

54 days to change the world. Day 35.

Today is the thirty-fifth day of this novena. We will be praying the Sorrowful Mysteries in a spirit of thanksgiving.

As we continue to pray with a spirit of thanksgiving, spend time with the saints. Along with Our Lady, ask them to intercede on your behalf. In difficult times, ask them for the grace necessary to recognize that there is cause for gratitude, even amidst our pain. When we suffer, we have the opportunity to unite our suffering with Christ's passion and be brought into closer unity with Him. Today, let us be inspired by words of gratitude spoken by the saints so that in all seasons of life we are able to find strength and joy in their wisdom.

"Remember the past with gratitude. Live the present with enthusiasm. Look forward to the future with confidence." -St. John Paul II

"Get used to lifting your heart to God, in acts of thanksgiving, many times a day. Because he gives you this and that. Because you have been despised. Because you haven't what you need or because you have. Thank him for everything, because everything is good." -St. Josemaria Escriva

"Jesus does not demand great action from us but simply surrender and gratitude." -St. Therese of Lisieux

"Believe and adore. Believe that Jesus Christ is in this sacrament as truly as He was nine months in the womb of Mary, as real as He was nailed to the Cross. Adore in humility and gratitude." -St. John Vianney