

COMMUNITY OF MARY FAMILY OF THE GOSPEL MEETING GUIDE



III: Invoke the Holy Spirit to Come



I: Offer Praise and Thanksgiving to God the Father

(Sing one verse after each thanksgiving or praise)

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ His Son

Give thanks

II: Entrust Ourselves to Mary

Prayer to Mary

O Mary,
received from Jesus Crucified,
I welcome You as my Mother.
I enclose myself in your Heart.
I give myself to you,
soul and body, all my thoughts,
affections and plans,
so that Your Divine Spouse,
the Holy Spirit, Ruach,
may renew and transform me in
Jesus, for the glory of Abba,
God the Father. Amen.

Come, Holy Spirit

(Veni, Sancte Spiritus)

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. And enkindle in them the fire of your love.

V. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.

R. And you shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray. O God, Who did instruct the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise, and ever to rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

IV: Proclaim the Word of God

(Read and reflect the coming Sunday's Gospel)



V: Offer Prayer of Intercession

(Pray for the Church and our personal needs)

Say **"Let us pray for"** [our Pope, all the consecrated and lay people, the Church and world leaders, the dying and souls in purgatory, and families]

(After each petition, say "We pray to the Lord" and response "Lord hear our prayer")

VI: Recite a Decade of the Rosary

Say **Our Father**, 1 **Hail Mary** per person (at least 10), and **Glory Be**.

VII: Consecrate Ourselves to Jesus

(Commit to take care of one another)

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

O Jesus, our Love, our All,
in the Holy Spirit,
with Mary and in Mary, we consecrate ourselves to You.

Love and splendor of the Father, You are our joy, our song, our hope, our entire Good.

Live yourself in us, that we might:
live with Your life,
love with Your Heart,
think with Your thoughts,
feel with Your feelings,
see with Your eyes,
suffer with Your Cross.

Teach us to spend ourselves with You, without reserve, for our brothers, to make our life a gift of love, to see You always and everywhere, especially in those who suffer, and to live every moment, smiling and with patience, with mercy and forgiveness, sharing all we have, as witnesses of Your Love and messengers of Your Joy.

We ask You to make us a Spiritual Family: to live one for the other, so that You might live fully in each one of us;

to love each other as You love us, so that the world might believe that the Father has sent You;

to be of one heart and one soul, so that You can accomplish, through us as well, Your dream of Unity for the Church and the world.

Conquer, O Jesus, all our resistance! Bring us back to you when we go astray!

Act within us: treat us as Your own, now and forever, for the triumph of Your Love. Amen.

PETITION TO OBTAIN THE LIBERATION FROM THE TRAPS OF SATAN AND THE HEALING FROM THE INFIRMITIES

In the name of the Father, of the Son, of the Holy Spirit. *Reading from the Gospel according to Matthew:* Jesus continued his tour of all the towns and villages. He taught in their synagogues, he proclaimed the good news of Gods reign, and he cured every sickness and disease. At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity. They were lying prostrate from exhaustion, like sheep without a shepherd. [...] Then he summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority to expel unclean spirits and to cure sickness and disease of every kind (Mt 9,35-36;10,1).

I: O Jesus Crucified, You, holy body given for us, You, blood poured out for our salvation through your obedience, You ransomed the disobedience of Adam, with your humility you defeated the pride of Satan, the rebellious angel, the enemy of mankind. Seeing you, hearing only your Holy Name he trembles like a leaf in the wind. Your word and your Holy Spirit are an irresistible power, that illumines the hidden folds of our passions, where the liar infiltrates himself to create confusion and division. Lamb of God, you, who take away the sins of the world, free us from the Evil One and from every kind of evil. Refrain: **Save us, Lord Jesus**

II: Save us, Jesus! Satan does everything, to take the place of God in us and to reduce us to slavery, giving us the illusion of conquering power and liberty. You have won him forever, but in your infinite wisdom you permit him to wonder like a roaring lion (1 Pt 5,8) to keep us humble and to show us your mercy. As he isn't able to resist to your Cross, he comes to take it away from us. Come, Jesus, with your holy angels, Michael, who combats for us (Rev 12,7), Gabriel, who announced you to Mary, Raphael, who accompanied Tobia, come with my guardian angel, put to shame the tempter, from whose hands you saved us through your death and resurrection. Refrain: **Save us, Lord Jesus**

III: Forgive us, o Redeemer! We surrender too much to the devil, rodent worm of our peace, of the unity of our families, of the communion of the church, of social justice, of the harmony among the peoples. Playing on our weaknesses he drives us to the ruins of this life and of the next. But you love us, o Lord, You are the most High, the Almighty, the strong One, who made yourself weak, the Lamb slain for our salvation. You are the Victorious who put in chains the 'chief of this world' (Jo 16,11) who brought us to ruin. From your holy cross draw all to You (Jn 12,32): O Saviour, have mercy on us. Refrain: **Save us, Lord Jesus**

IV: Defeat, O Jesus, the spirit of the evil one, avid of war and luxury, maker of witchcrafts and magic, father of lies (Jn 8.44). He wants to blind our sight, and sows division among us. Win him with your pierced heart, with your glorious wounds, with the power of your resurrection, with the out pouring of your Holy Spirit, ever new. Grant us to resist him, with the Faith that moves mountains (Mt 17,20) with prayer and fasting, with our faithfulness to your call, living in humility, in love, and in forgiveness. We are yours, O Jesus! Do not abandon us, do not leave us victims of the 'divider', of the blasphemer of your Holy Name! Refrain: **Save us, Lord Jesus**

V: O Jesus crucified, the Evil one attacks us from the outside, but wickedness is already within us. You have said it: 'Wickedness comes from the deep recesses of the heart such as acts of fornication, theft, murder, adulterous conduct, greed, maliciousness, deceit, sensuality, envy, an obtuse spirit' (Mk, 7, 21-22) Yes, we have sinned! Forgive us, O Jesus, and purify us with the ablution of your mercy, with the sacrament of your forgiveness. You healed the sick, O doctor of the soul and of the body, sustain us in every infirmity, relieve us and heal us, according to your will. Grant us wisdom and discernment, to distinguish the traps of Satan from the psychical fragility that he takes advantage of. Give us the courage to face this fragility and to cure it. O Jesus crucified, do not permit Satan to sing his victory, making vain the blood you poured out for us. Refrain: **Save us, Lord Jesus**

VI: You too, Mary, come, Immaculate Virgin, Mother of God, triumphant on the old tempter, the Evil One, who sets a trap in vain on the seed born of you (Gn 3,15), and furiously rushes to steal your sons saved by the last breath of Jesus crucified: 'Women, there is your Son' (Jn 19.26). Wrap us, O Mary, with your maternal embrace. Come with the Son conceived in your womb, with the love of the Father, who chose you, with the breath of the Holy Spirit, your Spouse, to make of our family, of our house, of our community, the joyful place of your Magnificat. "My soul magnifies the Lord, My spirit rejoices in God my Savior" (Lc 1, 46). Show us Jesus, as at the wedding of Cana: 'Do whatever he tells you' (Jo 2,5), and our poor water may transform itself into the new wine of his love. Refrain: **Save us, Lord Jesus**

VII: Son of God, touch our body and our soul, give us serenity, health and holiness. Heal our wounded relationships, and crush the social structures of sin, which oppress the poor and kill life. Be gone from us, Satan, be gone from us! Praise to you, Jesus, be praise to you, our supreme Good. Be always, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, the secret of our joy. Praise to you, Jesus, be praise to You, with Mary, the Angels and the Saints. Be all our love, now and forever. Come, o new heaven and o new earth" (Rv 21,1). Jesus, our Lord and Savior, the Spirit and the Spouse, your Church, cry out: come! (Rv 22,17)

Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus! Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus! Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus! Amen. Amen. Alleluia

*Now, in communion with all the Church, in union with the praises of Mary, the Angels and all the Saints, let us pray as Jesus taught us: **OUR FATHER...***
Concluding prayer: *Almighty and eternal God, who do not want the death but the life of your sons and daughters and have loved the world so much to give up your only begotten Son for our salvation, receive our prayers and deign to answer them for the glory of your Name. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

One can conclude the prayer with a blessing, using the holy water, recalling our baptism, with the words: **May the Almighty God bless us, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.** The blessing is given by a priest or a deacon, if they are present.
It can be concluded also by the blessing with the most Holy Sacrament, if the petition is made during adoration.

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