



Novena to the Holy Spirit: Day 3



Jesus said,

**“You know him, because he abides with you,
and he will be in you” (Jn 14:17)**

One of the roles of the Holy Spirit in our lives is to be like a “pilot” guiding us. We are faced daily with decisions to take, options to choose from and actions to do. We need to know how to discern the right direction. The Spirit of Truth dwells within us as a gentle voice teaching us the right thing to do. So it is important to “listen to that voice” inside us. St. Augustine says: “Truth dwells within each person.”

Experience. John Henry Newman was a famous Professor of Oxford. He came to Ireland to establish a Catholic University. He is famous for his sincere search to follow God’s ways in her personal faith journey but also in the face of opposition from fellow academics, journalists, church people and lawyers. He placed a great emphasis on the role of conscience in our lives. Conscience, he said, “is nearer to me than any other means of knowledge”. Conscience is not a feeling or a simply my desire. It is the ability to know what is right and what is wrong. Conscience is God’s messenger to us.

Action: As you go through the day, try to listen to the voice of the Holy Spirit within you.

Request: In silence make your request-petition.

Prayer: Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



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