Prayers for the Papal Conclave

March 1, 2013

Soon the conclave for electing the next Pope will be held in Rome. We pray that Our Lord grants the Holy Catholic Church a worthy successor to St. Peter, one who will finally fulfill Our Lady of Fatima’s requests for the release of the full Third Secret and the Consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

In preparation for the upcoming conclave, we request the faithful to pray the following novena of prayers. The novena consists of the Veni Creator Spiritus, the collect of the votive Mass for the election of a Sovereign Pontiff, a prayer to St. Joseph, and several ejaculations — provided below.

Veni, Creator Spiritus

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Mentes tuorum visita
Impulse superna gratia
Quae tu creasti pectora
Come, Holy Ghost, Creator
Take possession of our souls
Infuse with heavenly grace
The hearts Thou hast created

Qui diceris Paracletus
Altissimi donum Dei
Fons vivus, ignis, caritas
Et Spiritualis unctio
Thou Who art called the Paraclete
Best gift of the Most High God
Living fountain, fire, charity
And spiritual unction

Tu septiformis munere
Digitus paternæ dexteræ
Tu rite promissum Patris
Sermone ditans guttura
Thou sevenfold gift
Finger of God’s right hand
Thou promise of the Father
Teaching speech and understanding

Accende lumen sensibus
Infunde amorem cordibus
Infirma nostri corporis
Virtute firmans perpeti
Enkindle the light of our minds
Pour love into our hearts
The infirmity of our body
Confirm with perpetual strength

Hostem repellas longius
Pacemque dones protinus
Ductore sicut pravio
Vitemus omnem noxium
Repulse the enemy even further
And give peace in his stead
May Thou so lead us
That we evade all harm

Per te sciamus da Patrem
Noscanus atque Filium
Teque utriusque Spiritum
Credamus omni tempore
Through Thee grant us to know
Father as well as Son
And with Both Thee, Spirit, Trinity
Forever may we believe in

Deo Patri sit gloria
Et Filio, qui a mortuis
Surrexit, ac Paraclete
In sæculorum sæcula. Amen.
Let glory be to God the Father
And to the Son, Who from the dead
Has arisen, and the Paraclete
Unto ages of ages. Amen.
Collect for the Election of the Supreme Pontiff
(From the Votive Mass Pro Eligendo Summo Pontifice)

O Lord, with supplicant humility, we entreat Thee, that in Thy boundless mercy Thou wouldst grant the most Holy Roman Church a pontiff, who by his zeal for us, may be pleasing to Thee, and by his good government may be ever honored by Thy people for the glory of Thy name. Through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son who with Thee livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH
(Ad te Beate Joseph – prayer of Pope Leo XIII)

To thee, O blessed Joseph, do we have recourse in our tribulation, and having implored the help of thy thrice holy Spouse, we confidently invoke thy patronage also. By that charity wherewith thou wast united to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God, and by that fatherly affection with which thou didst embrace the Child Jesus, we beseech thee and we humbly pray, that thou wouldest look graciously upon the inheritance which Jesus Christ hath purchased by His Blood, and assist us in our needs by thy power and strength.

Most watchful Guardian of the Holy Family, protect the chosen people of Jesus Christ; keep far from us, most loving father, all blight of error and corruption: mercifully assist us from heaven, most mighty defender, in this our conflict with the powers of darkness; and, even as of old thou didst rescue the Child Jesus from the supreme peril of his life, so now defend God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; keep us one and all under thy continual protection, that we may be supported by thine example and thine assistance, may be enabled to lead a holy life, die a happy death and come at last to the possession of everlasting blessedness in heaven. Amen.

V. Most Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary
R. Pray for us who have recourse to thee!

Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

Sts. Peter and Paul, pray for us.

St. Pius V, pray for us.

St. Pius X, pray for us.