

seech Thee, the intentions of this novena. May Thy will be done in me and through me. Mayest Thou be praised and glorified forevermore! Amen.

Another Prayer to the Holy Spirit

O HOLY Spirit, divine spirit of light and love, I consecrate to Thee my understanding, heart, and will, my whole being for time and for eternity. May my understanding be always submissive to Thy heavenly inspirations, and to the teaching of the Catholic Church, of which Thou art the infallible guide; may my heart be ever inflamed with love of God and of my neighbor; may my will be ever conformed to the divine will, and may my whole life be a faithful imitation of the life and virtues of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to Whom with the Father and Thee be honor and glory for ever. Amen.

300 days, once a day. — Pius X, June 5, 1908.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit for the Church

O HOLY Spirit, Creator, be propitious to the Catholic Church; and by Thy heavenly power make it strong and secure against the attacks of its enemies; and renew in charity and grace the spirit of Thy servants, whom Thou hast anointed, that they may glorify Thee and the Father and His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

300 days, once a day. — Leo XIII, Aug. 26, 1889.

Short Indulgenced Prayer to the Holy Ghost

HOLY Spirit, Spirit of truth, come into our hearts; shed the brightness of Thy light on all nations, that they may be one in faith and pleasing to Thee.

100 days, once a day. — Leo XIII, July 31, 1897.

Invocation to the Holy Ghost

Veni Sancte Spiritus

COME, O Holy Ghost, fill the hearts
of Thy faithful, and kindle in them
the fire of Thy love.

300 days, every time. — Pius X, May 8, 1907.

Versicle, Response, and Prayer

SEND forth Thy Spirit, and they shall
be created.

R. And Thou shalt renew the face of
the earth.

Let us pray

O GOD, Who didst instruct the
hearts of the faithful by the light
of the Holy Spirit, grant us, by the
same Spirit, to relish what is right and
ever to rejoice in His consolation.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers in Honor of Our Lord

Moments before the Tabernacle

IN MY moments before the taber-
nacle I will try to obey the pious
counsels contained in the Latin distich.

<p>“Crede, dole, spera, grates age, dilige, adora,</p>	<p>“Believe, and grieve, and hope; thank, love, adore,</p>
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<p>Vulnera pande animæ, donaque sancta pete.”</p>	<p>Show your soul's wounds and holy gifts implore.”</p>
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BELIEVING all that Thou, my God,
hast in any way revealed to us—
grieving for all my sins, offenses, and
negligences—hoping in Thee, O Lord,
Who wilt never let me be confounded
—thanking Thee for this supreme gift,
and for all the gifts of Thy goodness
—loving Thee, above all in this sacra-
ment of Thy love—adoring Thee in
this deepest mystery of Thy conde-

scension: I lay before Thee all the wounds and wants of my poor soul and ask for all that I need and desire. But I need only Thyself, O Lord; I desire none but Thee — Thy grace, and the grace to use well Thy graces, the possession of Thee by grace in this life, and the possession of Thee forever in the eternal kingdom of Thy glory. Thus, day by day, especially during my moments before the tabernacle, I will “Believe, and grieve, and hope; thank, love, adore,
 “Show my soul’s wounds, and holy gifts implore.” — *Fr. Matthew Russell, S. J.*

Prayer of St. Alphonsus Liguori for a
 Visit to the Blessed Sacrament

LORD Jesus Christ, Who, through the love which Thou bearest to men, dost remain with them day and night in this sacrament, full of mercy and of love, expecting, inviting, and receiving all who come to visit Thee, I

believe that Thou art present in the Sacrament of the Altar. From the abyss of my nothingness I adore Thee, and I thank Thee for all the favors which Thou hast bestowed upon me, particularly for having given me Thyself in this sacrament, for having given me for my advocate Thy most holy Mother, Mary, and for having called me to visit Thee in this church.

I this day salute Thy most loving Heart, and I wish to salute it for three ends: first, in thanksgiving for this great gift; secondly, in compensation for all the injuries Thou hast received from Thy enemies in this sacrament; thirdly, I wish by this visit to adore Thee in all places in which Thou art least honored and most abandoned in the Holy Sacrament. My Jesus, I love Thee with my whole heart. I am sorry for having hitherto offended Thy infinite goodness. I purpose, with the assistance of Thy grace, never more to

offend Thee; and, at this moment, miserable as I am, I consecrate my whole being to Thee. I give Thee my entire will, all my affections and desires, and all that I have. From this day forward, do what Thou wilt with me, and with whatever belongs to me. I ask and desire only Thy holy love, the gift of final perseverance, and the perfect accomplishment of Thy will. I recommend to Thee the souls in purgatory, particularly those who were most devoted to the Blessed Sacrament and to most holy Mary; and I also recommend to Thee all poor sinners. Finally, my dear Saviour, I unite all my affections with the affections of Thy most loving Heart; and, thus united, I offer them to Thy eternal Father, and I entreat Him, in Thy name, and for Thy sake, to accept them. — *The New Raccolta.*

300 days, every time, when said before the Blessed Sacrament. — Pius IX, Sept. 7, 1854.

An Act of Spiritual Communion, by
St. Alphonsus Liguori

MY JESUS, I believe that Thou art in the Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things, and I long for Thee in my soul. Since I can not now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace Thee and unite myself entirely to Thee; never permit me to be separated from Thee.

Jesus, my good, my sweet love,
Wound, inflame this heart of mine,
So that it may be always and all on
fire for Thee!

Aspirations

O JESUS, sweetest love, come Thou to me;
Come down in all Thy beauty unto me;
Thou Who didst die for longing love of
me;
And never, never more depart from me.

Free me, O beauteous God, from all
but Thee;
Sever the chain that holds me back
from Thee;
Call me, O tender love, I cry to Thee;
Thou art my all! O bind me close to
Thee. — *Shapcote.*

A Prayer for the Holy Hour or for any
Visit to the Blessed Sacrament

O JESUS, humbly kneeling in Thy
presence and united with all the
faithful on earth and all the saints in
heaven, I adore Thee, true God and
true man, here present in the Holy
Eucharist. Grateful even to the very
depths of my soul, I love Thee with
my whole heart, O Jesus, Who art
infinitely perfect and infinitely amiable.
Enrich me with Thy grace, so that I
shall never in any way offend Thee;
and, thus strengthened here on earth
by Thy eucharistic presence, may I
merit to enjoy with Mary Thy eternal

and blessed presence in heaven.
Amen.

Ejaculations

O JESUS in the Blessed Sacrament,
have mercy on us.

300 days, every time. — Pius X, May 20, 1911.

DAY the Heart of Jesus in the Most
Blessed Sacrament be praised,
adored, and loved with grateful affec-
tion, at every moment, in all the taber-
nacles of the world, even to the end of
time. Amen.

100 days, once a day. — Pius IX, Feb. 29, 1868.

O SACRAMENT most holy! O Sac-
rament divine!
All praise and all thanksgiving be every
moment Thine!

300 days, every time. — Pius X, April 10, 1913.

OUR Lady of the most holy Sacra-
ment, pray for us.

*300 days, every time, when said before the
Blessed Sacrament exposed. — Pius X, January 10,
1906.*

Short Indulgenced Visit to the Blessed Sacrament

His Holiness, Pope Pius IX, by a brief, Sept. 15, 1876, granted to all the faithful who, with at least contrite heart and devotion, shall visit the Most Blessed Sacrament, and say before it the Our Father, the Hail Mary, and the Glory be to the Father, each five times, and another Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be to the Father, for peace and union among Christian princes, for the extirpation of heresy, for the conversion of sinners, and for the triumph of holy Mother Church, an indulgence of 300 days, every time.

Prayer to Jesus in the Sacrament of the Altar

DEAR Jesus, in the Sacrament of the Altar, be forever thanked and praised. Love, worthy of all celestial and terrestrial love! Who, out of infinite love for me, ungrateful sinner, didst assume our human nature, didst shed Thy most precious blood in the cruel scourging, and didst expire on a shameful cross for our eternal welfare! Now, illumined with lively faith, with

the outpouring of my whole soul and the fervor of my heart, I humbly beseech Thee, through the infinite merits of Thy painful sufferings, give me strength and courage to destroy every evil passion which sways my heart, to bless Thee in my greatest afflictions, to glorify Thee by the exact fulfilment of all my duties, supremely to hate all sin, and thus to become a saint.

100 days, once a day. — Pius IX, January 1, 1866.

Prayer

For the Church and the Supreme Pontiff; for Relatives, Friends, and Benefactors; for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, etc.

O MOST sacred Heart of Jesus, pour down Thy blessings abundantly upon Thy Church, upon the Supreme Pontiff, and upon all the clergy; give perseverance to the just, convert sinners, enlighten unbelievers, bless our parents, friends, and bene-