

# DIVINE MERCY FOR IRELAND

## Prayer Guide

Praying for Our Country as St. Faustina did for Hers

Selected Passages from the *Diary* of St. Faustina



### Trust and Ask for Much ~

Jesus to St. Faustina: “Let souls who are striving for perfection particularly adore My mercy, because the abundance of graces which I grant them flows from My mercy. I desire that these souls distinguish themselves by boundless trust in My mercy. I myself will attend to the sanctification of such souls. I will provide them with everything they will need to attain sanctity. The graces of My mercy are drawn by means of one vessel only, and that is - trust. The more a soul trusts, the more it will receive. Souls that trust boundlessly are a great comfort to Me, because I pour all the treasures of My grace into them. I rejoice that they ask for much, because it is My desire to give much, very much. On the other hand, I am sad when a soul asks for little, when they narrow their hearts.” (*Diary* of St. Faustina, 1578)

### For the Sake of Innocent Children ~

Once, after an adoration for our country, a pain pierced my soul, and I began to pray in this way:

† “Most merciful Jesus, I beseech You through the intercession of Your Saints, and especially the intercession of Your dearest Mother who nurtured You from childhood, bless my native land. I beg You, Jesus, look not on our sins, but on the tears of little children, on the hunger and cold they suffer. Jesus, for the sake of these innocent ones, grant me the grace that I am asking of You for my country.”

At that moment, I saw the Lord Jesus, His eyes filled with tears, and He said to me, “You see, My daughter, what great compassion I have for them. Know that it is they who uphold the world.” (286)

### Novena of Holy Communions ~

I prayed fervently in my cell. After a short time, I saw the Mother of God, unspeakably beautiful. She said to me,

† “My daughter, what I demand from you is prayer, prayer, and once again prayer, for the world and especially for your country. For nine days receive Holy Communion in atonement and unite yourself closely to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. During these nine days you will stand before God as an offering; always and everywhere, at all times and places, day or night, whenever you wake up, pray in the spirit. In spirit, one can always remain in prayer.” (325) †

### For the Conversion of Sinners ~

“Call upon My mercy on behalf of sinners; I desire their salvation. When you say this prayer, with a contrite heart and with faith on behalf of some sinner, I will give him the grace of conversion:

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of Mercy for us, I Trust in You.” (187)

### The Three O'clock Promise ~

“I remind you, My daughter, that as often as you hear the clock strike the third hour, immerse yourself completely in My mercy, adoring and glorifying it; invoke its omnipotence for the whole world, and particularly for poor sinners; for at that moment mercy was opened wide for every soul. In this hour you can obtain everything for yourself and for others for the asking; it was the hour of grace for the whole world – mercy triumphed over justice.” (1572)

### Novena of the Litany of the Saints ~

On one occasion I heard these words in my soul, “Make a novena for your country. This novena will consist of the recitation of the Litany of the Saints.” I began the novena that very evening. Towards the end of the litany I saw a great radiance and, in the midst of it, God the Father. Between this radiance and the earth I saw Jesus, nailed to the Cross in such a way that when God wanted to look at the earth, He had to look through the wounds of Jesus. And I understood that it was for the sake of Jesus that God blesses the earth. (59, 60)

