



Prayer for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Ghost 1

O LORD JESUS CHRIST, Who before ascending into Heaven didst promise to send the Holy Ghost to finish Thy work in the souls of Thine Apostles and Disciples, deign to grant the same Holy Spirit to me, that He may perfect in my soul the work of Thy grace and Thy 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 Thy Divine truth; the Spirit of 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 Thee 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; 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 Thy true disciples, and animate me in all things with Thy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer for the Gifts of the Holy Spirit 2

O HOLY SPIRIT, grant me the **Gift of Wisdom**, the supernatural light in which I may know God more clearly as the Supreme Being, His omnipotence, His eternity, His goodness and His glory, and that I may taste and enjoy with an enraptured soul the ineffable sweetness of His love.

O Holy Spirit, impart to me the **Gift of Understanding**, the clear light revealing to my mind the mysteries of faith, the things that are above; not "darkly as in a mirror," but in a clear and convincing manner in order to captivate my heart.

O Holy Spirit, impart to me the **Gift of Counsel**, the guiding ray of light that will enable me to choose what is true and right whenever I am assailed by doubts or dangers and that will infallibly lead to my last aim and end.

O Holy Spirit, impart to me the **Gift of Fortitude**, the strengthening ray of light that will aid me to overcome all temptations, all difficulties and hardships in the way of salvation with a generous soul, and to persevere in fidelity and love in spite of all obstacles and trials.

O Holy Spirit, impart to me the **Gift of Knowledge**, that illuminating light that will not only teach me the truth in all things pertaining to my salvation, but will make me despise what is deserving of contempt and love what is worthy of being loved.

O Holy Spirit, impart to me the **Gift of Piety**, that heavenly light which, entering into the depths of my being, will not only strongly incline my heart to love Divine worship and the liturgical services of the Church, but to practice cheerfully all that true godliness requires of me.

O Holy Spirit, impart to me the **Gift of the Fear of the Lord**. Let its Divine light penetrate my soul and fill it with such a reverence and awe of the Divine Majesty as to make me not only dread every sin as an offense against the great God, but also to shun carefully whatever in the least degree wounds Divine charity. Amen.