



This second Novena offers you the traditional texts for use on the nine days between Ascension and Pentecost.

We have no answers to the current crisis except to put our trust in God, God who is always faithful and in this Novena seek the presence of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful

AND KINDLE IN THEM THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE

Leader - Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created

AND YOU WILL RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH

Leader - Let us pray (*we pause*)

Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit, you have taught the hearts of your faithful.

In the same Spirit help us to love what is right and always rejoice in your consolation.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator, come
From thy bright heavenly throne.
Come, take possession of our souls,
And make them all thine own.

Thou who art called the Paraclete
Best gift of God above,
The living spring, the living fire,
Sweet unction and true love.

Thou who art sevenfold in thy grace,
Finger of god's right hand;
His promise, teaching little ones
To speak and understand.

O guide our minds with thy blest light,
With love our hearts inflame;
And with thy strength which ne'er decays,
Confirm our mortal frame.

Far from us drive our deadly foe;
True peace unto us bring;
And through all perils lead us safe
Beneath thy sacred wing.

Through thee may we the Father know,
Through thee th' eternal Son,
And thee the spirit of them both,
Thrice-blessed Three in One.

All glory to the father be,
With his co-equal Son:
The same to thee, great Paraclete,
While endless ages run.

Litany of the Holy Spirit

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

*Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy*

God our Father in heaven
God the Son, Redeemer of the world
God the Holy Spirit
Holy Trinity, one God

have mercy on us

Holy Spirit, proceeding from the Father and the Son
Holy Spirit, co-equal with the Father and the Son
Promise of the Father, most bounteous
Ray of Heavenly Light
Author of all good
Source of Living Water
Consuming Fire
Burning Love
Spiritual Unction

have mercy on us

Spirit of truth and power
Spirit of wisdom and understanding
Spirit of counsel and fortitude
Spirit of knowledge and piety
Spirit of the fear of the Lord
Spirit of compunction
Spirit of grace and prayer
Spirit of love, peace and joy
Spirit of patience
Spirit of longanimity and goodness
Spirit of benignity and mildness
Spirit of fidelity
Spirit of modesty and continence
Spirit of chastity
Spirit of adoption of children of God

have mercy on us

Holy Spirit, our Comforter
Holy Spirit, our Sanctifier
You who in the beginning moved upon the waters
You through whom spoke holy men of God
You who overshadowed the Virgin Mary
You by whom Mary conceived Christ
You who descend upon us at Baptism
You who, on the day of Pentecost appeared through fiery tongues
You by whom we are reborn
You who dwell in us as in a temple
You who govern and animate the Church
You who fill the whole world

have mercy on us

That you will renew the face of the earth
That you may shed your light upon us
That you may pour your love into our hearts
That you may inspire us to love our neighbour
That you may teach us to ask for the graces we need
That you may enlighten us with your heavenly inspirations
That you may guide us in the way of holiness
That you may make us obedient to your commandments
That you may teach us how to pray
That you may always pray within us
That you may inspire us with horror for sin
That you may direct us in the practice of virtue

We beseech you, hear us

That you may make us persevere in a holy life
That you may make us faithful to our vocation
That you may grant us good priests, bishops and religious
That you may give us good Christian families
That you may grant us a spiritual renewal of the Church
That you may guide and console the Holy Father

We beseech you, hear us

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
Holy Spirit, hear us

***graciously hear us, O Lord
spare us, O Lord
have mercy on us
Holy Spirit, graciously hear us***

V. Create a clean heart in us, O Lord

R. Renew a right spirit in us, O Lord

Let us pray

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In the same Spirit help us to love what is right and always rejoice in your consolation.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

A Litany of Anointing

ANOINT ME WITH THE OIL OF INTEGRITY, O GOD,
AND THE SEAL OF YOUR SANCTIFYING SPIRIT.

Anoint my head
so that all of my thoughts come forth from the well of your Being
to fill me with grace and peace.

Anoint my eyes
so that I might see your presence and providence clearly.

Anoint my ears
that I might hear the cry of the poor all around me
and the whisper of your word.

Anoint my lips
that I might proclaim the Good News of your mission
and the meaning of Jesus Christ.

Anoint my feet
to walk in your ways, to run and never grow weary,
to stand up for justice unafraid.

Anoint my heart
with warmth and compassion and a genuine generosity
toward all who are in need.

Anoint the whole of me, O Holy One, that I too may be holy.

Anoint my spirit for mission,
that I might reach out and into the heart of the whole hurting world.

Anoint my soul
for ministry that I might have the courage to respond
with the whole of my being to the daily demands of grace.