

## **Pentecost Novena**

**7:30pm – Hymn: *Salve Regina***

**7:35pm – Rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet**

**7:55pm – *Sacred Scripture and Fervorino***

**8:00pm – Novena Prayer**

**8:10pm – Hymn: *Veni Creator Spiritus***

**8:15pm – Conclusion of Novena Devotions**

***Following the Novena each night there will be various traditions of Praise and Worship***

### **ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY SPIRIT**

*(To be recited daily during the Novena)*

On my knees before the great multitude of heavenly witnesses, I offer myself, soul and body to You, Eternal Spirit of God. I adore the brightness of Your purity, the unerring keenness of Your justice, and the might of Your love. You are the Strength and Light of my soul. In You I live and move and am. I desire never to grieve You by unfaithfulness to grace and I pray with all my heart to be kept from the smallest sin against You. Mercifully guard my every thought and grant that I may always watch for Your light, and listen to Your voice, and follow Your gracious inspirations. I cling to You and give myself to You and ask You, by Your compassion to watch over me in my weakness. Holding the pierced Feet of Jesus and looking at His Five Wounds, and trusting in His Precious Blood and adoring His opened Side and stricken Heart, I implore You, Adorable Spirit, Helper of my infirmity, to keep me in Your grace that I may never sin against You. Give me grace, O Holy Spirit, Spirit of the Father and the Son to say to You always and everywhere, "Speak Lord for Your servant heareth." Amen.

### **PRAYER FOR THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

*(To be recited daily during the Novena)*

O Lord Jesus Christ Who, before ascending into heaven did promise to send the Holy Spirit to finish Your work in the souls of Your Apostles and Disciples, deign to grant the same Holy Spirit to me that He may perfect in my soul, the work of Your grace and Your love. Grant me the Spirit of Wisdom that I may despise the perishable things of this world and aspire only after the things that are eternal, the Spirit of Understanding to enlighten my mind with the light of Your divine truth, the Spirit on Counsel that I may ever choose the surest way of pleasing God and gaining heaven, the Spirit of Fortitude that I may bear my cross with You and that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation, the Spirit of Knowledge that I may know God and know myself and grow perfect in the science of the Saints, the Spirit of Piety that I may find the service of God sweet and amiable, and the Spirit of Fear that I may be filled with a loving reverence towards God and may dread in any way to displease Him. Mark me, dear Lord with the sign of Your true disciples, and animate me in all things with Your Spirit. Amen.

## **Day One: Humility of Christ Jesus**

**Hymn: Salve Regina** (daily)

**Rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet** (daily)

**Sacred Scripture:** “Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any <sup>[a]</sup>affection and compassion, <sup>2</sup> make my joy complete <sup>[b]</sup>by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing <sup>[c]</sup>from <sup>[d]</sup>selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; <sup>4</sup> do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. <sup>5</sup> Have this attitude <sup>[e]</sup>in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be <sup>[f]</sup>grasped, <sup>7</sup> but <sup>[g]</sup>emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death <sup>[h]</sup>on a cross. <sup>9</sup> For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

<sup>12</sup> So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling; <sup>13</sup> for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.

<sup>14</sup> Do all things without grumbling or disputing; <sup>15</sup> so that you will <sup>[i]</sup>prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you <sup>[j]</sup>appear as <sup>[k]</sup>lights in the world, <sup>16</sup> holding <sup>[l]</sup>fast the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I will have reason to glory because I did not run in vain nor toil in vain. <sup>17</sup> But even if I am being poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I rejoice and share my joy with you all. <sup>18</sup> You too, I urge you, rejoice in the same way and share your joy with me.” (Saint Paul to the Philippians 2:1-19) **Fervorino**

**Novena Prayer: Virgin Mary’s mindset on the Holy Spirit: Humility of Christ Jesus**

(recite together) **Holy Spirit! Lord of Light! From Your clear celestial height, Your pure beaming radiance give!**

**Our Lady of the Angels – Spouse of the the Holy Spirit**

(recite together) *Only one thing is important -- eternal salvation. Only one thing, therefore, is to be feared--sin? Sin is the result of ignorance, weakness, and indifference The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Light, of Strength, and of Love. With His sevenfold gifts He enlightens the mind, strengthens the will, and inflames the heart with love of God. To ensure our salvation we ought to invoke the Divine Spirit daily, for "The Spirit helpeth our infirmity. We know not what we should pray for as we ought. But the Spirit Himself asketh for us."*

**Prayer** (recite together)

*Almighty and eternal God, Who hast vouchsafed to regenerate us by water and the Holy Spirit, and hast given us forgiveness all sins, vouchsafe to send forth from heaven upon us your sevenfold Spirit, the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and fortitude, the Spirit of Knowledge and Piety, and fill us with the Spirit of Holy Fear. Amen.*

**Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.**

**Prayer** (recite together)

**Act of Consecration, Prayer for the Seven Gifts**

**Daily Hymn: Veni Creator Spiritus**

**Day Two: Faith and Fear of the Lord in Blessing of the Poor in Spirit of those who Mourn**

**Sacred Scripture:** Now in those days John the Baptist <sup>[a]</sup>came, <sup>[b]</sup>preaching in the wilderness of Judea, saying, <sup>2</sup> “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven <sup>[c]</sup>is at hand.” <sup>3</sup> For this is the one referred to <sup>[d]</sup>by Isaiah the prophet when he said, “The voice of one <sup>[e]</sup>crying in the wilderness, ‘Make ready the way of the Lord, Make His paths straight!’”

<sup>4</sup> Now John himself had <sup>[f]</sup>a garment of camel’s hair and a leather belt around his waist; and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup> Then Jerusalem was going out to him, and all Judea and all the district around the Jordan; <sup>6</sup> and they were being baptized by him in the Jordan River, as they confessed their sins.

<sup>7</sup> But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers, who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup> Therefore bear fruit in keeping with repentance; <sup>9</sup> and do not suppose that you can say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham for our father’; for I say to you that from these stones God is able to raise up children to Abraham. <sup>10</sup> The axe is already laid at the root of the trees; therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

<sup>11</sup> “As for me, I baptize you <sup>[g]</sup>with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you <sup>[h]</sup>with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup> His winnowing fork is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clear His threshing floor; and He will gather His wheat into the barn, but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

<sup>13</sup> Then Jesus arrived from Galilee at the Jordan coming to John, to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup> But John tried to prevent Him, saying, “I have need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?” <sup>15</sup> But Jesus answering said to him, “Permit it at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he <sup>\*</sup>permitted Him. <sup>16</sup> After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and <sup>[i]</sup>he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and <sup>[j]</sup>lighting on Him, <sup>17</sup> and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased.” (**Gospel of Matthew 3:1-17**) **Fervorino**

**Novena Prayer:** Faith and Fear of the Lord in Blessing of the Poor in Spirit (recite together)

**Come, Father of the poor. Come, treasures which endure; Come, Light of all that live!**

**The Gift of Fear** (recite together)

*The gift of Fear fills us with a sovereign respect for God, and makes us dread nothing so much as to offend Him by sin. It is a fear that arises, not from the thought of hell, but from sentiments of reverence and filial submission to our heavenly Father. It is the fear that is the beginning of wisdom, detaching us from worldly pleasures that could in any way separate us from God. "They that fear the Lord will prepare their hearts, and in His sight will sanctify their souls."*

**Prayer** (recite together)

*Come, O blessed Spirit of Holy Fear, penetrate my inmost heart, that I may set you, my Lord and God, before my face forever, help me to shun all things that can offend You, and make me worthy to appear before the pure eyes of Your Divine Majesty in heaven, where You live and reign in the unity of the ever Blessed Trinity, God world without end. Amen.*

**Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES**

**Act of Consecration, Prayer for the Seven Gifts** (recite together)

### **Day Three: Prudence and Understanding in Blessing of those who Mourn**

**Sacred Scripture:** <sup>10</sup> Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own initiative, but the Father abiding in Me does His works. <sup>11</sup> Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me; otherwise believe because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do, he will do also; and greater works than these he will do; because I go to the Father. <sup>13</sup> Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it. <sup>15</sup> "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments. <sup>16</sup> I will ask the Father, and He will give you another <sup>[b]</sup>Helper, that He may be with you forever; <sup>17</sup> that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, but you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup> "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup> <sup>[c]</sup>After a little while the world will no longer see Me, but you will see Me; because I live, you will live also. <sup>20</sup> In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup> He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him." <sup>22</sup> Judas (not Iscariot) \*said to Him, "Lord, what then has happened that You are going to disclose Yourself to us and not to the world?"

<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him. <sup>24</sup> He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine, but the Father's who sent Me. <sup>25</sup> "These things I have spoken to you while abiding with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful. <sup>28</sup> You heard that I said to you, 'I go away, and I will come to you.' If you loved Me, you would have rejoiced because I go to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup> Now I have told you before it happens, so that when it happens, you may believe. (Gospel of John 14:10-29)

### **Fervorino**

**Novena Prayer:** *Prudence and Understanding in Blessing of those who Mourn*

(recite together)

**If Thou take Thy grace away, nothing pure in man will stay, All his good is turn'd to ill.**

### **The Gift of Understanding**

*the Holy Spirit helps us to grasp the meaning of the truths of our holy religion BY faith we know them, but by Understanding we learn to appreciate and relish them. It enables us to penetrate the inner meaning of revealed truths and through them to be quickened to newness of life. Our faith ceases to be sterile and inactive, but inspires a mode of life that bears eloquent testimony to the faith that is in us; we begin to "walk worthy of God in all things pleasing, and increasing in the knowledge of God."*

**Prayer** (recite together)

*Come, O Spirit of Understanding, and enlighten our minds, that we may know and believe all the mysteries of salvation; and may merit at last to see the eternal light in Thy Light; and in the light of glory to have a clear vision of Thee and the Father and the Son. Amen.*

**Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.**

**Act of Consecration, Prayer for the Seven Gifts** (recite together)

#### **Day Four: Justice and Knowledge by Blessing of God's Righteousness**

**Sacred Scripture:** "And you were dead in your trespasses and sins, <sup>2</sup> in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience. <sup>3</sup> Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest. <sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), <sup>6</sup> and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; <sup>9</sup> not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

<sup>11</sup> "Therefore remember that formerly you, the Gentiles in the flesh, who are called "Uncircumcision" by the so-called "Circumcision," which is performed in the flesh by human hands— <sup>12</sup> remember that you were at that time separate from Christ, excluded from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who formerly were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup> For He Himself is our peace, who made both groups into one and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall, <sup>15</sup> by abolishing in His flesh the enmity, which is the Law of commandments contained in ordinances, so that in Himself He might make the two into one new man, thus establishing peace, <sup>16</sup> and might reconcile them both in one body to God through the cross, by it having put to death the enmity. <sup>17</sup> And He came and preached peace to you who were far away, and peace to those who were near; <sup>18</sup> for through Him we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, <sup>20</sup> having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone, <sup>21</sup> in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord, <sup>22</sup> in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit." (St Paul to the Ephesians 2) **Fervorino**

**Novena Prayer:** Justice and Knowledge by Blessing of God's Righteousness

**Light immortal! Light Divine! Visit Thou these hearts of Thine, And our inmost being fill!**

**The Gift of Knowledge** (recite together)

*The gift of Knowledge enables the soul to evaluate created things at their true worth--in their relation to God. Knowledge unmask the pretense of creatures, reveals their emptiness, and points out their only true purpose as instruments in the service of God. It shows us the loving care of God even in adversity, and directs us to glorify Him in every circumstance of life. Guided by its light, we put first things first, and prize the friendship of God beyond all else. "Knowledge is a fountain of life to him that possesseth it."*

**Prayer:** Come, O Blessed Spirit of Knowledge, and grant that I may perceive the will of the Father; show me the nothingness of earthly things, that I may realize their vanity and use them only for Thy glory and my own salvation, looking ever beyond them to Thee, and Thy eternal rewards. **Amen. Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES. Act of Consecration, Prayer for the Seven Gifts** (recite together)

**Day Five: Courage and Fortitude to have the Blessing of the Merciful**

**Sacred Scripture:** <sup>22</sup> “Immediately He <sup>[a]</sup>made the disciples get into the boat and go ahead of Him to the other side, while He sent the crowds away. <sup>23</sup> After He had sent the crowds away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray; and when it was evening, He was there alone. <sup>24</sup> But the boat was already <sup>[b]</sup>a long distance from the land, <sup>[c]</sup>battered by the waves; for the wind was <sup>[d]</sup>contrary. <sup>25</sup> And in the <sup>[e]</sup>fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup> When the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out <sup>[f]</sup>in fear. <sup>27</sup> But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.”

<sup>28</sup> “Peter said to Him, “Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water.” <sup>29</sup> And He said, “Come!” And Peter got out of the boat, and walked on the water and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But seeing the wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” <sup>31</sup> Immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and took hold of him, and \*said to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” <sup>32</sup> When they got into the boat, the wind stopped. <sup>33</sup> And those who were in the boat worshiped Him, saying, “You are certainly God’s Son!”

**(Gospel of Matthew 14:22-33) Fervorino**

**Novena Prayer:** *Courage and Fortitude to have the Blessing of the Merciful*

(recite together) ***Thou in toil art comfort sweet, Pleasant coolness in the heat, solace in the midst of woe.***

**The Gift of Fortitude**

*By the gift of Fortitude the soul is strengthened against natural fear, and supported to the end in the performance of duty. Fortitude imparts to the will an impulse and energy which move it to under take without hesitancy the most arduous tasks, to face dangers, to trample under foot human respect, and to endure without complaint the slow martyrdom of even lifelong tribulation. "He that shall persevere unto the end, he shall be saved."*

**Prayer** (recite together)

*Come, O Blessed Spirit of Fortitude, uphold my soul in time of trouble and adversity, sustain my efforts after holiness, strengthen my weakness, give me courage against all the assaults of my enemies, that I may never be overcome and separated from Thee, my God and greatest Good. Amen.*

**Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.**

**Act of Consecration, Prayer for the Seven Gifts** (recite together)

**Day Six: Temperance and Counsel to share the Blessing of the Meek**

**Sacred Scripture:** <sup>26</sup> “When the <sup>[h]</sup>Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me, <sup>27 [i]</sup>and you will testify also, because you have been with Me from the beginning...<sup>4</sup> But these things I have spoken to you, so that when their hour comes, you <sup>[b]</sup>may remember that I told you of them. These things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you.

<sup>5</sup> “But now I am going to Him who sent Me; and none of you asks Me, ‘Where are You going?’

<sup>6</sup> But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. <sup>7</sup> But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the <sup>[c]</sup>Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you. <sup>8</sup> And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment; <sup>9</sup> concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; <sup>10</sup> and concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father and you no longer see Me; <sup>11</sup> and concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world has been judged.

<sup>12</sup> “I have many more things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup> But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come.

<sup>14</sup> He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose it to you. <sup>15</sup> All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose it to you. (**Gospel of John 15:26-16:1-15**) **Fervorino**

**Novena Prayer:** *Temperance and Counsel to share the Blessing of the Meek*

(recite together) **Heal our wounds--our strength renews; On our dryness pour Thy dew, Wash the stains of guilt away.**

**The Gift of Counsel** (recite together)

*The gift of Counsel endows the soul with supernatural prudence, enabling it to judge promptly and rightly what must be done, especially in difficult circumstances. Counsel applies the principles furnished by Knowledge and Understanding to the innumerable concrete cases that confront us in the course of our daily duty as parents, teachers, public servants, and Christian citizens.*

*Counsel is supernatural common sense, a priceless treasure in the quest of salvation. "Above all these things, pray to the Most High, that He may direct thy way in truth."*

**Prayer** (recite together)

*Come, O Spirit of Counsel, help and guide me in all my ways, that I may always do Thy holy will. Incline my heart to that which is good; turn it away from all that is evil, and direct me by the straight path of Thy commandments to that goal of eternal life for which I long.*

**Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.**

**Act of Consecration, Prayer for the Seven Gifts** (recite together)

**Day Seven: Love and Piety and see the Blessing of the Pure of Heart**

**Sacred Scripture:** “For every high priest taken from among men is appointed on behalf of men in things pertaining to God, in order to offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins; <sup>2</sup> he can deal gently with the ignorant and misguided, since he himself also is beset with weakness; <sup>3</sup> and because of it he is obligated to offer sacrifices for sins, as for the people, so also for himself.

<sup>4</sup> And no one takes the honor to himself, but receives it when he is called by God, even as Aaron was.

<sup>5</sup> So also Christ did not glorify Himself so as to become a high priest, but He who said to Him, “You are My Son, today I have begotten You”; <sup>6</sup> just as He says also in another passage, “You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.”

<sup>7</sup> In the days of His flesh, He offered up both prayers and supplications with loud crying and tears to the One able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His piety. <sup>8</sup> Although He was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He suffered. <sup>9</sup> And having been made perfect, He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation, <sup>10</sup> being designated by God as a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

<sup>11</sup> Concerning him we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. <sup>12</sup> For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you have need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God, and you have come to need milk and not solid food. <sup>13</sup> For everyone who partakes only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness, for he is an infant. <sup>14</sup> But solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil.” (**Letter to the Hebrews (5:1-14)** **Fervorino**

**Novena Prayer: Love and Piety and see the Blessing of the Pure of Heart**

(recite together)

**Thou, of all consolers best, visiting the troubled breast, Dost refreshing peace bestow.**

**The Gift of Piety** (recite together)

*The gift of Piety begets in our hearts a filial affection for God as our most loving Father. It inspires us to love and respect for His sake persons and things consecrated to Him, as well as those who are vested with His authority, His Blessed Mother and the Saints, the Church and its visible Head, our parents and superiors, our country and its rulers. He who is filled with the gift of Piety finds the practice of his religion, not a burdensome duty, but a delightful service. Where there is love, there is no labor.*

**Prayer** (recite together)

*Come, O Blessed Spirit of Piety, possess my heart. Enkindle therein such a love for God, that I may find satisfaction only in His service, and for His sake lovingly submit to all legitimate authority. Amen.*

**Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.**

**Prayer** (recite together)

**Act of Consecration, Prayer for the Seven Gifts**

**Hymn: Veni Creator Spiritus**

**Day Eight: Hope and Wisdom to become the Blessing of the Peacemakers**

**Sacred Scripture:** “Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse, And a branch from his roots will bear fruit. <sup>2</sup> The Spirit of the Lord will rest on Him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and strength, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. <sup>3</sup> And He will delight in the fear of the Lord, And He will not judge by what His eyes see, nor make a decision by what His ears hear; <sup>4</sup> but with righteousness He will judge the poor, and decide with fairness for the afflicted of the earth; and He will strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He will slay the wicked. <sup>5</sup> Also righteousness will be the belt about His loins, and faithfulness the belt about His waist. <sup>6</sup> And the wolf will dwell with the lamb, and the leopard will lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the young lion <sup>[a]</sup> and the fatling together; And a little boy will lead them. <sup>7</sup> Also the cow and the bear will graze, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox. <sup>8</sup> The nursing child will play by the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child will put his hand on the viper’s den. <sup>9</sup> They will not hurt or destroy in all My holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord As the waters cover the sea. <sup>10</sup> Then in that day the nations will resort to the root of Jesse, who will stand as a <sup>[b]</sup>signal for the peoples; and His resting place will be <sup>[c]</sup>glorious. <sup>11</sup> Then it will happen on that day that the Lord will again recover the second time with His hand the remnant of His people, who will remain, from Assyria, Egypt, Pathros, Cush, Elam, Shinar, Hamath, and from the <sup>[d]</sup>islands of the sea. <sup>12</sup> And He will lift up a standard for the nations and assemble the banished ones of Israel, and will gather the dispersed of Judah From the four corners of the earth. (**Book of the Prophet Isaiah 11:1-12**) **Fervorino**

**Novena Prayer:** Hope and Wisdom to become the Blessing of the Peacemakers  
(recite together)

**Bend the stubborn heart and will, melt the frozen warm the chill. Guide the steps that go astray!**

**The Gift of Wisdom** (recite together)

Embodying all the other gifts, as charity embraces all the other virtues, Wisdom is the most perfect of the gifts. Of wisdom it is written "all good things came to me with her, and innumerable riches through her hands." It is the gift of Wisdom that strengthens our faith, fortifies hope, perfects charity, and promotes the practice of virtue in the highest degree. Wisdom enlightens the mind to discern and relish things divine, in the appreciation of which earthly joys lose their savor, whilst the Cross of Christ yields a divine sweetness according to the words of the Saviour: "Take up thy cross and follow me, for my yoke is sweet and my burden light.

**Prayer** (recite together)

Come, O Spirit of Wisdom, and reveal to my soul the mysteries of heavenly things, their exceeding greatness, power and beauty. Teach me to love them above and beyond all the passing joys and satisfactions of earth. Help me to attain them and possess them forever. Amen.

**Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.**

**Act of Consecration, Prayer for the Seven Gifts** (recite together)

**Day Nine: Fruits of the Holy Spirit and share in the Blessing those who Suffer with Christ**

**Sacred Scripture:** “It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery...<sup>5</sup> For we through the Spirit, by faith, are waiting for the hope of righteousness.<sup>6</sup> For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything, but faith working through love.<sup>7</sup> You were running well...<sup>10</sup> I have confidence in you in the Lord that you will adopt no other view; but the one who is disturbing you will bear his judgment, whoever he is...<sup>13</sup> For you were called to freedom, brethren; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.<sup>14</sup> For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the statement, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”<sup>15</sup> But if you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.<sup>16</sup> But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.<sup>17</sup> For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.<sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.<sup>19</sup> Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality,<sup>20</sup> idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions,<sup>21</sup> envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,<sup>23</sup> gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.<sup>24</sup> Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.<sup>25</sup> If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.<sup>26</sup> Let us not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another” (Saint Paul’s Letter to the Galatians 5:1,5-7a,10,13-26). **Fervorino**

**Novena Prayer:** *Fruits of the Holy Spirit and share in the Blessing those who Suffer with Christ*  
**Prayer** (recite together)

***Thou, on those who evermore Thee confess and Thee Adore, in Thy sevenfold gift, Descend; Give Them Comfort when they die; Give them Life with Thee on high; Give them joys which never end. Amen***

**Prayer** (recite together)

*The gifts of the Holy Spirit perfect the supernatural virtues by enabling us to practice them with greater docility to divine inspiration. As we grow in the knowledge and love of God under the direction of the Holy Spirit, our service becomes more sincere and generous, the practice of virtue more perfect. Such acts of virtue leave the heart filled with joy and consolation and are known as Fruits of the Holy Spirit. These Fruits in turn render the practice of virtue more attractive and become a powerful incentive for still greater efforts in the service of God, to serve Whom is to reign.*

**Prayer** (recite together)

*Come, O Divine Spirit, fill my heart with Thy heavenly fruits, Thy charity, joy, peace, patience, benignity, goodness, faith, mildness, and temperance, that I may never weary in the service of God, but by continued faithful submission to Thy inspiration may merit to be united eternally with Thee in the love of the Father and the Son. Amen.*

**Our Father and Hail Mary ONCE. Glory be to the Father SEVEN TIMES.**

**Act of Consecration, Prayer for the Seven Gifts** (recite together)

**DIVINUM ILLUD MUNUS**  
**ENCYCLICAL OF POPE LEO XIII**  
**ON THE HOLY SPIRIT**

***An Annual Novena Decreed (paragraph 13&14)***

*“Wherefore, We decree and command that throughout the whole Catholic Church, this year and in every subsequent year, a Novena shall take place before Whit-Sunday, in all parish churches, and also, if the local Ordinaries think fit, in other churches and oratories. To all who take part in this Novena and duly pray for Our intention, We grant for each day an Indulgence of seven years and seven quarantines; moreover, a Plenary Indulgence on any one of the days of the Novena, or on Whit-Sunday itself, or on any day during the Octave; provided they shall have received the Sacraments of Penance and the Holy Eucharist, and devoutly prayed for Our intention. We will that those who are legitimately prevented from attending the Novena, or who are in places where the devotions cannot, in the judgment of the Ordinary, be conveniently carried out in church, shall equally enjoy the same benefits, provided they make the Novena privately and observe the other conditions. Moreover We are pleased to grant, in perpetuity, from the Treasury of the Church, that whosoever, daily during the Octave of Pentecost up to Trinity Sunday inclusive, offer again publicly or privately any prayers, according to their devotion, to the Holy Ghost, and satisfy the above conditions, shall a second time gain each of the same Indulgences. All these Indulgences We also permit to be applied to the suffrage of the souls in Purgatory.*

*“And now Our mind and heart turn back to those hopes with which We began, and for the accomplishment of which We earnestly pray, and will continue to pray, to the Holy Ghost. Unite, then, Venerable Brethren, your prayers with Ours, and at your exhortation let all Christian peoples add their prayers also, invoking the powerful and ever-acceptable intercession of the Blessed Virgin. You know well the intimate and wonderful relations existing between her and the Holy Ghost, so that she is justly called His Spouse. The intercession of the Blessed Virgin was of great avail both in the mystery of the Incarnation and in the coming of the Holy Ghost upon the Apostles. May she continue to strengthen our prayers with her suffrages, that, in the midst of all the stress and trouble of the nations, those divine prodigies may be happily revived by the Holy Ghost, which were foretold in the words of David: "Send forth Thy Spirit and they shall be created, and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth" (Ps. ciii., 30).*

*15. As a pledge of Divine favor and a testimony of Our affection, Venerable Brethren, to you, to your Clergy, and people, We gladly impart in the Lord the Apostolic Benediction.*

*Given at St. Peter's, in Rome, on the 9th day of May, 1897, in the 20th year of Our Pontificate.*

**LEO XIII**