

**NOVENA TO THE
HOLY SPIRIT
19TH - 27TH MAY 2023**

DAY 1 - 12:45 PM

**INTRODUCTION
TO THE GIFTS OF
THE HOLY SPIRIT**



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.**

OPENING HYMN: HOLY SPIRIT, LORD OF LIGHT

**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.**

OPENING HYMN: HOLY SPIRIT, LORD OF LIGHT

**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.**

OPENING HYMN: HOLY SPIRIT, LORD OF LIGHT

**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.**

OPENING HYMN: HOLY SPIRIT, LORD OF LIGHT

**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

DAY 1

**Holy Spirit! Lord of Light!
From Your clear celestial
height,
Your pure beaming radiance
give!**

The Holy Spirit

Leader: Only one thing is important -- eternal salvation. Only one thing, therefore, is to be feared—sin. Sin is the result of ignorance, weakness, and indifference. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Light, of Strength, and of Love. With His sevenfold gifts He enlightens the mind,

strengthens the will, and inflames the heart with love of God. To ensure our salvation we ought to invoke the Divine Spirit daily, for "The Spirit helps in our infirmity. We know not what we should pray for as we ought. But the Spirit Himself asks for us."

Let us pray:

**All: Almighty and eternal God,
Who has vouchsafed to
regenerate us by water and the
Holy Spirit, and has 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.**

Our Father [Once]

One Hail Mary [Once]

***Glory be to the Father [Seven
Times]***

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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.

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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.

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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.

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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.

PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

All: Amen.

DAY 1

- ✘ Scripture Reading –
Acts 1:12-14
- ✘ Reflection on Mary, Mother
of the Church



INTERCESSION DAY 1

C: Let us pray to God our Father who gives us his Spirit through Jesus his Son :

1. For our Holy Father, our Bishop, priests, religious and lay leaders, that in their work they may look for guidance from the Spirit, let us pray to the Lord

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For men and women in our families and among our friends who do not know Christ, that they may find fervent Christians like you and I, to lead them to repentance, to faith in Christ, and to the possession of the life of the Spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

3. For our Christian community, that we may remove all obstacles which prevent the action of the Spirit in us, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

4. For you and I, that we may contribute to the good of our parish, by maintaining and increasing the life of the Spirit within us, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

5. For our newly baptized and confirmed brothers and sisters that they may respond to the promptings of the Spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

6. For people feeling sad or anxious, for those deprived of consolation, for discouraged Christians, that they may appeal to the Holy Spirit for comfort, light and strength, 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. Teach us to be your faithful disciples and animate us in every way with your Holy Spirit. Amen.

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

**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**

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

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

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

**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.**

MOTHER DEAR, O PRAY FOR ME

**Mother Dear, O pray for me /
Whilst far from heaven and thee
/ I wander in a fragile bark /
O'er life's tempestuous sea / O
Virgin Mother, from thy throne /
So bright in bliss above /
Protect thy child / And cheer my
path / With thy sweet smile of
love.**

**Mother dear, remember me
And never cease Thy care,
Till in heaven eternally
Thy love and bliss I share.**

**Mother dear, O pray for me /
Should pleasure's siren lay /
E'er tempt Thy child to wander
far / From virtue's path away.
/ Or sorrow's gloom upon me
fall / And darken all below /
Then Mary, aid Thy weeping
child, / Thyself a mother show.**

**Mother dear, remember me
And never cease Thy care,
Till in heaven eternally
Thy love and bliss I share.**

**Join us again tomorrow at
6:00 PM.**

