

Pentecost Novena to the Holy Spirit

(To be prayed the nine days before Pentecost, beginning on Friday 14th May)

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READING FOR THE DAY

(After each daily reading, continue with a time of silent reflection and the prayers listed below)

Friday - You Will Receive Power

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witness in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the Earth. *Acts 1:8*

Saturday – Jesus' Promise of the Advocate

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth. John 16;13

Sunday - The Need to be Born of the Spirit

Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. **John 3:5**

Monday - The Spirit Give Life to Dry Bones

Thus, says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. *Acts* 1:8

Tuesday - Life through His Spirit

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you. **Romans 8:11**

Wednesday - Understanding Comes through the Spirit

Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that if from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. *1 Corinthians 2:12*

Thursday – One Spirit, Many Gifts

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit: and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. *1 Corinthians 12:4-6*

Friday – The Fruit of the Spirit

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. *Galatians* 5:22-23

Saturday – The Outpouring of the Spirit at Pentecost

Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and begin to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. **Acts 2:3-4**

SILENT REFLECTION

NOVENA FOR PENTECOST TO COME,

Holy Spirit, fill our hearts with your love. Set our lives aflame with your gifts. Grant us wisdom to choose what is good and true; understanding to embrace your plan of salvation; right judgment to act according to your will; courage to share our faith with others; knowledge to live as disciples of Jesus Christ; reverence to respond faithfully to your grace each day; and wonder and awe in your presence. Inspire us with enthusiasm for our Catholic faith. Grant us boldness to proclaim the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ, and help us to bring the transforming power of the gospel to our world. We make this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen

OUR FATHER,

HAIL MARY,

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