



NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Each day say the prayer below and then reflect on the passage given. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you. Spend time listening to God's word which might be clear but may well simply seem to be a time of silence. All time spent with the scriptures is a time of communication with God. Recall the gifts and the fruits of the Holy Spirit. End your time of prayer with an Our Father, Hail Mary or Glory be. Carry the passage with you during the day.

"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 1: 'when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit...' (Acts 2:2-4)

Day 2: "But Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at God's right hand. I can see heaven thrown open, he said, and the Son of Man standing at God's right hand.' (Acts: 7:55-57)

Day 3: The Spirit said to Philip, 'Go up and meet that chariot.' When Philip ran up, he heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' 'How can I unless I have someone to guide me,' the eunuch replied. (Acts:8:29-31)

Day 4: 'if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.' (Romans: 8:11)

Day 5: 'The Spirit too comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means...' (Romans 8:26-27)

Day 6: 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate to be with you forever, the Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you.' (John: 14:15-17)

Day 7: 'and it is plain that you are a letter from Christ, drawn up by us, and written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God, not on stone tablets but on the tablets of your living hearts.' (2 Corinthians 3:3))

Day 8: 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have? He gave orders for them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.' (Acts: 10:47-48)

Day 9: The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well, heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ (Romans 8:16)