

CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, SERIA



Holy Spirit, Lord of Light, from the clear celestial heights, Thy pure beaming radiance give, come, thou Father of the poor, Come with treasures which endure, come thou Light of all that live.

Thou, of all consolers best, thou, the soul's delightsome guest, Dost refreshing peace bestow, thou in toil art comfort sweet, Pleasant coolness in the heat, solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine, visit thou these hearts of thine, And our inmost being fill: if thou take thy grace away, Nothing pure in man will stay, all his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew, on our dryness pour thy dew, Wash the stains of guilt away: bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm the chill, guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on those who ever more thee confess and thee adore, In thy sevenfold gifts descend, give them comfort when they die; Give them life with thee on high; give them joys that never end.

INVOCATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in them the fire of Your Divine Love.

All: Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created; and You will renew the face of the earth.

INVOCATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Leader: Let us pray: O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit instructs the hearts of the faithful, grant we beseech you to be truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolation, through, Jesus Christ Our Lord.

All: Amen

Bend the stubborn heart and will, melt the frozen warm the chill. Guide the steps that go astray!

The Gift of Wisdom

Leader: Embodying all the other gifts, as charity embraces all the other virtues, Wisdom is the most perfect of the gifts. Of wisdom it is written "all good things came to me with her, and innumerable riches through her hands." It is the gift of Wisdom that

strengthens our faith, fortifies hope, perfects charity, and promotes the practice of virtue in the highest degree. Wisdom enlightens the mind to discern and relish things divine, in the appreciation of which earthly joys lose their savor, whilst the Cross of Christ yields a divine sweetness according to the words of the Saviour: "Take up thy cross and follow me, for my yoke is sweet and my burden light. Let us pray:

All: 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.

- Our Father [Once]
- One Hail Mary [Once]
- Glory be to the Father [Seven Times]

Leader: O Lord Jesus Christ Who, before ascending into heaven did promise to send the Holy Spirit to finish Your work in the souls of Your Apostles and Disciples, deign to grant the same Holy Spirit to me that He may perfect in my soul, the work of Your grace and Your love.

All: Grant me the Spirit of Wisdom that I may despise the perishable things of this world and aspire only after the things that are eternal.

Leader: Grant me the Spirit of Understanding to enlighten my mind with the light of Your divine truth.

All: Grant me the Spirit of Counsel that I may ever choose the surest way of pleasing God and gaining heaven.

Leader: Grant me the Spirit of Fortitude that I may bear my cross with You and that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation.

All: Grant me the Spirit of Knowledge that I may know God and know myself and grow perfect in the science of the Saints.

Leader: Grant me the Spirit of Piety that I may find the service of God sweet and amiable.

All: Grant me the Spirit of Fear that I may be filled with a loving reverence towards God and may dread in any way to displease Him.

Leader: Mark me, dear Lord, with the sign of Your true disciples and animate me in all things with Your Spirit.

All: Amen.

DAY 8

- Scripture Reading 1 Kings 3:5-14
- * The Gift of Wisdom

INTERCESSION DAY 8

C: Let us pray to the Father through Jesus who send us the Holy Spirit that we might bear in our lives the fruit of His love.

1. For you and I, that we will make spiritual sacrifices so that our families may receive a deeper life in the Spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

2. For the sick, elderly and housebound, that the Holy Spirit may teach us through them how we too are to respond to God's will in difficult situations, let us pray to the Lord.

3. For our Holy Father, bishop, priests and seminarians, that the Holy Spirit may guide them in their ministry to souls, let us pray to the Lord.

4. For our parish, that the Holy Spirit may forge strong bonds of unity among us without regard to distinctions of age, gender, origin and status, let us pray to the Lord.

5. For our children, that they may discover the pearl of great price, the Holy Spirit who inspires them to the imitation of Christ in selfless love and sacrifice, let us pray to the Lord. All: Lord, hear our prayer.

6. For our community, that the presence of the Holy Spirit may be manifested in the many gifts He brings forth from our people for the task of evangelisation, let us pray to the Lord All: Lord, hear our prayer.

C: Let us pray:

All: Christ Jesus, before returning to your Father in heaven, you promised to send your Holy Spirit on your disciples. We are your disciples today - Pour out your Spirit into our lives so that we may reflect your grace and love and in this way, spread your Gospel to those whom we meet. With Your the Spirit of Wisdom, may we enter into the "new", come to know you intimately so that we can see with YOUR eyes, speak YOUR Words and act in YOUR way. Amen. 8/8

All: On my knees before the great multitude of heavenly witnesses I offer myself soul and body to You, eternal Spirit of God. I adore the brightness of Your purity the unerring keenness of your justice and the might of Your love. You are

the strength and the light of my soul. In You I live and move and am. I desire never to grieve You by unfaithfulness to grace and I pray with all my heart to be kept from the smallest sin against You. Mercifully guard my every thought and grant

that I may always watch for Your light and listen to Your voice and follow Your gracious inspirations. I cling to You and give myself to You and ask You by Your compassion to watch over me in my weakness. **Holding the pierced Feet of**

Jesus and looking at His Five Wounds and trusting in His **Precious Blood and adoring His** opened Side and stricken Heart I implore You Adorable Spirit Helper of my infirmity, so to keep me in your grace that I may never sin against You. Give

me grace O Holy Spirit, Spirit of the Father and the Son to say to you always and everywhere "Speak Lord for Your servant hears." AMEN.

HOLY QUEEN WE BEND BEFORE THEE

Holy Queen, we bend before Thee Queen of purity divine, Make us love Thee, we implore Thee Make us truly to be Thine.

Refrain

Teach, O teach us, holy Mother, How to conquer every sin, How to love and help each other, How the prize of life to win.

Thou to whom a Child was given Greater than the sons of men, Coming down from highest heaven To create the world again.

Refrain

Teach, O teach us, holy Mother, How to conquer every sin, How to love and help each other, How the prize of life to win.

Join us again tomorrow after the 5:30 PM Mass.

