

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

DAY 8 - 12:45 PM

GIFT OF WISDOM



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

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**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.**

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- ***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.

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- ✘ Scripture Reading – Acts 1:12-14
- ✘ Stella Maris



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.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

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.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

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.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

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.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

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.

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.**

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 at
6:00 PM.**

