

that thou art here present ; I adore thee with the most profound humility ; I praise thee, I give thee thanks from the bottom of my heart, because thou hast created me after thine own likeness; because thou hast redeemed me with the precious blood of thine only Son. Behold, O Lord, I offer thee my thoughts, words and actions, and firmly resolve from this moment to bear with patience and resignation, all the crosses and afflictions I may meet with in the course of my life. I consecrate them entirely to the glory of thy name, in union with those of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, that through his infinite merits they may be acceptable to thee. Give them, O Lord, a blessing: may thy divine love animate them: and may they all tend to thy greater glory, and to procure for me a share of that heavenly felicity, which the Seraphic Mother St. Teresa of Jesus this day enjoys.

Holy St. Teresa of Jesus, most pure Virgin, if it be for the glory of God, and to thy honour, that I obtain [N. N.] which is what I desire and beg by performing this Novena; obtain it for me I beseech thee, O holy Virgin, by thy prayers; if not, guide my petition, and beg of him for me, that which is most proper for his glory, and the salvation of my poor immortal soul, which shall soon appear before the awful tribunal of his divine Majesty. Amen.

ANTHEM.

Come, O Holy Teresa, spouse of Christ, receive the crown, which the Lord hath prepared for thee for ever.

Let us Pray.

O Almighty and eternal God, who didst inflame the heart of the seraphic Teresa, with the love of thee, and didst endow her with wonderful fortitude of mind, in the pursuit of perfection through every path of life, and didst moreover by her means illustrate thy church, with many pious and exemplary children. grant I most humbly beseech thee, by her merits and prayers, that we, who like her, put our whole trust in thee, may obtain strength of mind and body to the end that we may love and serve thee, the true fountain of perfection here on earth, and hereafter see and enjoy thee in the kingdom of thy glory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

N. B. Here say Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory, &c. three times.

HYMN.

As Legate sent by God's command,
Teresa quits her native land,
In barbarous soils to sow the seed
Of Christian faith, or else to bleed.
But pains more gentle her attend,
A solter death her life must end;
Seraphic darts must strike her heart,
And she in pangs of love depart.
O Love's true victim! may thy fire
With holy warmth our hearts inspire;
And thy intrusted nations keep
From hell's obscure and burning deep,
To God the Father, and the Son,
And Holy Spirit, three in one.