

EXTRAORDINARY HOLY SPIRIT NOVENA

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DAY 1

The Holy Spirit Intercedes for Us

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Light, of Strength, and of Love. Through the gifts of the Holy Spirit, the mind is enlightened, the will strengthened, and the heart inflamed with love of God.

The Spirit also helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to

pray as we should; instead, the Spirit pleads for us...and the One Who is able to see what is in the heart knows what the Spirit wishes, because the Spirit intercedes... in accordance with God's will. (Rm 8:26-27)

Prayer

Almighty and eternal God, renew us by water and the Holy Spirit. Send your sevenfold Spirit and rekindle in us

the gifts of wisdom and understanding, counsel and fortitude, knowledge, piety and holy fear of the Lord.

Amen.

Our Father...

Hail Mary...

Glory Be...

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.

DAY 2:

The Gift of Wisdom

The Spirit's gift of wisdom strengthens our faith, fortifies hope, perfects charity, and promotes the practice of virtue in one's life. It enlightens the mind so that we can better appreciate divine things, put God first in our lives, and judge what will be helpful and what can be an obstacle to reaching heaven.

Wisdom gives life to the one who possesses it. (Ecc 7:12)

Prayer

Come, Spirit of Wisdom, make known to me the power and beauty of heavenly things. Teach me to love them above all the passing joys and satisfactions of this earth. Grant that I may always put the things of God first in my life until

that day when I am united with you forever in heaven. Amen.

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DAY 3:

The Gift of Understanding

The Spirit's gift of understanding helps us to grasp the meaning of the truths of our faith. Through faith we believe; through the gift of understanding we learn to value and appreciate the faith we profess. Understanding helps us to better grasp the inner meaning of revealed truths so that

what we believe bears witness in our life.

"But the [seed] sown on good earth, this is the one who hears the word and understands, who, indeed, bears fruit, and produces a hundredfold, or sixtyfold, or thirtyfold." (Mt 13:23)

Prayer

Come, Spirit of understanding, enlighten my mind that I may see more deeply into the

truths I already believe by faith. Grant that I may one day come to see your eternal light; and in the radiance of glory have a clear vision of you and the Father and the Son. Amen.

Our Father...

Hail Mary...

Glory Be...

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DAY 4:

The Gift of Counsel

The Spirit's gift of counsel or right judgment enables us to choose the right course of action, especially in difficult circumstances. Counsel helps us direct the principles provided by the gifts of knowledge and understanding to actual situations that confront us in the course of our daily lives. This gift can be considered as supernatural common sense, an invaluable resource in our pursuit of Christian living.

You [LORD] guide me according to your plan,

And, in the end, you will take me into splendor. (Ps 73:24)

Prayer

Come, Spirit of Counsel, help and guide me in all my ways so

that I may always
choose what is right,
even in difficult
circumstances. Direct
my heart to all that is
good and lead me along
the path of your
commandments to the
goal of eternal life.
Amen.

Our Father...

Hail Mary...

Glory Be...

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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.

DAY 5:

The Gift of Fortitude

The Spirit's gift of fortitude or courage strengthens and supports us so that we can meet the challenges of living as intentional Christians. Fortitude reinforces the will so that in the face of difficulty we act conscientiously and with right intention.

You will be strengthened with all the power of his glorious might so that your steadfastness and patience will be perfected and you may joyfully give thanks to the Father who made you worthy to share in the portion of the saints in light. (Col 1:11)

Prayer

Come, Spirit of Fortitude, sustain me in time of trouble;

strengthen me in time of weakness; give me courage in time of hardship. Guide me in my efforts to live a holy life until the day that I join the saints in heaven to praise you for all eternity. Amen.

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Hail Mary...

Glory Be...

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them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

DAY 6:

The Gift of Knowledge

The Spirit's gift of knowledge enables us to evaluate the things of this earth in relation to God. Knowledge reveals to us the insignificance and emptiness of created things and helps us to see and use them only as means to our ultimate goal of heaven and not as goals in themselves. The gift of knowledge

helps us to prioritize our life's values and to put first things first.

...that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation by which you will come to a knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened so you will come to know what the hope is to which he calls you. (Eph 1:17)

Prayer

Come, Spirit of Knowledge, grant that I may always see the things of this earth as a means to serve God and my neighbor. Show me how to glorify God in every circumstance of my life and to cherish the friendship of God beyond all else, in hope of the eternal reward you promise to those who are faithful. Amen.

Our Father...

Hail Mary... Glory Be...

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.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations. Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

DAY 7:

The Gift of Piety

The Spirit's gift of piety helps us to love, reverence, and worship God as our Father, and to respect all people as our brothers and sisters, so that our service to both God and others will not be burdensome.

So, I beg you by God's mercy to offer your whole lives as a living sacrifice which will be

holy and pleasing to God – this is your spiritual worship. Do not pattern yourselves after the ways of this world; transform yourselves by the renewal of your minds, so you will be able to discern what God's will is, and what is good, pleasing, and perfect. (Rm 12:1-12)

Prayer

Come, Spirit of Piety, enkindle in my heart a

love for God and my neighbor. Inspire within me a deep respect for others that leads to real concern, compassion, and care for all those in need. Grant that in serving others I may serve you. Amen.

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Hail Mary...

Glory Be...

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them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

DAY 8:

The Gift of Fear of the Lord

The Spirit's gift of fear of the Lord helps us to respect God and to want to please him in everything. It is not a fear of God, but a fear of offending God which arises from an attitude of reverence and awe.

Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; those who practice it,

have a good understanding. His praise will last forever. (Ps 111:10)

Prayer

Come, Spirit of Holy Fear, fill my heart with wonder and admiration of you, Creator of all that is good, true, and beautiful. Grant me an outpouring of your grace that I may see your handiwork in the beauty of creation that surrounds me, and

rejoice in the presence of your splendor and majesty. Amen.

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DAY 9:

The Spirit in My Life

The gifts of the Holy Spirit prepare us to respond more readily to divine inspiration and cultivate a more consistent practice of virtue. As we grow in the knowledge and love of God under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, our life as committed Christians becomes more sincere and generous, and the

practice of virtue, which leave the heart filled with joy and consolation, are known as Fruits of the Holy Spirit. These fruits become a powerful incentive to serve God and our neighbor.

The Spirit's fruit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faith, gentleness, self-control. There is no law against these things! ...If we live in the spirit, let

us also follow the Spirit! (Gal 5:22-23,25)

Prayer

Come, Divine Spirit, fill my heart with your fruits and love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faith, gentleness, and self-control. Direct me along the path to holiness; grant that I may always seek and protect the good of others, and that I may

serve your kingdom here on earth. Amen.

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Hail Mary...
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