



*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

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

## **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.