the grace I need to live righteously upon earth * and to reign among the just in heaven; * the while in company with all the faithful Christians throughout the world, * I salute thee and acclaim thee as Queen of the Most Holy Rosary.
- 1: Queen of the Most Holy Rosary,
- R: Pray for us.

Prayer to Our Lady of Victory

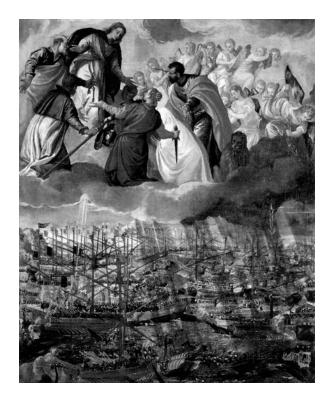
- I: O Mary, powerful Virgin, thou art the mighty and glorious protector of the Church;
- **R**: Thou art the marvelous help of Christians,
- 1: Thou art terrible as an army in battle array;
- **R:** Thou alone hast destroyed every heresy in the whole world.
- In the midst of our anguish, our struggles and our distress,
- **R**: Defend us from the power of the enemy * and at the hour of our death receive our souls in paradise. * Amen.
- (1). Our Lady of Victory, we beseech thy intercession before the throne of thy Son, that (Pause and state your intentions)
- 1. If it be for God's glory and honor and our good.
- R. Amen.

Ħ.	Our Lady of Victory,	ℜ. Pray for us.
P.	St. Michael the Archangel,	R. Pray for us.
Ħ.	St. Jerome,	${ m R}$. Pray for us.
Ħ.	St. Remigius,	ℜ. Pray for us.
Ħ.	Holy Guardian Angels,	$\mathfrak R$. Pray for us.
Ħ.	St. Therese of the Child Jesus,	$\mathfrak R$. Pray for us.
P.	St. Francis of Assisi,	$\mathfrak R$. Pray for us.
Ħ.	St. Placid and Companions,	$\mathfrak R$. Pray for us.
Ħ.	St. Bruno,	R. Pray for us.

-) St. Bridget of Sweden,
- 1. St. Vincent Ferrer, R. Pray for us.

 \mathfrak{R} . Pray for us.

- 1. Our Lady of Fatima, R. Pray for us.
- \mathfrak{A} . Glory be to the Father (†) ...
- \mathfrak{R} . As it was in the beginning...
- \mathfrak{A} . In the Name (\mathfrak{A}) of the Father... \mathfrak{R} . Amen.



Note: On Oct 7, 1571 the Christians won a major naval battle at Lepanto against Turkish invaders. Pope St. Pius V had called on all Christendom to a Rosary Crusade in order to seek Our Lady's intercession. Once the battle was over,, the victory was miraculously revealed to St Pius V, who remained in Rome. That year he declared October 7 to be a universal feast for the Church - Our Lady of Victory. He also inserted the title "Help of Christians" into the Litany of Loreto as an act of praise and thanksgiving to her. Two years later, Pope Gregory XIII changed the feast to Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary.