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# Novena to the Immaculate Conception

Nine days of special preparation for the great feast of our Lady's Immaculate Conception, with some resources for growing in love for Mary Immaculate.

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Gospel and commentary for the  
solemnity of the Immaculate  
Conception: "Full of grace!"

Saint Josemaría narrates the scene of the Annunciation: “Our Mother's voice brings to my memory —by contrast— all the impurities of men... mine too. What resolutions!” (from *Holy Rosary*)

Life of Mary (I): The Immaculate Conception

Novena to the Immaculate Conception, with commentary from Pope Francis and Saint Josemaria (download as PDF): the Immaculate Conception is such an important celebration in the Church that it is customary to prepare for it 9 days ahead of time. This novena includes daily meditations on the Gospel, together with affectionate reflections from Pope Francis and Saint Josemaria. (Here is another novena with texts from Saint Josemaria.)

Immaculate Conception:  
Magisterium, Fathers, Saints: what has the Church said about Mary's

immaculate beauty over the centuries?

Life of Mary (I): The Immaculate Conception: an explanation of this feast in the context of our Lady's whole life.

Prayers of Pope Francis to Mary Immaculate: 2013 and 2016

Free eBook: "Mary, a Life Close to Jesus"

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