

Novena to the Holy Spirit for the Seven Gifts



The Novena to the Holy Spirit is the oldest of all novenas, originating at the direction of Jesus upon his Ascension to have His apostles go to the Upper Room in Jerusalem to await the Holy Spirit. “They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.” (Acts 1:14). We pray for nine days before Pentecost for the Gifts of the Holy Spirit - wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord.

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Start every day with the sign of the Cross and the following prayer...

O Holy Spirit, Divine Consoler! I adore you as my True God. I bless You by uniting myself to the praises You receive from the angel and saints. I offer You my whole heart, and I render You heartfelt thanks for all the benefits You have bestowed and do unceasingly bestow upon the world. You are the author of all supernatural gifts and who did enrich with immense favors the soul of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, I beseech you to visit me by Your grace and Your love, and grant me the favor I so earnestly seek in this novena... (Pause for 10 seconds). O Holy Spirit, spirit of truth, come into our hearts: shed the brightness of your light on all nations, that they may be of one faith and pleasing to You. Amen.

Recite the prayer of the appropriate day...

FIRST DAY (*Friday of 6th Week of Easter*)

The Holy Spirit

Prayer: Almighty and eternal God, Who hast vouchsafed to regenerate us by water and the Holy Spirit, and hast given us forgiveness all sins, vouchsafe to send forth from heaven upon us your sevenfold Spirit, the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and fortitude, the Spirit of Knowledge and Piety, and fill us with the Spirit of Holy Fear. Amen.

One Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory be to the Father.

SECOND DAY (*Saturday of 6th Week of Easter*)

The Gift of Fear

Prayer: Come, O blessed Spirit of Holy Fear, penetrate my inmost heart, that I may set you, my Lord and God, before my face forever, help me to shun all things that can offend You, and make me worthy to appear before the pure eyes of Your Divine Majesty in heaven, where You live and reign in the unity of the ever Blessed Trinity, God world without end. Amen.

One Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory be to the Father.

THIRD DAY (*7th Sunday of Easter*)

The Gift of Piety

Prayer: Come, O Blessed Spirit of Piety, possess my heart. Enkindle therein such a love for God, that I may find satisfaction only in His service, and for His sake lovingly submit to all legitimate authority. Amen.

One Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory be to the Father.

FOURTH DAY (*Monday, 7th Week of Easter*)

The Gift of Fortitude

Prayer: Come, O Blessed Spirit of Fortitude, uphold my soul in time of trouble and adversity, sustain my efforts after holiness, strengthen my weakness, give me courage against all the assaults of my enemies, that I may never be overcome and separated from Thee, my God and greatest Good. Amen.

One Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory be to the Father.

FIFTH DAY (*Tuesday, 7th Week of Easter*)

The Gift of Knowledge

Prayer: Come, O Blessed Spirit of Knowledge, and grant that I may perceive the will of the Father; show me the nothingness of earthly things, that I may realize their vanity and use them only for Thy glory and my own salvation, looking ever beyond them to Thee, and Thy eternal rewards. Amen.

One Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory be to the Father.

SIXTH DAY (*Wednesday, 7th Week of Easter*)

The Gift of Understanding

Prayer: Come, O Spirit of Understanding, and enlighten our minds, that we may know and believe all the mysteries of salvation; and may merit at last to see the eternal light in Thy Light; and in the light of glory to have a clear vision of Thee and the Father and the Son. Amen.

One Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory be to the Father.

SEVENTH DAY (*Thursday, 7th Week of Easter*)

The Gift of Counsel

Prayer: Come, O Spirit of Counsel, help and guide me in all my ways, that I may always do Thy holy will. Incline my heart to that which is good; turn it away from all that is evil, and direct me by the straight path of Thy commandments to that goal of eternal life for which I long. Amen.

One Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory be to the Father.

EIGHTH DAY (*Friday, 7th Week of Easter*)

The Gift of Wisdom

Prayer: Come, O Spirit of Wisdom, and reveal to my soul the mysteries of heavenly things, their exceeding greatness, power and beauty. Teach me to love them above and beyond all the passing joys and satisfactions of earth. Help me to attain them and possess them for ever. Amen.

One Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory be to the Father.

NINTH DAY (*Saturday, Vigil of Pentecost*)

The Fruits of the Holy Spirit

Prayer: Come, O Divine Spirit, fill my heart with Thy heavenly fruits, Thy charity, joy, peace, patience, benignity, goodness, faith, mildness, and temperance, that I may never weary in the service of God, but by continued faithful submission to Thy inspiration may merit to be united eternally with Thee in the love of the Father and the Son. Amen.

One Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory be to the Father.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen