Priest/Leader: Let us pray,

O God, whose only-begotten Son has appeared in the substance of our flesh; grant, we beg You, that through Him, whom we acknowledge to have been outwardly like us, we may deserve to be renewed in our inward selves. Who lives and reigns with You for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Alternate Novena to the Infant of Prague

(This Novena may be said at the same time every hour for Nine consecutive hours in just one day)

O Jesus, Who hast said, ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened to you, through the intercession of Mary, Thy Most Holy Mother, I knock, I seek, I ask that my prayer be granted.

(Make your request)

O Jesus, Who hast said, all that you ask of the Father in My Name, He will grant you. Through the intercession of Mary, Thy Most Holy Mother, I humbly and urgently ask Thy Father in Thy Name that my prayer be granted.

(Make your request)

O Jesus, Who hast said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away but My Word shall not pass", through the intercession of Mary, Thy Most Holy Mother, I feel confident that my prayer will be granted.

(Make your request)



Novena to the Infant of Prague

The Prayer

All: Dearest Jesus, tenderly loving us, Your greatest joy is to dwell among us and to bestow Your blessing upon us! Though I am not worthy that You should behold me with love, I feel myself drawn to You, O dear Infant Jesus, because You gladly pardon me and exercise Your almighty power over me. So many who turned with confidence to You have received graces and had their petitions granted. Behold me, in spirit I kneel before Your miraculous image and lay open my heart to You, with its prayers, petitions and hopes. Especially (State your intentions here...) which I enclose in Your loving Heart. Govern me and do with me and mine according to Your holy will, for I know that in Your Divine wisdom and love You will ordain everything for the best. Almighty gracious Infant Jesus, do not withdraw Your hand from us, but protect and bless us forever. I pray You, sweetest Infant, in the name of Your Blessed Mother Mary who cared for You with such tenderness and by the great reverence with which St. Joseph carried You in his arms, comfort me and make me happy that I may bless and thank You forever from all my heart. Amen.

The Novena

<u>All</u>: Eternal Father, I offer to Your honor and glory, for my eternal salvation and for the salvation of the whole world, the mystery of the birth of our Divine Redeemer.

Priest/Leader: Glory be...

All: As it was...

All: Eternal Father, I offer to Your honor and glory, and for my eternal salvation and that of the whole world, the sufferings of the most holy Virgin and St. Joseph on that long and weary journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem, and the anguish of their hearts at not finding a place of shelter when the Savior of the world was about to be born. Priest/Leader: Glory be...

<u>All</u>: As it was...

<u>All</u>: Eternal Father, I offer to Your honor and glory, and for my eternal salvation and that of the whole world, the sufferings of Jesus in the manger where He was born, the cold He suffered, the tears He shed and His tender infant cries.

Priest/Leader: Glory be...

<u>All</u>: As it was...

All: Eternal Father, I offer to Your honor and glory, and for my eternal salvation and that of the whole world, the pain which the Divine Child Jesus felt in His tender Body when He submitted to the rite of circumcision: I offer You that Precious Blood which He then first shed for the salvation of all mankind.

Priest/Leader: Glory be...

<u>All</u>: As it was...

<u>All</u>: Eternal Father, I offer to Your honor and glory, and for my eternal salvation and that of the whole world, the humility, mortification, patience, charity and all the virtues of the Child Jesus; I thank You, I love You, and I bless You tenderly for this ineffable mystery of the Incarnation of the Word of God.

Priest/Leader: Glory be...

<u>All</u>: As it was...

Priest/Leader: The Word was made Flesh,

All: And dwelt among us.