

10 days



To prepare for the Solemnity of the

HOLY SPIRIT



THANKS TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

THE APOSTLES HAD
THE COURAGE AND DARING
TO GO FORTH TO PREACH
THE GOSPEL OF JESUS

HE IS THE ONE WHO MAKES
THE CHANGE
THE TRANSFORMATION.

THE HOLY SPIRIT
IS CAPABLE OF
WONDROUS THINGS
THAT WE CANNOT
EVEN IMAGINE.

POPE FRANCIS

**1 PRAYER
TO THE
HOLY SPIRIT**

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**1 TEXT
TO PRAY**

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**1 MISSION
THE**

HOLY SPIRIT

SENDS YOU

EACH DAY

COME, O HOLY SPIRIT!

ENLIGHTEN MY MIND TO KNOW YOUR COMMANDS;

STRENGTHEN MY HEART

AGAINST THE SNARES OF THE ENEMY; INFLAME MY WILL...

I HAVE HEARD YOUR VOICE, AND I
DON'T WANT TO HARDEN MYSELF AND
RESIST, SAYING "LATER..., TOMORROW."

NUN C C O E P I!

N O W I B E G I N!

IN CASE THERE IS NO

T O M O R R O W F O R M E.

O SPIRIT OF TRUTH AND WISDOM,

SPIRIT OF UNDERSTANDING

A N D C O U N S E L,

SPIRIT OF JOY AND PEACE!

I W A N T W H A T E V E R Y O U W A N T.

I W A N T B E C A U S E Y O U W A N T,

I W A N T H O W E V E R Y O U W A N T,

I W A N T W H E N E V E R Y O U W A N T.

DAY 1

1 PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 TEXT

At times, someone has told me: "Father, I feel tired and cold; when I pray or fulfil some other norm of piety, I seem to be acting out a farce."

*To that friend, and to you, if you are in the same boat, I answer: A farce? What an excellent thing, my child! Act out that farce! **The Lord is your audience** -- the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The Blessed Trinity is contemplating us in those moments when we are "acting out a farce."*

Acting like that in front of God, out of love, in order to please him, when our whole life goes against the grain: how splendid, to be God's juggler! How marvellous it is to play one's part for Love, with sacrifice, without any personal satisfaction, just in order to please Our Lord!

That indeed is to live for Love.

Forge 485

1 MISSION

To make the determined resolution that **we will love God for what he is in himself** and not for what he gives or promises us.

DAY 2

1 PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 TEXT

*Only when a man is faithful to grace and **decides to place the cross in the centre of his soul**, denying himself for the love of God, detaching himself in a real way from all selfishness and false human security, only then — **when a man lives by faith in a real way** — will he receive the fullness of the great fire, the great light, the great comfort of the Holy Spirit.*

*It is then, too, **that the soul begins to experience the peace and freedom which Christ has won for us**, and which are given to us with the grace of the Holy Spirit.*

Christ Is Passing By, 137

1 MISSION

To ask and seek **the peace for my soul**, habitual disposition for the Holy Spirit to dwell always in me. To detect what takes away my peace.

DAY 3

1 PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 TEXT

*A sure way to be humble is to contemplate how, even without talents, fame or fortune, we can **be effective instruments if we go to the Holy Spirit so that He may grant us his gifts.***

The apostles, though they had been taught by Jesus for three years, fled in terror from the enemies of Christ. But after Pentecost they let themselves be flogged and imprisoned, and ended up giving their lives in witness to their faith.

Furrow 283

1 MISSION

To take seriously my time of prayer. In this way I will enter your life and together we will give testimony of my faith.

DAY 4

1 PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 TEXT

You tell me: I have made up my mind to go more often to the Paraclete, to ask him for his light.

*Good. But remember, my child, that the **Holy Spirit comes as a result of the Cross.***

Forge 759

***This is what Our Lord wants, for we need it if we are to follow him closely.** There is no other way. This is the work of the Holy Spirit in each soul -- in yours.*

Be docile and present no obstacles to God, until he makes your poor flesh like that of Jesus on the Cross.

Furrow 978

1 MISSION

Mortification. To offer up to Him what costs me, my difficulties. To help him to carry the Cross.

DAY 5

1 PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 TEXT

*First of all docility, because it is the Holy Spirit who, with his inspirations, gives a supernatural tone to our thoughts, desires and actions. It is he who leads us to receive Christ's teaching and to assimilate it in a profound way. It is he who gives us the **light** by which we perceive our personal calling and the **strength to carry out all that God expects of us**. If we are docile to the Holy Spirit, the image of Christ will be formed more and more fully in us, and we will be brought closer every day to God the Father. "For whoever are led by the Spirit of God, they are the children of God."*

Christ is Passing By 135

1 MISSION

To train my docility. To ask for light and strength to love whatever You love.

DAY 6

1 PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 TEXT

They knew that Jesus alone could give them words of eternal life, and they were ready to follow him and to give their lives for him. But they were weak, and in the time of trial, they fled and left him alone.

*On Pentecost all that is a thing of the past. The Holy Spirit, who is **the Spirit of strength, has made them firm, strong, daring.** The word of the Apostles resounds forcefully through the streets of Jerusalem.*

Christ is Passing By 127

1 MISSION

To ask the gift of fortitude and to train myself to overcome the difficulties that I may find in my path of fidelity to God.

DAY 7

1 PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 TEXT

*Beyond all human deficiencies and limitations, the Church is the sign and in a certain sense, though not in the strict sense in which the Church has defined the nature of the seven sacraments of the new law, the universal sacrament of the presence of God in the world. To be a Christian is to be reborn of God and sent to men **to announce the news of salvation**. If we had a strong and manly faith, a living faith, if we were bold in making Christ known to others, we would see with our own eyes miracles such as those that took place in the times of the Apostles.*

Christ is Passing By 127

1 MISSION

To dream with the miracles that I will see if I live with faith and audacity my Christian life.

DAY 8

1 PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 TEXT

An act of complete acceptance of the will of God: 'Is that what you want, Lord?... Then, it's what I want also!'

The Way 762

There are three important things you need to do to draw people to God. Forget yourself, and think only of the glory of your Father God. Subject your will filially to the Will of Heaven, as Jesus Christ taught you. Follow with docility the lights of the Holy Spirit.

Furrow 793

1 MISSION

To grow up in trusting God. To ask you, without fear, what is the plan that you have thought for me to be happy. To trust you.

DAY 9

1 PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 TEXT

Jesus says: "He who hears you hears me."

Do you still think it is your words that convince people? Don't forget either that the Holy Spirit can carry out his plans with the most useless instrument.

Forge 671

'Proclaim the Good News. .. I shall be with you...' It is Jesus who has said this... and he has said it to you.

The Way 904

1 MISSION

To ask the gift of counsel to help the others and to give them direction in their encounter with God.

DAY 10

1 PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 TEXT

*To live according to the Holy Spirit means **to live by faith and hope and charity** — to allow God **to take possession of our lives and to change our hearts**, to make us resemble him more and more. A mature and profound christian life cannot be improvised, because it is the result of the growth of God's grace in us. In the Acts of the Apostles we find the early christian community described in a single sentence, brief but full of meaning: "and they continued steadfastly in the teaching of the apostles and in the communion of the breaking of the bread and in prayers."*

Christ is Passing By 134

1 MISSION

To come back to the essence, to live in conformity with the three theological virtues:
faith, hope and charity.