

**NINE DAYS OF PRAYER**  
*Imploring the Intercession of*  
*St. John Neumann, CSSR*

**1<sup>st</sup> Day-**

**St. John Neumann, obtain for me a solid faith in all the teachings of the Catholic Church, along with the light to know the emptiness of earthly possessions, along with the seriousness of my sins. Obtain for me also the special favor which I ask through your intercession with God.**

*Each Day:*

*Lord, in these days of pride and display, the humble ways of Your servant, Bishop Neumann, inspire us to imitate Your own divine example. Teach us to be like Your servant, the holy bishop, intent on pleasing You first and on performing good deeds free from the desire to be seen and glorified by others. That his holy example may continue to influence others, grant the favors we ask through his intercession. Amen*

*(Each Day: Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be: after each day's prayer)*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Day-**

**St. John Neumann, obtain for me from the Father, through the merits of Jesus Christ, the intercession of the Virgin Mary, and your own prayers, the pardon of my sins, final persevering in faith, and the gift of paradise. Obtain for me also the special favor which I now ask through your intercession with God.**

*Let us pray: Lord in these days...*

**3<sup>rd</sup> Day-**

**St. John Neumann, obtain for me a deep love of God that will detach me from the love of created things and from myself, to love Him above all things and to seek His glory. Obtain for me also the special favor which I now ask through your intercession with God.**

*Let us pray: Lord in these days...*

#### **4<sup>th</sup> Day-**

**St. John Neumann, obtain for me a perfecting accepting of the will of God that I may accept in peace the events of daily life and even death itself. Obtain for me also the special favor which I now ask through your intercession with God.**

*Let us pray: Lord in these days...*

#### **5<sup>th</sup> Day-**

**St. John Neumann, obtain for me a deep sorrow for my sins, that I may never grieve over the displeasure I have given my God. Obtain for me also the special favor which I now ask through your intercession with God.**

*Let us pray: Lord in these days...*

#### **6<sup>th</sup> Day-**

**St. John Neumann, obtain for me a true love for my neighbor, that will urge me to do good even for those who have offended me. Obtain for me also the special favor which I now ask through your intercession with God.**

*Let us pray: Lord in these days...*

#### **7<sup>th</sup> Day-**

**St. John Neumann, obtain for me the virtue of chastity, and the help needed to resist temptations by invoking the holy names of Jesus and Mary. Obtain for me also the special favor which I now ask through your intercession with God.**

*Let us pray: Lord in these days...*

#### **8<sup>th</sup> Day-**

**St. John Neumann, obtain for me a strong devotion to the Passion of Jesus Christ, to the Blessed Sacrament, and to my Mother, Mary. Obtain for me also the special favor which I now ask through your intercession with God.**

*Let us pray: Lord in these days...*

**9<sup>th</sup> Day-**

**St. John Neumann, obtain for me above all the grace to persevere in faith and trust in God, especially in times of temptation and at the hour of death. Obtain for me also the special favor which I now ask through your intercession with God.**

*Let us pray: Lord in these days...*

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**In June, 1836, a young immigrant from Bohemia was ordained a priest for the diocese of New York and began his ministry around Buffalo and Rochester. He became a Redemptorist in 1842, the first person in the U.S. to profess his vows in the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer.**

**In 1852, on his birthday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, he was consecrated a bishop in St. Alphonsus Church in Baltimore. A few days later he arrived in Philadelphia. After eight years traveling all over the largest Catholic diocese in the nation, he died on Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1860, on the 1200 block of Vine Street. Five days later, they buried him in the dirt floor basement of St. Peter's Church where 5 other Redemptorists were already laid to rest.**

**From that day to this, Philadelphia's 'Little Bishop' has continued to take care of the sick, especially children, who come and ask for his intercession.**

**Say a little prayer that more young women and men will follow in the footsteps of Bishop Neumann and Mother Katharine Drexel, serving the Lord and serving the Church in the Religious Life and Priesthood.**



*From a photo Before  
his consecration as a  
Bishop- March 1852*

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in the  
St. John Neumann Guild*

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