



A Novena
celebrating the Feast Day
of
St. John Vianney

A celebration of communal (*or private*) prayer by the parish family of St. John Vianney, Kailua, Hawai‘i

Opening Prayer to Saint John Vianney:

**All: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

*All: O Father of all goodness,
in Saint John Vianney you gave us a priest, a servant-leader and
a witness to your abundant mercy towards all people.*

*By Saint John’s intercession may we, too, be filled with the spiritual zeal to
heal and to reconcile, and to proclaim
by our lives the power and peace of God’s love for all.*

*May our patron Saint John Vianney pray for us, too, that we be blessed,
delivered from all dangers and healed in body, mind, and soul.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord, Amen.*

(Continue to next page for each daily prayer)

DAY ONE (July 27, Thursday) *(Start with the Opening Prayer to Saint John Vianney)*

Scripture reflection: Matthew 18:2-4 *(reader:)* He called a little child to Him and placed the child among them. And He said: “Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. *(Pause for reflection)*

Responsory: Teach us to be humble, and to see with a child’s heart the great deeds of God around us. Give us the grace to imitate the humility of St. John Vianney. Holy Priest of Ars, we have confidence in your intercession. Pray for us during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

(Together:) **Our Father..... | Hail Mary,..... | Glory be.....**
(In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit) All: Amen.*
♪ *(Conclude with the hymn to St. John Vianney at the end of this booklet)*

DAY TWO (July 28, Friday) *(Start with the Opening Prayer to Saint John Vianney)*

Scripture reflection: 1 John 1:9 *(reader:)* If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. *(Pause for reflection)*

Responsory: Help us to celebrate confession and the sacrament of penance frequently, so as to become closer to Christ’s image. May we never fail to trust in the grace of that sacrament so pastorally shared by St. John Vianney’s patience in the confessional. Holy Priest of Ars, we have confidence in your intercession. Pray for us during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

(Together:) **Our Father..... | Hail Mary,..... | Glory be.....**
(In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit) All: Amen.*
♪ *(Conclude with the hymn to St. John Vianney at the end of this booklet)*

DAY THREE (July 29, Saturday) *(Start with the Opening Prayer to Saint John Vianney)*

Scripture reflection: 1 Peter 2:9 *(reader:)* But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light. *(Pause for reflection)*

Responsory: As we embrace our own baptismal priesthood, we pray that you send shepherds to lead your flock. Like our saintly patron of parish priests, a shepherd modeled after the Good Shepherd himself. Holy Priest of Ars, we have confidence in your intercession. Pray for us during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

(Together:) **Our Father..... | Hail Mary,..... | Glory be.....**
(In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit) All: Amen.*
♪ *(Conclude with the hymn to St. John Vianney at the end of this booklet)*

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DAY FOUR (July 30, Sunday) *(Start with the Opening Prayer to Saint John Vianney)*

Scripture reflection: Ephesians 4:31–32 *(reader:)* Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. *(Pause for reflection)*

Responsory: May we forgive one another from our hearts and together find the true path of peace. May we never fail to imitate the gentleness of St. John Vianney who taught Christ-like forgiveness at all times.

Holy Priest of Ars, we have confidence in your intercession. Pray for us during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

(Together:) **Our Father..... | Hail Mary,..... | Glory be.....**

(: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit)* **All: Amen.**

♪ *(Conclude with the hymn to St. John Vianney at the end of this booklet)*

DAY FIVE (July 31, Monday) *(Start with the Opening Prayer to Saint John Vianney)*

Scripture reflection: Philippians 4:6. *(reader:)* Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. *(Pause for reflection)*

Responsory: May we always place our trust in God to save us from the ravages of disease. May we imitate our saintly patron's commitment to abundant prayer and quiet contemplation.

Holy Priest of Ars, we have confidence in your intercession. Pray for us during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

(Together:) **Our Father..... | Hail Mary,..... | Glory be.....**

(: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit)* **All: Amen.**

♪ *(Conclude with the hymn to St. John Vianney at the end of this booklet)*

DAY SIX (August 1, Tuesday) *(Start with the Opening Prayer to Saint John Vianney)*

Scripture reflection: 2 Timothy 2:22 *(reader:)* Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. *(Pause for reflection)*

Responsory: May we be graced with the spiritual strength to conquer our sins, resist temptation and live with pureness of heart. Just as St. John Vianney highly prized purity of heart and led others to purity by deed and example.

Holy Priest of Ars, we have confidence in your intercession. Pray for us during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

(Together:) **Our Father..... | Hail Mary,..... | Glory be.....**

(: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit)* **All: Amen.**

♪ *(Conclude with the hymn to St. John Vianney at the end of this booklet)*

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DAY SEVEN (August 2, Wednesday) *(Start with the Opening Prayer to Saint John Vianney)*

Scripture reflection: John 3:3-5 (*reader:*) Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God." "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. (*Pause for reflection*)

Responsory: Come, Holy Spirit, make our hearts burn with love. That we be fired with the zeal and enthusiasm of St. John Vianney who rekindled among his flock a vibrant and practical faith. Holy Priest of Ars, we have confidence in your intercession. Pray for us during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

(*Together:*) **Our Father..... | Hail Mary,..... | Glory be.....**

(*: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit) **All: Amen.**

♪ (Conclude with the hymn to St. John Vianney below)

DAY EIGHT (August 3, Thursday) *(Start with the Opening Prayer to Saint John Vianney)*

Scripture reflection: 1 Corinthians 11:26 (*reader:*) For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. (*Pause for reflection*)

Responsory: In flame in us a fervent devotion when we celebrate and receive Eucharist, that we cherish our mystical and real union with Christ. Very much like the fervent love St. John Vianney had for Jesus in the Eucharist at each Mass he celebrated.

Holy Priest of Ars, we have confidence in your intercession. Pray for us during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

(*Together:*) **Our Father..... | Hail Mary,..... | Glory be.....**

(*: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit) **All: Amen.**

♪ (Conclude with the hymn to St. John Vianney below)

DAY NINE (August 4, Friday) *(Start with the Opening Prayer to Saint John Vianney)*

Scripture reflection: Matthew: 5:16 (*reader:*) In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. (*Pause for reflection*)

Responsory: Holy priest of Ars, your coming to that town was like a spiritual avalanche in a time of great persecution and darkness. Pray for us that in our dark time, the light of Christ may shine forth from us and show the way to God's kingdom for all to see.

Holy Priest of Ars, we have confidence in your intercession. Pray for us during this novena especially for ... (mention silently your special intentions).

(*Together:*) **Our Father..... | Hail Mary,..... | Glory be.....**

(*: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit) **All: Amen.**

♪ **Concluding Hymn**

Tune: OLD 100th "Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow"

Saint John Vi-an-ney grace us here; Pray for us all, Oh pa-tron dear! Help
us to im-i-tate Christ's way. May all we do God's love dis-play. A-men.