



Novena before the beatification of our Founder Father
Francis Jordan

**Mother House
Rome, 2021**

Day 1: Trust in the Divine Providence

P1: We pray for Fr. Milton Zonta Superior General and his Council that, following the Salvatorian charism, they might lead us towards Eternity.

P2: We recommend that all superiors, full of wisdom and humility, serve their brothers, the Society, the Church, as Father Founder showed us with his life.

P3: We pray for all leaders and governments, especially in this pandemic time.

Lord, have mercy on us. *Lord...*

Christ, have mercy on us. *Christ...*

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Christ, hear us. *Christ, graciously hear us.*

Compassionate Father in heaven, *have mercy on us.*

Francis Jordan, trusting in divine providence, *intercede for us.*

All: In You, O Lord, I have placed all my hope; I will not be disappointed forever. Lord, I expect everything from You. I hope and trust only in you. You alone are my support, my strength, my hope. To you, O Lord, I am committed. Defend and protect your property!

Day 2: United in Christ

P1: We recommend all the provinces of our Congregation, its pro-provinces and vicariates, every administrative unit, and every community so that, built on the Eucharist, they might be strong in practicing the love that the Divine Saviour teaches us.

P2: We pray for all Christians being the sign of unity and peace of the World.

Mary, Mother of the Saviour, *pray for us.*

Mary, Queen of the Apostles...

St. Joseph, ...

St. Francis of Assisi, ...

All Holy Apostles, ...

All: Rejoice and rejoice, tormented soul, because the Creator of everything lives in you! The King of the angelic choirs comes to you; to you comes God, mighty, almighty. Rejoice and rejoice! You are visited by the King of Virgins. Rejoice and rejoice! The Lord of the angels comes to you. Rejoice and rejoice, tormented soul. You are not visited by an angel or a saint; Cherubim and Seraphim do not come to you. The King and Lord of angels and all saints come to you, King of Cherubim and Seraphim.

Rejoice and rejoice, be glad and shout for joy, because you are not visited by the Lady of virgins, but the Most High, Most Pure, King of virgins, Most Holy, Patient, Most Mighty, Gentle, Doctor of all sufferings, Saviour of the world. Dive into the ocean of your God's love!

Day 3: Listened to the Word of God

P1: We recommend the entire Congregation of the Sisters of the Divine Saviour, Mother General with her Council, all the provinces and communities scattered all over the world. Let, following the example of Bl. Mary of the Apostles spread the Saviour's honour throughout the world.

P2: We pray for the sisterly vocations so that the Salvatorian charism will be nurtured by many women's hearts, pure and generous.

Blessed Mary of the Apostles, *pray for us.*

All angels and saints, ...

Francis Jordan, Servant of God, *intercede for us.*

Francis Jordan, imbued with love for Christ, ...

All: O immeasurable greatness and omnipotence of God! Give me such strong faith and such great trust that a man can have only in you and from you! I recognize my nothingness, but in You, O Lord, I can do anything. Live in me; kill me and live you! Let everything that interferes with your action die in me, as you want it to.

Day 4: Temple of the Holy Spirit

P1: In our prayer, we recommend the International Community of the Divine Saviour and their mission of reaching all places with the Good News about Jesus.

P2: We entrust to you all laypeople so that drawing strength from the sacrament of baptism, they may strive more and more for their own salvation.

P3: We entrust all our Salvatorian collaborators and benefactors so that, in cooperation with us, they may discover the beauty of Christ and His Church.

P4: We give to those who have been harmed by our ministry. Please forgive us and strengthen our faith in them, so that our human weaknesses do not extinguish the flame of Your love in them.

Francis Jordan, filled with the fire of the Holy Spirit, *intercede for us.*

Francis Jordan, advocate of lay action, ...

Francis Jordan, devoted to Mary, Mother of God, ...

Francis Jordan, faithful to the Church, ...

Francis Jordan, instrument in God's hands, ...

All: Holy Spirit of God, thanks to you God's love is poured into our hearts when we are open to You. You fill us with faith, hope, and love; You give us your gifts. Give us inner peace so that we receive your light and inspiration. Give the grace of obedience so that we can be guided by you. Grant us courage when we are deprived of joy and consolation; light our hearts with the fire of your love. You who live and work with the Father and the Son now and forever.

Day 5: United with God in prayer

P1: In our prayer, we recommend every person who was delighted with the figure of our Founder and the gift given to him by the Holy Spirit

P2: We pray for every Salvatorian sister, every brother, priest, lay Salvatorian - that our testimony would be a clear sign that there is no salvation in any other, as in Jesus Christ

P3: We ask that we might be people of fervent prayer, and thus also teachers of prayer for others. We pray for our fathers, mothers, grandmothers, and grandfathers.

Francis Jordan, Founder of Salvatorians, *intercede for us.*

Francis Jordan, yearning for the salvation of all, ...

Francis Jordan, apostolic missionary, ...

Francis Jordan, Herold of the Gospel, ...

All: God, our Father, your Son taught his disciples to pray. According to His promise, we will be heard when we ask for the Holy Spirit. Grant us the grace of constant prayer. Make us respond to Your love with faith and trust and let us fulfill Your will with joy. Make our prayers and our whole lives a hymn of praise to Your majesty. Thanks and praise to you through Christ our Lord.

Day 6: As apostles in the service of the Saviour of the World

P1: We recommend all members of the Society who recognize their vocation.

P2: We also recommend all formators who accompany young people on their way to perpetual vows and ordination.

P3: We also recommend each apostolate, thanks to which people progress on the way of getting to know and love Jesus.

P4: We pray that we will be attentive and close to those who suffer.

Francis Jordan, promoter of the Catholic press, *intercede for us.*

Francis Jordan, fostering the faith of youth, ...

Francis Jordan, calling all to be apostles, ...

All: Lord Jesus Christ, you have sent your disciples into the whole world as witnesses of the Gospel. You blessed them and promised them that you would be with them until the end of the world. Full of gratitude for the grace of faith that you have bestowed on each of us, we ask you: make us, by the power of your Spirit, fervent apostles. Help us to win others for you through the testimony of love and joy, and through prayer and suffering. Be praised and glorified now and always.

Day 7: Following the Crucified Christ

P1: We pray for the pastoral care of sufferings, marginalised, and refugee. Those who are struggling with covid, with loneliness, those not having a job.

P2: We ask for all who work in ministry in prison, refugee camps, on streets.

P3: We humbly ask people for hope and trust in the Divine Providence.

P4: We pray for people being used and taken advantage of by others. We are praying for those who are suffering alone and seemed forgotten.

Francis Jordan, aspiring to holiness, *intercede for us.*

Francis Jordan, strengthened by the daily Eucharist, ...

Francis Jordan, constant in prayer, ...

Francis Jordan, full of confidence in God, ...

Francis Jordan, imitating the saints, ...

All: Lord Jesus Christ, You loved us to the end. You are hung on the tree of the cross so that you can draw everyone to you. Blood and water flowed from your open heart. Thank you for inviting us to draw from you, the source of living water. Grant the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth and love to all of us, so that we may love you with all our heart, and in you also our neighbours. To you, together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, be thanks and glory forever.

Day 8: On the way to holiness on the foundation of humility

P1: We pray for the joy of being with others and helping others as instruments of God.

P2: We pray for all who are struggling with their vocations.

Francis Jordan, living in the shadow of the Cross, *intercede for us.*

Francis Jordan, begging for the guidance and strength, ...

Francis Jordan, faithful to the will of God, ...

Francis Jordan, courageously enduring suffering, ...

All: Lord Jesus Christ, You loved us to the end. You are hung on the tree of the cross so that you can draw everyone to you. Blood and water flowed from your open heart. Thank you for inviting us to draw from you, the source of living water. Grant the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth and love to all of us, so that we may love you with all our heart, and in you also our neighbours. To you, together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, be thanks and glory forever.

Day 9: Under the protection of Mary, Mother of the Saviour and Queen of Apostles

P1: We pray for our community, each of its members.

P2: We entrust to you the changes taking place in our community.

P3: We entrust the beatification celebration, those who are coming and those who will be attending via mass media.

Blessed Mary of the Apostles, *intercede for us.*

Francis Jordan, grateful for graces and blessings, ...

Francis Jordan, simple, humble, and patient, ...

Francis Jordan, lover of the poor, ...

Francis Jordan, man of peace, ...

All: Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world! You are constantly calling people who, like the apostles, devote themselves completely and completely to the purpose that many may find salvation in you.

In the person of Francis Jordan, you raised up such a zealous and faithful servant for the apostolic mission. Through the intercession of the Queen of Apostles, we ask you: give us, like your servant Francis, an unshakable trust in your loving guidance, apostolic zeal for your Kingdom, selfless dedication to the service of brothers and sisters, and the courage to follow you also in carrying the cross. Who live and reign forever and ever.