



## SIMPLE NOVENA PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

*Adapted from a prayer of St. Augustine of Hippo*

O Holy Spirit, Love of God, infuse Thy grace!

O do Thou plentifully descend into my heart! Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling. Dwell in that soul that longs to be Thy temple! Water that barren soil, overrun with weeds and briars and lost to fruitfulness for want of cultivating. Make it fruitful with Thy gracious beams, Thy dew from Heaven. O come, Thou, refreshment of them who languish and faint! Come, Thou star and guide of them that sail in the tempestuous sea, the world; Thou, only haven of the tossed and shipwrecked!

[Mention your intention here.]

Come, Holy Spirit, in much mercy! Make me fit to receive Thee. Amen.

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