**NOVENA PRAYER TO THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

O Most Holy Virgin who was pleasing to God and did become His Mother, Immaculate in Your body, in Your soul, in Your faith and in Your love, we beseech You to look graciously upon the wretched who implore Your powerful protection. The wicked serpent, against whom the primal curse was hurled, continues nonetheless to wage war and to lay snares for the unhappy children of Eve. Ah, do You, our blessed Mother, our Queen and Advocate, who from the first instant of Your conception did crush the head of our enemy, receive the prayers that we unite single-heartedly to Yours and conjure You to offer at the throne of God, that we may never fall into the snares that are laid for us, in such wise that we may all come to the haven of salvation; and in the midst of so many dangers may holy Church and the fellowship of Christians everywhere sing once more the hymn of deliverance, victory and peace. Amen

Pope St. Pius X

“O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to You!”