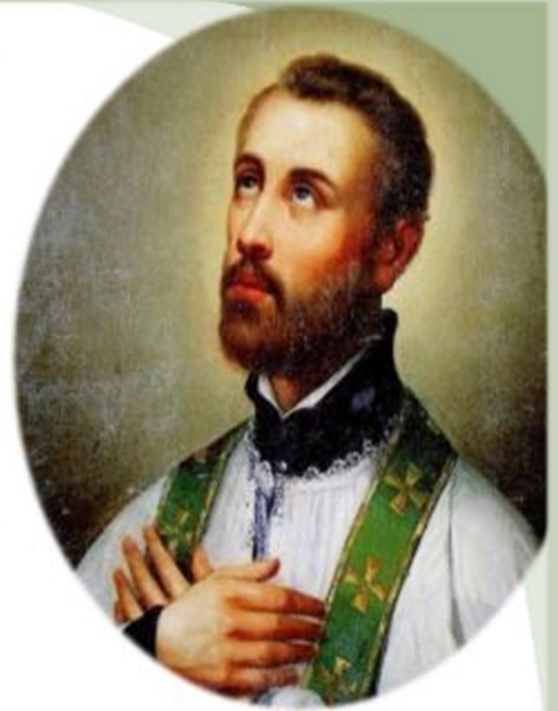


Novena of Grace

Novena to St. Francis Xavier, adapted from EWTN



DAY 8 | MARCH 11

We have come together to worship the Lord our God and to honor the memory of His great missionary, St. Francis Xavier. Through his powerful intercession, let us pray for ourselves, for the missionary efforts of the Church, and for all the People of God.

INTENTION: For God's care and protection for our youth and adults going on Mission & for an increase in missionaries from SJV.

Lord God, our Father, we honor the memory of the Apostle of the Indies and Japan, St. Francis Xavier. The remembrance of the favors with which You blessed him during life and of his glory after death fills us with joy; and we unite with him in offering to You our sincere tribute of thanksgiving and of grace. We ask You to grant us, through his powerful intercession, the inestimable blessings of living and dying in the state of grace. We also ask You to grant us the favors we seek in this novena:

That our Lord guide and direct them as they work, and that they give witness through their words, deeds and actions to the immensity of God's love and mercy. Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.

But if what we ask is not for the glory of God and the good of our souls, grant us, we pray, what is more conducive to both.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.