

**NOVENA in preparation for the FESTIVAL OF LIFE
from July 2 to July 10 2019
“WE ARE WITNESSES” (Act 3:15)**

Day 1- TUESDAY July 2, 2019

-In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

-Song to the Holy Spirit

-I believe in God...

Prayer for the Festival of Life 2019

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waterfall down upon us. Your Spirit gives us the courage to proclaim and the joy to be
witnesses.

Mary, Mother of Cenacolo, pray for us and with us. Amen.

**TODAY WE PRAY for our HOLY FATHER FRANCIS
For the BISHOPS and for all PRIESTS**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Act 3:1-4)

"Now Peter and John were going up to the temple area for the three o'clock hour of prayer and a man crippled from birth was carried and placed at the gate of the temple called "the Beautiful Gate" every day to beg for alms from the people who entered the temple. When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked for alms but Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, 'Look at us.'"

From the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis to the youth

Certainly, as members of the Church, we should not stand apart from others. All should regard us as friends and neighbors, like the apostles, who "enjoyed the good will of all the people" (Acts 2:47; cf. 4:21.33; 5:13). Yet at the same time we must dare to be different, to point to ideals other than those of this world, testifying to the beauty of generosity, service, purity, perseverance, forgiveness, fidelity to our personal vocation, prayer, the pursuit of justice and the common good, love for the poor, and social friendships.

From Mother Elvira's Catechesis

The Lord continues to invite us to His table. He invites all sinners, He invites us. The only true title that we can boast about is our sin. This unites us and makes us brothers: being sinners. How beautiful! A priest told me: "Do you remember that guy you met so many years ago? Today

I am a priest, I am still a sinner, but I am happy.” Do you know what advice I gave him? Try to remain a sinner! Remaining a sinner means needing God's grace. The day we feel different, that we have arrived, we no longer live Jesus' healing. To you priests in love with Christ I say: stay at the foot of the Eucharist because the whole world travels there! If we really want to know the essential reality and be aware of the current problems of the world, we must read them before the Eucharist: Your story and the story of the whole world travels there. I hope that everyone can see your reality as priests of Christ.

Our Father/ 10 Hail Marys/ Glory Be

Prayer to Mary

“Here we are Mary, we are with you!”

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May Jesus Christ be praised/ Now and forever

Final song

Day 2- Wednesday July 3, 2019

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witnesses.

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TODAY WE PRAY FOR MOTHER ELVIRA

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Act 3:5-8)

"He paid attention to them, expecting to receive something from them.

Peter said, "I have neither silver nor gold, but what I do have I give you: in the name of Jesus
Christ the Nazorean, [rise and] walk." Then Peter took him by the right hand and raised him up,
and immediately his feet and ankles grew strong. He leaped up, stood, and walked around, and
went into the temple with them, walking and jumping and praising God."

From the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis to the youth

If in your heart you can learn to appreciate the beauty of this message, if you are willing to
encounter the Lord, if you are willing to let him love you and save you, if you can make friends
with him and start to talk to him, the living Christ, about the realities of your life, then you will
have a profound experience capable of sustaining your entire Christian life. You will also be able
to share that experience with other young people. For "being a Christian is not the result of an
ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new
horizon and a decisive direction".

From Mother Elvira's Catechesis

"I am very happy to be able to tell you that the One who each of you is looking for is running
towards you to meet you and to embrace you. You young people have come here because you
seek and want to see Jesus. You want to meet the light, to know the truth, to believe with all of
your strength that love exists, that friendship can be profound, true, and clean. You want to
know that forgiveness is always possible for everyone. I am here to be an indication for you, a
road sign: those of you who do not have peace, who have no joy, who are confused, who
cannot forgive; take the road to Jesus of Nazareth. He is not an idea, a religion, or a theology to

study and then tell others, but He is a living person who you meet. Our faith is your life that is transformed day after day by meeting Jesus... "

Our Father/ 10 Hail Marys/ Glory Be

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Final song

Day 3- Thursday July 4, 2019

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TODAY WE PRAY FOR ALL OF THOSE WHO WILL BE AT THE FESTIVAL OF LIFE

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Act 3:12-16)

"When Peter saw this, he addressed the people, "You Israelites, why are you amazed at this, and why do you look so intently at us as if we had made him walk by our own power or piety? The God of Abraham, [the God] of Isaac, and [the God] of Jacob, the God of our ancestors, has glorified his servant Jesus whom you handed over and denied in Pilate's presence, when he had decided to release him. You denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses.

And by faith in his name, this man, whom you see and know, his name has made strong, and the faith that comes through it has given him this perfect health, in the presence of all of you."

From the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis to the youth

In these three truths – God loves you; Christ is your Savior; He is alive – we see God the Father and Jesus. Wherever the Father and the Son are, there too is the Holy Spirit. He is the one who quietly opens hearts to receive that message. He keeps alive our hope of salvation, and he will help you grow in joy if you are open to him working in you. The Holy Spirit fills the heart of the risen Christ and then flows over into your lives. When you receive the Spirit, he draws you ever more deeply into the heart of Christ, so that you can grow in his love, his life and his power.

From Mother Elvira's Catechesis

The Holy Spirit is love. Love cannot be seen, but you feel it. It's alive and powerful within you. The Holy Spirit is a real dynamism of life within us: it reminds us of all our needs. This is why the

Holy Spirit is invoked. We must listen to the Holy Spirit because it doesn't make a sound, it is silent; we do not see it physically but we must learn to see it and recognize it in our transformation. We must open our hearts, minds and beings to let the Holy Spirit enter. Our charism is this: The Holy Spirit is transforming our being, our heart and our life "from darkness to light." Thus we become people who welcome the Holy Spirit and give it away. It then becomes a chain, which first starts inside of us and then invades everything around us.

Our Father/ 10 Hail Marys/ Glory Be

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Final song

Day 4- Friday July 5, 2019

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witnesses.

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**TODAY WE PRAY FOR ALL YOUNG PEOPLE AND ALL OF THOSE WE WELCOME IN
OUR COMMUNITY**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Act 4:31)

"As they prayed, the place where they were gathered shook, and they were all filled with the
holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness."

From the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis to the youth

God loves the joy of young people. He wants them especially to share in the joy of fraternal
communion, the sublime joy felt by those who share with others, for "it is more blessed to give
than to receive" (Acts 20:35). "God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Cor 9:7). Fraternal love multiplies
our ability to experience joy, since it makes us rejoice in the good of others: "Rejoice with those
who rejoice, weep with those who weep" (Rom 12:15). May your youthful spontaneity
increasingly find expression in fraternal love and a constant readiness to forgive, to be
generous, and to build community. As an African proverb says: "If you want to go fast, go alone.
If you want to go far, go together". Let us not allow ourselves to be robbed of fraternity.

From Mother Elvira's Catechesis

Those who come to our Community and then come back say that the Community is a sign of
joy. You are these witnesses of joy. You already are, you just have to choose to be. You already
do it: those who see you receive joy. Each of you must choose to be what you already see: you
see joy. Do you want to be a prophet, a messenger, a person of joy? It is very important that
everyone chooses joy. You must seek the true joy that is within you. If you dig a little bit, there is
a person who has shown you infinite love inside of you. It's the love of the Father, the love of
Jesus that has forgiven our sins. This is the joy that remains even if everything collapses and
ends in this world, because Jesus is faithful. His fidelity, His certainty, His presence in our lives
is the source of joy that you must discover. The gift of life is not meant for your selfishness but
it's a gift for others. It's meant to communicate the joy that leads to eternal life. You possess this

joy, it is within you and when people come here they go away with joy. It's not because we gave them things, but because you communicated the joy of eternal life to them. When people go to our communities that live a lively brotherhood, true friendship, deep joy ... they remain open-mouthed, amazed. When people visit the boys ... it's all a wonder, amazing! Every fraternity has a message of joy to communicate. Why? Because it's already in you, you have joy, but today we must also choose it for ourselves. Do we communicate it to others or do we keep it for ourselves? We must choose it for ourselves. Be witnesses of joy, communicate joy, choose joy.

Our Father/ 10 Hail Marys/ Glory Be

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Final song

Day 5- Saturday July 6, 2019

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**TODAY WE PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR MISSION HOUSES, FOR THE CHILDREN, THE
YOUTH AND THE MISSIONARIES**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Act 1:8)

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses
in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

From the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis to the youth

Your spiritual growth is expressed above all by your growth in fraternal, generous and merciful
love. Saint Paul prayed: "May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another
and for all" (1 Thes 3:12). How wonderful it would be to experience this "ecstasy" of coming out
of ourselves and seeking the good of others, even to the sacrifice of our lives.

From Mother Elvira's Catechesis

We are all missionaries because we all have to learn to come out of ourselves to express love.
Until then this "coming out of ourselves" becomes so spontaneous and normal that we want to
help people. We want to make ourselves uncomfortable, to use our intuition, to understand, to
see, to realize before the other one asks us for help. True love precedes us, it gives us
intelligence in doing good, it gives us real life.

Our Father/ 10 Hail Marys/ Glory Be

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Final song

Day 6- Sunday July 7, 2019

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TODAY WE PRAY FOR ALL YOUTH

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Act 2: 42, 46-47)

"They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the
breaking of the bread and to the prayers. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting
together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes. They ate their meals with
exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. And every
day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved."

From the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis to the youth

Finally, there is a third truth, inseparable from the second: Christ is alive! We need to keep
reminding ourselves of this, because we can risk seeing Jesus Christ simply as a fine model
from the distant past, as a memory, as someone who saved us two thousand years ago. But
that would be of no use to us: it would leave us unchanged, it would not set us free. The one
who fills us with his grace, the one who liberates us, transforms us, heals and consoles us is
someone fully alive. He is the Christ, risen from the dead, filled with supernatural life and
energy, and robed in boundless light. That is why Saint Paul could say: "If Christ has not been
raised, your faith is futile" (1 Cor 15:7).

From Mother Elvira's Catechesis

Jesus is alive today among us, within us, this is the experience of our Community. I haven't
come as a "preacher", I wouldn't be capable of this. I came among you young people as a
witness, as one who contemplates, who experiences, who touches the works of Jesus alive
today. I contemplate the continuous miracle of the Eucharist.

The transformation of Jesus in our hearts comes from the Eucharist. It enters into us and we
become the living Eucharist. He wants to serve us in our being, in our gestures, in our hearts, in
our peace, in our lives. He wants us to become His witnesses, but first we must let ourselves be

healed. He wants to heal us and then send us into the world as living witnesses of His life today, of His presence today in history, in the world; Jesus is alive today! "

Our Father/ 10 Hail Marys/ Glory Be

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Final song

Day 7- Monday July 8, 2019

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**TODAY WE PRAY FOR ALL PARENTS, FAMILIES, AND THE FRIENDS OF THE
COMMUNITY**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Act 2: 36-39)

"Therefore let the whole house of Israel know for certain that God has made him both Lord and
Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart,
and they asked Peter and the other apostles, "What are we to do, my brothers?" Peter [said] to
them, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the
forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is made
to you and to your children and to all those far off, whomever the Lord our God will call."

From the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis to the youth

The same Christ who, by his cross, saved us from our sins, today continues to save and
redeem us by the power of his total self-surrender. Look to his cross, cling to him, let him save
you, for "those who accept his offer of salvation are set free from sin, sorrow, inner emptiness
and loneliness". And if you sin and stray far from him, he will come to lift you up by the power of
his cross. Never forget that "he forgives us seventy times seven. Time and time again, he bears
us on his shoulders. No one can strip us of the dignity bestowed upon us by this boundless and
unfailing love. With a tenderness that never disappoints but is always capable of restoring our
joy, he makes it possible for us to lift up our heads and to start anew".

From Mother Elvira's Catechesis

There is a need for new families. If the family is reborn and parents are genuinely converted, the
children will be saved. The Lord calls us to this challenge; our future and that of our children
depends upon it. Who do we want to follow? Who is our Teacher? What does He want from us?
The joy or the sadness of our families, our children, and those who are near to us is totally
dependent upon the response we give to these questions. Yes, we want to be witnesses of this

hope to proclaim to the world that the secret of rebirth is to open our hearts to that marvelous Father who awaits each of us as His most precious sons and daughters.

Our Father/ 10 Hail Marys/ Glory Be

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Final song

Day 8- Tuesday July 9, 2019

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-Song to the Holy Spirit

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**TODAY WE PRAY FOR ALL OF THE" SONS AND DAUGHTERS" OF CENACOLO THAT
HAVE BEEN THROUGH COMMUNITY IN THESE 36 YEARS**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Act 3: 25-26)

"Then someone came in and reported to them, "The men whom you put in prison are in the
temple area and are teaching the people." Then the captain and the court officers went and
brought them in, but without force, because they were afraid of being stoned by the people"

From the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis to the youth

"Where does Jesus send us? There are no borders, no limits: he sends us everywhere. The
Gospel is for everyone, not just for some. It is not only for those who seem closer to us, more
receptive, more welcoming. It is for everyone. Do not be afraid to go and bring Christ into every
area of life, to the fringes of society, even to those who seem farthest away and most indifferent.
The Lord seeks all; he wants everyone to feel the warmth of his mercy and his love". He invites
us to be fearless missionaries wherever we are and in whatever company we find ourselves: in
our neighbourhoods, in school or sports or social life, in volunteer service or in the workplace.
Wherever we are, we always have an opportunity to share the joy of the Gospel. That is how the
Lord goes out to meet everyone. He loves you, dear young people, for you are the means by
which he can spread his light and hope. He is counting on your courage, your boldness and
your enthusiasm.

From Mother Elvira's Catechesis

The Risen Christ gives us the energy and the drive to run and proclaim the victory. Today, who
are those apostles, those "Peters" and "Johns" who go into the world to bring the Good News to
others? Who are those "Magdalenes," forgiven and reconciled with God, who proclaim to
everybody that Jesus is alive? We, baptized Christians, are the "Peters" and the "Magdalenes"!
From simple creatures we become children of God! It is a remarkable event! Heaven comes to
earth to bring about extraordinary things in our hearts that we cannot keep only to ourselves.

We have to share it with others. Too many people still do not know that there is a Savior who came in our midst to bring God's Love and Mercy.
Each day there are thousands of opportunities to give witness and to manifest what the Lord has done for us with a smile, an act of forgiveness, an embrace, an act of service, or a job done for and with love.

Our Father/ 10 Hail Marys/ Glory Be

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Final song

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**TODAY WE PRAY FOR THOSE LOST IN DARKNESS AND FOR ALL OF THOSE WE
DIDN'T KNOW AND WERE NOT ABLE TO HELP**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Act 4:11-12)

"He is 'the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone.' There is no
salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human
race by which we are to be saved."

From the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis to the youth

The very first truth I would tell each of you is this: "God loves you". It makes no difference
whether you have already heard it or not. I want to remind you of it. God loves you. Never doubt
this, whatever may happen to you in life. At every moment, you are infinitely loved.

From Mother Elvira's Catechesis

Having the spirit of poverty means that we are able to recognize that we are poor people, that
we are in need of everything, especially the Lord's grace that fills our hearts. What would our
lives be if Jesus wasn't in it? It would be hopeless, without forgiveness and without joy in our
hearts. The thing we feel the need for is to be forgiven, purified, renewed, washed, refurbished,
put back on our feet. If we look at our lives honestly and we keep track of ourselves, we realize
that there are so many times that we have failed. The surprise is that Jesus does not condemn
us. He welcomes us, forgives us, helps us to start over, He embraces us. We just need to go to
Him with an open and sincere heart. The Lord wants to renew us from within. He wants to
restore strength to us on our journey and let us experience the new life that comes from feeling
loved by Him.

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Prayer to Mary

“Here we are Mary, we are with you!”

Mother of waiting, who seeks with your heart, with your gaze, with your tears your lost children in a world that has abandoned God. We thank you because your love has brought us here to bring life, hope, joy and faith to many young people and to all those who seek truth, forgiveness and peace. We entrust ourselves to you, our most beloved Mother, so that you can educate and form each one of us in listening to the living Word, your son the Risen Jesus, so that one day we will be together in the Kingdom of light and salvation. Here we are Mary, we are with you today and forever! Amen!

Mary, Mother of Cenacolo. Pray for us.

May Jesus Christ be praised/ Now and forever

Final song