

Day Five: The Gift of Knowledge

Opening Songs:

Lord I Need You

Lord I come I confess Bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart You're the one that guides my heart

Lord I need You oh I need You Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness Oh God how I need You

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free Holiness is Christ in me
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So teach my song to rise to You When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You Jesus You're my hope and stay
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Great Are You, Lord

You give life You are love You bring light to the darkness
You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken And great are You Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing Great are You Lord

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Pray:

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

Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created.

And you shall renew the face of the earth.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit:

On my knees I, before the great multitude of heavenly witnesses, offer myself, soul and body to you, Eternal Spirit of God. I adore the brightness of your purity, the unerring keenness of your justice and the might of your love. You are the strength and light of my soul. In you I live and move and am. I desire never to grieve you by unfaithfulness to grace and I pray with all my heart to be kept from the smallest sin against you. Mercifully guard my every thought and grant that I may always watch for your light, and listen to your voice, and follow your gracious inspirations. I cling to you and give myself to you and ask you by your compassion to watch over me in my weakness. Holding the pierced feet of Jesus and looking at his five wounds, and trusting in his Precious Blood and adoring his opened side and stricken heart, I implore you, Adorable Spirit, Helper of my infirmity, to keep me in your grace that I may never sin against you. Give me grace O Holy Spirit, Spirit of the Father and the Son to say to you always and everywhere, "Speak Lord for your servant is listening." Amen

Saint Intercession: St. Henry Morse (1595-1645) was born an English Protestant but became a Jesuit priest and returned to England to serve covertly. Much of his work consisted in serving victims of the plague, both in the 1624 outbreak and again (after he had been banished from England but secretly returned) in 1635. In 1635-1636, Morse contracted the plague three times but recovered each time. When he was later captured, his work with plague victims was considered and he was released. The next time he was captured, there was no such clemency, and Morse was martyred.

L: St. Henry **All:** Pray for us.

Pope Francis shares

"The Church needs the Holy Spirit! How could we do without it! Every Christian in his or her life requires a heart open to the sanctifying action of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit, promised by the Father, is he who reveals Jesus Christ to us, but who makes us...gives us the possibility to say: Jesus! Without the Spirit, we could not

say this. He reveals Jesus Christ, who leads us to a personal encounter with him, and who, in so doing, changes our life. A question: Is this your experience? Share it with others! In order to share this experience, you must live it and witness to it!”

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 13: 8b-13

Charity never falls away: whether prophecies shall be made void, or tongues shall cease, or knowledge shall be destroyed. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child. But, when I became a man, I put away the things of a child. We see now through a glass in a dark manner; but then face to face. Now, I know in part; but then I shall know even as I am known. And now there remain faith, hope and charity, these three, but the greatest of these is charity.

Response: Turn to us with mercy, Lord; we have sinned against you.

Direct our hearts to better things, O Lord; heal our sin and ignorance. Lord, do not face us suddenly with death but give us time to repent.

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Help us God, our savior, rescue us for the honor of your name.

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Reflection – Fr. Anstoetter

Knowledge

I often wish God would send me a fax that spells out His plans. However, the Holy Spirit is always available to direct us on the paths we should follow, even supernaturally if necessary. He also points out the dangers to avoid and the goals to reach. Listen to the songs, the scriptures and the people that God puts “coincidentally” into your day. If what they say sounds familiar because the Holy Spirit has already been telling your heart the same thing, trust the message.

Pray Hail Mary, Our Father and 7 Glory Be’s

Meditation: You need to be constantly recharged by the power of the Spirit of God. When weary, take time out to rest. Rest and gain power and strength from

God and then you will be ready to meet whatever opportunities come your way. Rest, allowing every care and worry and fear to be enveloped by grace, then the tide of peace and serenity, love and joy will flow into our consciousness even the midst of suffering.

Final Prayer:

Come and fill me, O Blessed Spirit of Knowledge, and grant that I may perceive the will of the Father in all things in every moment of every day. Give me an awareness of the pointlessness of earthly things and the ugliness of unholy desires, that I may stay pure in all my decisions and use the things of this world only if they bring You glory. Tell me what I need to know for my salvation and for the service of others.

Amen.

Closing Song:

Oceans

You call me out upon the waters The great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find You in the mystery In oceans deep my faith will stand

And I will call upon Your name And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise My soul will rest in Your embrace
For I am Yours and You are mine

Your grace abounds in deepest waters Your sov'reign hand will be my guide
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me You've never failed and You won't start now

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters Wherever You would call me
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger In the presence of my Saviour

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