# Novena to the Holy Spirit

9 DAYS DEVOTIONAL PRAYER
TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

(CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT)

'The novena is very faithful and will encourage people to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The content is written with a good Catholic sense and is influenced by the principles of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal.'

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# **OPENING PRAYER**

(To be prayed once on Day One)

My Lord Jesus Christ, I thank you for this 9 days of devotional prayer to the Holy Spirit. I beseech you to give me the grace and strength to do this novena. Help me to be open and to follow your directions as you lead me into a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit in these 9 days of prayer, reflection and fasting. Protect me and drive away all the plans of the enemy that may hinder the completion and fruitfulness of this novena in my personal life.

Blessed Virgin Mary, accompany me in this novena to intercede for me and lead me to your Son my Mediator and to the Holy Spirit my Comforter. I pray this in Jesus Name. Amen.

# DAY ONE

- (1) BEGIN THE DAY WITH FASTING 6 am -12 noon (if not able to fast pray 20 decades of Rosary)
- (2) BIBLE REFLECTION AND MEDITATION: (spend at least 15 minutes) Read John 1:1-4; John 7:37-38; Rev. 21:6

# (3) PRAYER:

Jesus you are the owner of my life and everything that I have. You are the giver of the Holy Spirit and you promised in John 14:16-18 that you will send your Spirit to us and that you will be with us forever. Give me now "the spring of the water of life" - the Divine Helper, the Counsellor, the Advocate, the Holy Spirit - for my soul thirsts and hungers for you. I love you Jesus. Take me and do with me whatever is pleasing to you. I pray in Jesus Name. Amen.

# NOWADD YOUR SPECIAL REQUESTS ...

# (4) COME HOLY SPIRIT

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 rejoice in His consolations. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

# CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

(to be prayed vocally, slowly, and meditatively, with expectant faith)

Holy Spirit I thank you, I adore you, and worship you now and forever.

Holy Spirit my supreme eternal Lord and inspiration, I am sorry for all the ways I have grieved you and the Most Holy Trinity.

Please Lord, set me free from every evil tendency and the desires of the flesh (pause here to renounce and forsake your sins) in Jesus Name. I hereby plead the precious blood of Jesus Christ upon me and my sins. Please God, have mercy on me and forgive all my sins. And please help me not to grieve you again. I pray in Jesus name.

Come Holy Spirit, my Helper, deliver me, transform me, mould me, renew me, revive me, and sanctify me with your fire and through the most Precious Blood of my Lord Jesus Christ.

Holy Spirit, my Advocate and Counsellor, come now upon me and overshadow me with your glory. I pray in Jesus Name (3 times).

Holy Spirit I hereby surrender and consecrate to you my whole self - body, soul, mind, heart and entire being spiritually and physically from now and forever in Jesus Name (3 times).

Holy Spirit please fan into flame your spiritual gifts, fruits, and blessings which I have received in the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation.

Come Holy Spirit fill me now and forever with your supernatural and spiritual power, gifts (pause here and ask for many gifts) and fruits (pause here and ask for many spiritual fruits); so that I will witness for Jesus. In Jesus Name. Holy Spirit please make me instrument of your love, glory, salvation and evangelisation. In Jesus name.

Now, please my Lord Jesus baptise me with the Holy Spirit and with your fire as on the day of Pentecost in Jesus name. Let there be an impartation of your Holy Spirit now in my life in the name of Jesus Christ the Son of God and Son of Mary. (Be still for a moment to invite the Holy Spirit into your life to receive this spiritual impartation).

Thank you my Lord for answering my prayers in Jesus Name.

I make this consecration to the Holy Spirit to the glory of God the Father and the Son. In Jesus Name. Amen. (Now spend time in expressing vocal praise and worship of God).

- (6) OUR FATHER WHO ART IN HEAVEN.....
- (7) HAIL MARY FULL OF GRACE THE LORD.....
- (8) PSALM 51; 63......
- (9) PRAISE/WORSHIP Or DIVINE PRAISE TO THE HOLY SPIRIT (see page 19) (spend more time singing in the spirit)

## **DAY TWO**

- (1) BEGIN THE DAY WITH FASTING 6 am -12 noon (if not able to fast pray 15 decades of Rosary)
- (2) BIBLE REFLECTION AND MEDITATION: (spend at least 15 minutes) Read Luke 1:28-45; Act 1:12-14; Act 2:1-4

#### (3) PRAYER:

Blessed Virgin Mary, my beloved Mother, you accepted the divine request of being the Mother of our Saviour and you were filled and overshadowed by the Holy Spirit. Teach me how to trust, believe and accept the Holy Spirit and His gifts. Your presence with Jesus in your womb at the house of Elizabeth filled her with the Holy Spirit. Please visit me with your Son - and bring to me the Holy Spirit. God worked through you to sanctify and fill John the Baptist with the Holy Spirit in his mother's womb, I beseech your holy intercession for my own sanctification and baptism of the Holy Spirit. In Jesus Name. Amen.

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#### (4) COME HOLY SPIRIT

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# **DAY THREE**

- (1) BEGIN THE DAY WITH FASTING 6 am -12 noon (if not able to fast pray 20 decades of Rosary)
- (2) BIBLE REFLECTION AND MEDITATION: (spend At least 15 minutes) Read Isaiah 11:2-3; Act 1:8; Joel 2: 28-29.

#### (3) PRAYER:

Holy Spirit please bestow upon me the gifts of Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Knowledge of God, Fear of God and Piety, so that I will know you, worship and serve you in Spirit and in truth. In Jesus Name. Amen.

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- (2) BIBLE REFLECTION AND MEDITATION: (spend at least 15 minutes) Read 1 CORINTHIANS 12; ACTS 13:9-12

#### (3) PRAYER:

Holy Spirit please fill me with the gifts of faith, healing, and the working of miracles so that you may use me to reveal more of your power and glory to your people in this world – both to edify and sanctify your Church and expand your Kingdom here on earth and in heaven. In Jesus Name. Amen.

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- (2) BIBLE REFLECTION AND MEDITATION: (spend at least 15 minutes) Read I Corinthians 14; Ephesians 4:29

#### (3) PRAYER:

Holy Spirit please overshadow me and if it is your will for us today as it was in the time of the Apostles, please shower me with your gifts of prophesy, speaking in tongues, interpretation of tongues, and discerning of spirits in order to edify and reveal to me your truth, and your plan of salvation for me, for the needy, and for Your body the Church. In Jesus Name. Amen.

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#### DAY SIX

- (1) BEGIN THE DAY WITH FASTING 6 am -12 noon (if not able to fast pray 20 decades of Rosary)
- (2) BIBLE REFLECTION AND MEDITATION: (spend at least 15 minutes)
  Read Romans 12:1-11; Ephesians 4: 1-12

#### (3) PRAYER:

Please, Holy Spirit give me your gifts of service and charisms for ministering to others by helping, caring, giving, encouraging, teaching, exhorting, showing mercy and leadership as it pleases you to use me in active and generous service for my family, prayer group, parish and the community. In Jesus Name. Amen.

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# **DAY SEVEN**

- (1) BEGIN THE DAY WITH FASTING 6 am -12noon (if not able to fast pray 20 decades of Rosary)
- (2) BIBLE REFLECTION AND MEDITATION: (spend at least 15 minutes) Read Galatians 5:22-23; Matthew 7: 15 20

#### (3) PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, help me to live and walk in your Spirit all the days of my life, and instil in me the fruits of the Holy Spirit: Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Let my life be a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to you that I may positively influence others and bring souls to you. In Jesus Name. Amen.

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# **DAY EIGHT**

- (1) BEGIN THE DAY WITH FASTING 6 am -12 noon (if not able to fast pray 20 decades of Rosary)
- (2) BIBLE REFLECTION AND MEDITATION: (spend at least 15 minutes) Read 1 Corinthians 13: 1-10; Luke 10:17-20

(3) PRAYER

Holy Spirit please help me to grow and mature in my spiritual life and teach me how to effectively use your gifts for the growth and unity of the body of Christ and for my personal edification, sanctification, and transformation that I may please and glorify the Most Holy Trinity. In Jesus Name. Amen.

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# **DAY NINE**

- (1) BEGIN THE DAY WITH FASTING 6 am -12 noon (if not able to fast pray 20 decades of Rosary)
- (2) BIBLE REFLECTION AND MEDITATION: (spend at least 15 minutes) Read John 14: 12-14; Romans 8:26-27; Galatians 4:5-7

#### (3) PRAYER:

My Lord Jesus, through the help of the Holy Spirit my Helper, my Comforter, and my Advocate, who intercedes for me even when I do not know what I ought pray for, grant me all the favours I seek and present to you now in this novena. In Jesus Name. Amen. (PAUSE HERE AND WITH EXPECTANT FAITH PRESENT ALL YOUR PETITIONS). Merciful and loving God, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary our loving mother, and your angels and saints, all the desires of my heart according to your perfect will. In Jesus Name. Amen.

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# CONCLUDING PRAYER

(To be prayed once on the 9th Day)

Thank you my Lord Jesus Christ for successfully leading me through these 9 days of prayer, reflection and adoration to the Holy Spirit. I am very grateful for the spiritual gifts, fruits and blessings you have poured upon me. Thank you for fulfilling your promise of Revelation 21:6: "To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life" (NRSV). Please, my Saviour Jesus Christ, commission me now as your disciple to boldly speak the good news of your Word everywhere I can and to help people better understand it and believe it that it may yield great fruit for your glory and your kingdom (Matt.28:19). In Jesus Name. Amen.

# DIVINE PRAISE TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

(If only one person is praying alone, then replace 'us' with me; "we" with 'I' to make it more personal)

| God the Father, the Creator of Heaven and earth HAVE MERCY ON US             |
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| God the Son, the Redeemer of the World                                       |
| God the Holy Spirit, the Comforter Have Mercy on us                          |
| The Most Holy Trinity, one God   |
| Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of GodPRAY FOR US                            |
| All the Saints of GodPray for us   |
| All the Angels of GodPray for us   |
| All the Martyrs in HeavenPray for us   |
| Holy Spirit, the Comforter   |
| Holy Spirit, the CounsellorWe adore you                                      |
| Holy Spirit, the HelperWe adore you  |
| Holy Spirit, the AdvocateWe adore you  |
| Holy Spirit, emanating from the Father and the SonWe adore you               |
| Holy Spirit, the Spring from the water of the fountain of lifeWe adore you   |
| Holy Spirit, the SanctifierWe adore you                                      |
| Holy Spirit, the gentle and holy DoveWe adore you                            |
| Holy Spirit, the power of Resurrection                                       |
| Holy Spirit, the Burning BushWe adore you                                    |
| Holy Spirit, the Consuming fire of ElijahWe adore you                        |
| Holy Spirit, the gentle WindWe adore you                                     |
| Holy Spirit, the Oil for anointingWe adore you                               |
| Holy Spirit, the finger of GodWe adore you                                   |
| Holy Spirit, the giver of the gift of WisdomWE PRAISE YOU                    |
| Holy Spirit, the Giver of the gift of Knowledge                              |
| Holy Spirit, the Giver of the gift of Understanding                          |
| Holy Spirit, the Giver of the gift of fear of God                            |
| Holy Spirit, the Giver of the gift of piety                                  |
| Holy Spirit, the Giver of the gift of fortitude                              |
| Holy Spirit, the Giver of the gift of working miracles                       |
| Holy Spirit, the Giver of the gift of speaking in tongues                    |
| Holy Spirit, the Giver of the gift of interpretation of tonguesWe praise you |
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| Holy Spirit, the Giver of the gift of discerning of spiritsWe praise you       |
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| Holy Spirit, the Giver of the gift of healingWe praise you                     |
| Holy Spirit, the Giver of the gift of faithWe praise you                       |
| Holy Spirit, the Giver of spiritual gifts                                      |
| Holy Spirit, the Giver of spiritual fruit                                      |
| Holy Spirit, the spirit of love  |
| Holy Spirit, the spirit of mercy   |
| Holy Spirit, the spirit of giving  |
| Holy Spirit, the spirit of leadership  |
| Holy Spirit, the spirit of helping and serving                                 |
| Holy Spirit, the spirit of peace and joy                                       |
| Holy Spirit, the spirit of humility and patience                               |
| Holy Spirit, the spirit of meekness and gentleness                             |
| Holy Spirit, the spirit of self-control  |
| Holy Spirit, the spirit of faithfulnessWe glorify you                          |
| Holy Spirit, the anointing for conversion and repentance of sinners We glorify |
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| Holy Spirit, the Spirit and tongue of the fire of Pentecost We glorify you     |
| Holy Spirit, the power and strength of the Apostles RENEW AND SANCTIFY         |
| US   |
| Holy Spirit, the power and strength of the SaintsRenew and sanctify us         |
| Holy Spirit, the power and strength of the AngelsRenew and sanctify us         |
| Holy Spirit, the power and strength of the MartyrsRenew and sanctify us        |
| Holy Spirit, the author of the Annunciation and birth of                       |
| our Redeemer   |
| Holy Spirit, the sanctifier of Elizabeth and John the Baptist                  |
| at the Visitation of the Virgin Mary   |
| Holy Spirit, Mary's shield and inspirationRenew and sanctify us                |
| Holy Spirit, the gift for the Church   |
| Holy Spirit, the origin and foundation of the Church Renew and sanctify us     |
| Holy Spirit, the inspiration and power of Christians Renew and sanctify us     |
| Holy Spirit, the anointing for evangelisation                                  |
| Holy Spirit, the anointing for prayerRenew and sanctify us                     |
| Holy Spirit, the anointing for praise and worshipRenew and sanctify us         |

| Holy Spirit, the anointing for holiness and chastityRenew and sanctify us      |
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| Holy Spirit, the anointing for vocationRenew and sanctify us                   |
| Holy Spirit, the power of creationRenew and sanctify us                        |
| Holy Spirit, the guardian of childrenRenew and sanctify us                     |
| Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; now and forever |
| Amen (3 times)   |