

# 54 Day Rosary Novena for Ireland 2015

## IRELAND REQUESTS WORLDWIDE PRAYER FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE SANCTITY OF MARRIAGE



*St. Patrick, Patron of  
Ireland, Pray for us.*

We ask for your Prayers that Ireland as a Nation, will uphold the Sanctity of Marriage between a man and a woman in the upcoming Referendum.

The Irish Government intends to hold a Referendum in May on the issue of legalizing same sex marriage. We, a small group of committed members of the Catholic Church feel that we must turn to Mary, Our Blessed Mother to come



*Our Lady of The Rosary,  
Pray for us.*

to our aid in this our time of great need. At present the opinion polls are showing that the vote for a change in the law on marriage will be carried with up to 80% voting for the Government's proposal.

We are now in the process of contacting as many as possible of our brothers and sisters in Christ across the World. Please join with us in this 54-Day Rosary Novena from St. Patrick's Day until the 9<sup>th</sup> May, for Our Blessed Mother to take all our prayers to the Throne of the Most High.

God willing, if we succeed in getting many to join us in praying for Ireland, we believe all our prayers will be heard and the sanctity of marriage will be protected.

We earnestly ask you to include this Petition in your daily prayer life over the coming weeks.

Yours in Christ,

*Prayer for Ireland 2015 - Team*

**P.S.** Please reply YES to [Prayerforireland2015@gmail.com](mailto:Prayerforireland2015@gmail.com) if you intend to join our World Wide Prayer Petition.

## The 54 Day Rosary Novena

This miraculous 54-day Rosary Novena was given to the world on March 3, 1884 when Our Lady of Pompeii appeared to a gravely ill Italian girl, called Fortuna Agrelli.

We invite you to pray the 54-day Rosary Novena for the following intention:

**"That Ireland as a Nation, will uphold the Sanctity of Marriage between a man and a woman in the upcoming Referendum."**

*Please Turn Over >>>*

# How to make the Rosary Novena:

The rosary novena is made by praying a 5-decade rosary for 54 consecutive days (for this important intention).

✠ The first 27 days are said in Petition, and will commence on **St. Patrick's Day** (Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March) and end on the **Feast of Divine Mercy** (Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April).

✠ The second 27 days are said in thanksgiving, and commence on the Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April, after Divine Mercy Sunday, Day and end on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

Please Note: the Novena of Thanksgiving is prayed even if the answer to your intention was not yet given. In other words, during the second 27 days you are giving thanks that God's will is going to be done. The day-to-day rosary meditations are in accordance with the guidelines set out in the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Mysteries of Light.

As well as the aforementioned points, here are some others to guide you when praying this 54-day Rosary Novena:

- You do not have to pray an extra Rosary, but include this important intention in the rosary you already say, ie. pray the Rosary you normally would and mention this petition each day.
- If possible, offer this intention at daily Mass.
- Join us any time: if you are reading this after the novena has begun, then please feel free to begin the 54-day Rosary Novena at any time.

**WILL YOU PRAY WITH US? We must turn to Mary, Our Blessed Mother to come to our aid in this our time of great need.** Please reply YES to [Prayerforireland2015@gmail.com](mailto:Prayerforireland2015@gmail.com) if you intend to join our World Wide Prayer Petition. ✂

## Calendar Showing 54-day Rosary Novena Period

**Novena Starts: St. Patrick's Day - 17th March**

<b>March</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	15	16	<b>17th</b>	18	19	20	21
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
<b>April</b>	29	30	31	1	2	3	4
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<b>May</b>	26	27	28	29	30	1	2
	3	4	5	6	7	8	<b>9th</b>
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23

**Novena Ends: Saturday 9th May**

**KEY**

	= 27 Novena Days in Petition
	= 27 Novena Days in Thanksgiving

### 27-day Rosary Novena in Petition

- Starts: **St. Patrick's Day** (17<sup>th</sup> March).
- Ends: **Feast of Divine Mercy** (Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April).

### 27-day Rosary Novena in Thanksgiving

- Starts: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April.
- Ends: Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

For those who do not have an email address, if you intend to join our worldwide prayer petition, we would be grateful if you would complete the slip below and return to address indicated.

Please Tick ✓  **YES, I would like to participate in the 54-Day Rosary Novena for Ireland**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

On Divine Mercy Sunday all names / emails who replied 'Yes' will be placed at the feet of Our Lady of Knock Statue, at Knock Shrine, County Mayo, Ireland.

**Post to: Prayer For Ireland 2015, Parish Centre, SS Peter & Paul, Church, Portlaoise, County Laois, Ireland**