



DAY NINE

January 29, 2017

Intercession

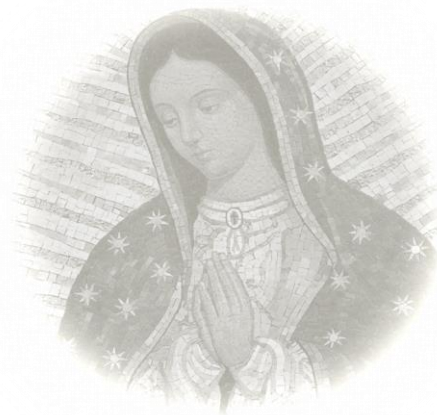
For God's peace to fill the hearts of all who travel upon the path of adoption.

Prayers

Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be

Reflection

The Letter to the Hebrews reminds us to “hold fast to the hope that lies before us. This we have as an anchor of the soul, sure and firm” (Heb 6:18-19). We pray that all who are involved in the adoption process would be filled with the hope of Christ and “the peace of God that surpasses all understanding” (Phil 4:7). We also remember that we too can cling fast to this anchor of hope, for we have received “a spirit of adoption, through which we cry, ‘Abba, Father!’” (Rom 8:15). May our loving Father envelop each of us in his love today and open our eyes in faith that we may see and rejoice in his love.



Acts of Reparation (choose one)

- Make an act of faith, hope, or love (www.goo.gl/QiIqQW).
- Today, ignore your sweet tooth. Make healthy eating choices.
- Make a “quiet hour” today, turning off all electronic devices (cell phone, iPod, computer, television, radio, video game system), and retreat to your room. Spend some time in prayer or prayerful reading, such as the “**Novena to St. Joseph: For Those on the Path of Adoption**” (www.goo.gl/dv7Dn2).

One Step Further

Maya*, who placed her child for adoption, gives nine suggestions for offering ongoing support in “**Accompanying Expectant Mothers Considering Adoption**” (www.goo.gl/srj6L3). In “**An Adoption Love Story**,” Jenny* shares her and her husband’s story of adopting their son, Andrew. Read about some of the challenges, concerns, and joys on their journey at www.goo.gl/fkhgyV. (Supplemental reference information regarding adoption can be found at www.goo.gl/EqCRV4.)

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