

LITANY IN HONOR OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Lord,	have mercy on us!
Christ,	have mercy on us!
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Father all powerful,	have mercy on us!
Jesus, eternal Son of the Father and Redeemer of the world,	save us!
Spirit of the Father and of the Son, who unites both lives,	sanctify us!
Most Holy Trinity,	hear us!
Holy Spirit, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,	come into our hearts!
Holy Spirit, who are equal to the Father and to the Son,	come into our hearts!
Promise of God the Father,	come into our hearts!
Ray of light from heaven,	come into our hearts!
Author of all good,	come into our hearts!
Source of living water,	come into our hearts!
Consuming fire,	come into our hearts!
Spiritual union,	come into our hearts!
Spirit of love and truth,	have mercy on us!
Spirit of wisdom and knowledge,	have mercy on us!
Spirit of counsel and fortitude,	have mercy on us!
Spirit of intellect and piety,	have mercy on us!
Spirit of grace and prayer,	have mercy on us!
Spirit of peace and meekness,	have mercy on us!
Spirit of modesty and innocence,	have mercy on us!
Comforting Spirit,	have mercy on us!
Sanctifying Spirit,	have mercy on us!
Spirit governing the Church,	have mercy on us!
Gift of God most high,	have mercy on us!
Spirit who fills the universe,	have mercy on us!
Spirit of adoption of the sons of God,	have mercy on us!

Holy Spirit, instill in us the horror of sin.

Holy Spirit, fill our souls with your light.

Holy Spirit, inflame us with the fire of your love.

Holy Spirit, teach us how to pray well.

Holy Spirit, lead us along the ways of salvation.

Holy Spirit, inspire us in the practice of virtue.

Holy Spirit, help us to persevere in righteousness. Holy Spirit, be our eternal reward.

Holy Spirit, come and renew the face of the earth.

Holy Spirit, impress your law in our hearts.

Holy Spirit, pour into us the treasure of your grace.

Holy Spirit, enlighten us with your divine inspiration.

Holy Spirit, make us know the one thing necessary.

Holy Spirit, grant us the merit of all virtues.

Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world,

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send us your Spirit!

fill our hearts with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

give us the Spirit of wisdom and piety.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Let us pray, Grant O merciful father, that your Divine Spirit enlighten us, that he inflame and Purify us, so that he may penetrate us with His heavenly dew and fill us with good works. Through the merits of Jesus, your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit. AMEN.





NOVENA OF PRAYERS TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

During the nine days between the Ascension of our Lord and the coming of his promised Gift, the Holy Spirit, the followers of Jesus, were gathered in prayer, together with Mary, the Mother of Jesus.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and they shall be created; and you will renew the face of the earth.

Glory be to the Father

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

O Holy Spirit, divine Spirit of light and love, I consecrate to you my understanding, heart, and will, my whole being for time and eternity. May my understanding be always submissive to your heavenly inspirations, and to the teachings of the Catholic Church, of which you are the infallible Guide; may my heart be ever inflamed with love of God and of my neighbor; may my will be ever conformed to the divine will, and may my whole life be a faithful imitation of the life and virtues of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to whom with the Father and Thee be honor and glory forever. AMEN.

PRAYER: FIRST DAY

Come, You who best console the lonely heart, Refuge in danger, Protector in distress. Come, you who cleanse the soul of every stain, and heal all its wounds. Come, Strength of the weak, Support of those on the verge of falling. Come, Teacher of those who are humble of heart, who humbles the proud hearted. Come, Father of the fatherless, Hope of the poor, and Treasure of those in need. Come, guiding Star of every pilgrim, Harbor for those in danger of shipwreck. Come, Strength of the living Salvation of those about to die. Come, Holy Spirit, and have mercy on me. *St. Augustine*

PRAYER: SECOND DAY

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, that I might defend all that is holy. *St. Augustine*

Holy Spirit, love of my heart, I adore you. Enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me. Tell me what I must do – command me. I promise to submit myself to all that you will of me, and accept all you permit to befall me. Let me only know your will. *Cardinal Mercier*

PRAYER: DAY THREE

Most Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, behold me prostrate before you. Most profoundly do I adore you, most thankfully bless you. With the countless Seraphim who stand before your throne, I too, cry out, “*Holy, Holy, Holy.*” I firmly believe that you are God, one with the Father and the Son. I hope in your goodness you will sanctify and save my soul. I love you, divine love with all my heart and above all that this world holds – because you alone, infinite Goodness, are worthy of all love. In my blindness and ingratitude, I have often offended you by my sins. I ask your forgiveness. I offer you this heart of mine – cold and dark; I pray you, shed your light upon it, warm it with the fire of your love. *St. Alphonsus Liguori*

PRAYER: FOURTH DAY

Holy Spirit, Lord and Giver of Life, who came down upon the apostles in a mighty wind and with fire, who filled the house where they were and gave them the gift of tongues to proclaim the wonders of God, come down now upon me also. Fill me with yourself, and make of me a temple wherein you dwell. Open my lips to proclaim your praise, to ask your guidance, and to declare your love. Holy Light, Divine Fire, Eternal Might, enlighten my mind to know you, inflame my heart to love you, strengthen my will to seek and find you. Be for me the living and life-giving Breath of God, the very air I breathe, and the only sky which my spirit soars.

PRAYER: FIFTH DAY

O divine Spirit of Truth, life and soul of the Holy Church, enable me to be always and everywhere a docile and obedient member of God’s true Church, a loyal and devoted subject of the Pope, your infallible mouthpiece on earth, and a zealous advocate of God’s interest by word and by example.

PRAYER: SIXTH DAY

Holy Spirit, with the Father and the Son grant that the whole universe may be consecrated to you and that there may not be a single heart in which you, who are Love, Union, and Peace, do not reign. Holy Spirit, Creator, look with favor upon the Church, and by your heavenly make it strong and secure against the attacks of its enemies. Renew in charity and in grace the spirit of your servants, whom you have anointed, that they may give glory to you, with the Father and his only-begotten Son. Holy Spirit of Truth, come into our hearts; shed the brightness of your light upon all nations, that all may be one in faith, and pleasing to you. *Traditional*

PRAYER: SEVENTH DAY

Holy Spirit, Infinite Love of the Father and the Son, through the hands of Mary, your Immaculate spouse, and upon the altar of the Heart of Jesus, I offer you myself today and every day of my life. I offer you, my Lord, my daily labors; may they be fragrant with the spirit of love of the cross. I offer you my life and my death, my head and my hands, my every step, my every breath, all the love of my soul and every beat of my heart. And I firmly resolve faithfully to hear your voice, and, in all things, to do your will.

PRAYER: EIGHTH DAY

Upon my knees before you, in the sight of the whole heavenly court, I offer myself, body and soul, to you, eternal Spirit. I adore you for your great glory; I rejoice in the splendor of your majesty and wonder at the might of your love. You are the light and strength of my soul; in you I live and move and am. I never want to grieve you by unfaithfulness to your grace, and I pray you keep me from every stain of sin. Make me faithful to you in everything, at all times. Grant that I may always listen to your voice and obey. Grant that I may always watch for your light and follow the leading of your grace. To you, do I cling and ask you in your mercy to watch over me in my weakness

PRAYER: NINTH DAY

Holy Spirit, Spirit of Jesus who anointed him at his baptism John, who anointed with Pentecostal fire the Church, which is his Body, descend upon the Church, and upon all who have been consecrated to you – all who received you in Baptism, all who were sealed by you in Confirmation, all who have been set aside by you through the priesthood to serve God and humanity. Renew in us all the grace by which we have been sanctified, washed clean of our sins, and made temples of you indwelling. Let us no longer grieve you by our unfaithfulness or indifference, but, rather, filled with your fire, let us love you with that love which is poured out in our hearts by your coming to us.



**MILLENNIUM PRAYER
ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS**



**Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful,
and kindle in them the fire of your love.**

**Send forth your Spirit
and they shall be created.**

And you shall renew the face of the earth.

**All powerful God,
Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
by water and the Holy Spirit
you freed us from sin and gave us new life.**

**Send your Holy Spirit upon us
to be our helper and guide.**

**Give us the Spirit
of wisdom and understanding,
the Spirit of right judgment and courage,
the Spirit of knowledge and reverence.**

**Fill us with the Spirit
Of wonder and awe in your presence.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN.**

TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TO OBTAIN THE HOLY SPIRIT

O most pure Virgin Mary, who in your Immaculate Conception was formed by the Holy Spirit into a chosen tabernacle of Divinity, pray for us.

Reader: And grant that the divine Paraclete may come soon to renew the face of the earth. Hail Mary

O most pure Virgin Mary, who in the mystery of the Incarnation was made by the Holy Spirit true Mother of God, pray for us.

Reader: And grant that the divine Paraclete may come soon to renew the face of the Earth. Hail Mary

O most pure Virgin Mary, who while in prayer with the apostles in the upper room was filled with the Holy Spirit, pray for us.

Reader: And grant that the divine Paraclete may come soon to renew the face of the earth. Hail Mary

Come, Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send your Spirit for a new creation.

Reader: And you will renew the face of the earth.

A HOLY SPIRIT ROSARY

Pray the opening prayers of the rosary: Apostles' Creed, Our Father, 3 Hail Mary's, Glory Be, Our & Father

Leader: The first decade – the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament

After each verse all respond: *Come, Holy Spirit*

Readers:

- 1) Gn 1: 2 The earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.
- 2) Gn 2: 7 Then the LORD God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being.
- 3) Ez 26: 26 A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.
- 4) Ez 37: 5 Thus says the LORD God to those bones, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live.
- 5) Is 11: 2 The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and right judgment, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
- 6) Is 6: 1 The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners.
- 7) Ps 51: 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.
- 8) Ps 104: 30 When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you will renew the face of the ground.
- 9) Jl 3: 1 Then afterward I will pour out my spirit upon all mankind. Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. Even upon the servants and handmaids, in those days, I will pour out my spirit.
- 10) Zec 4: 6 He said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel; not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, says the LORD of hosts."

ALL: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Leader: The second decade – the Holy Spirit in the gospels

After each verse respond: *Come, Holy Spirit*

Readers:

- 1) Lk. 1: 35 The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy, he will be called the Son of God.
- 2) Lk 1: 41 When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.
- 3) Lk. 1: 67-68 Then his father, Zechariah, was filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke this prophecy: "Blessed be the Lord, God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them.
- 4) Lk. 2: 25-26 Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous

and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel and the Holy Spirit rested upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah.

- 5) Mt. 3: 16-17 And when Jesus had been baptized just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the spirit of God descending like a dove on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased,"
- 6) Lk 11: 13 If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him.
- 7) Jn 14: 16-17 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, who the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.
- 8) Jn 19: 30 When Jesus had received the wine, he said, "It is finished." Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.
- 9) Jn 20: 22-23 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.
- 10) Mt 28: 19 Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Leader: The Third decade – the Holy Spirit in the Acts of the Apostles

After each verse respond, *Come, Holy Spirit*

Readers:

- 1) Acts 1: 5 ---for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.
- 2) Acts 1: 8 But you will receive the power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.
- 3) Acts 1: 1-2 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And Suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.
- 4) Acts 2: 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.
- 5) Acts 2: 32-33 This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses. Being therefore, exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you both see and hear.
- 6) Acts 2: 38 Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
- 7) Acts 4: 31 When they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God with boldness.
- 8) Acts 8: 14-17 Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus).

- 9) Acts 10: 44-45 While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word.
- 10) Acts 19: 5-6 On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied – altogether there were about twelve of them.

All: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Leader: The Fourth decade – The Holy Spirit in the epistles

After each verse respond, *Come, Holy Spirit*

Readers:

- 1) Rom 5:5 ---and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.
- 2) Rom 8: 9 ---but you are not in the flesh, you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.
- 3) Rom 8: 14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba Father."
- 4) Rom 8:26 Likewise, the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.
- 5) Rom 5: 13 May God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- 6) 1 Cor. 2: 10 ---these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.
- 7) 1 Cor 3: 16 Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?
- 8) 1 Cor 6: 19 Or, do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own?
- 9) 2 Cor 3; 17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.
- 10) Jn 3: 24 All who obeys his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

All: Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Leader: The Fifth decade – The Holy Spirit in the epistles

After each verse all respond, *Come, Holy Spirit*

Readers:

- 1) Gal 4:6 And because you are children, God has sent the spirit of his Son into our hearts , crying, "Abba, Father!"
- 2) Gal 5:22 By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self- control.
- 3) Eph 2:21 And him the whole structure is join together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord: and whom you also Bill together spiritually into a drawing place for God.
- 4) Eph 4:3 Making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one spirit, just as you were called one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.
- 5) 1 Thes 1:4 For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of gospel came to you not the word only, but also in power and the Holy Spirit on full conviction: just as you know not what kind of persons we've proved to be among you for your sake.

- 6) 1 Thes 4:7 For God and not call us to impunity but in holiness. Therefore whoever rejects not human authority but God, also gives his Holy Spirit to you.
- 7) 1 Thes 5:19 Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything: hold fast to what is good, abstain from every form evil.
- 8) 2 Tim 1:6 For this reason to remind you to rekindle the gift from God that is within you through the laying on of hands going for God and not give us a spirit of car does come over our spirit of power and of love and of self- discipline.
- 9) 2 Tim 1:13 Hold of standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, and it's in the faith and love that while you are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.
- 10) 1 Pet 4:14 If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

All: Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful common candle in the fire of your love. Send forth your spirit and they should be created you should renew the face of the earth.

Leader: For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from home all free family in heaven and on earth cat takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of His glory, he may grant that you be strengthened in your inner being with power through His Spirit, and that Christ me dwell in your hearts true faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work with an ass is able to accomplish abundantly far more than we can I ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit, come. And from your celestial home shed a ray of light divine. Come, Father of the poor. Come source of all our store. Come within our bosom shine. You, of Comforter's the best, You are our soul's most welcome guest. Sweet refreshment here below, in our labor, rest most sweet, grateful coolness in the heat. Solace in the midst of woe. Oh most blessed light divine. Shine within these hearts of thine. And our inmost being fill. Where you are not, we have not. Nothing good in deed or thought. Nothing free from taint or ill. Heal our wounds, our strength renew, on our brightness pour your dew. Wash the stains of guilt away. Then the sovereign heart and will, melt the frozen, warm the chill. Guide the steps that go astray. On the faithful who adore, and confess you ever more. In you many gifts descend. Give us virtue, sure reward, give us your salvation, Lord. Give us joys that never end. Amen. Alleluia!

(A prayer used before every session of the Second Vatican Council)

Side 1: We stand before you, Holy Spirit, conscious of our sinfulness, but aware that we gather in your name.

Side 2: Come to us, remain with us, and enlighten our hearts.

Side 1: Give us light and strength to know your will, to make it our own, and to live it in our lives.

Side 2: Guide us by your wisdom, support us by your power, for you are God sharing the glory of Father and Son

Side 1: You desire justice for all: enable us to uphold the rights of others; do not allow us to be misled by ignorance or corrupted by fear or favor.

Side 2: Unite us to yourself in the bond of love and keep us faithful to all that is true.

Side 1: As we gather in your name may we temper justice with love, so that all our decisions may be pleasing to you and earn the reward promised to good and faithful servants.

All: You live and reign with the Father and the Son, one God forever and ever. AMEN.