

Father, send Your Spirit upon the Church and endow her with a variety of charisms, roles, and ministries, which the Spirit inspires for her good. **come Holy Spirit.**

Father, send Your Spirit upon missionaries and workers of evangelization that the Good News of salvation may reach the whole world and people may come to know You and Jesus, Your Son, whom You sent. We pray: **come Holy Spirit.**

Father, send Your Spirit upon all of us today. Inspired by Jesus' Gospel, may we work to ensure that justice and solidarity will increase and that a new future will be affirmed. We pray: **come Holy Spirit.**

Father, send Your Holy Spirit on all humankind. As the Spirit broke the walls of enmity and division on the first Pentecost, may it inspire people of different religions and all men and women of goodwill to collaborate and seek peace, understanding and mutual respect. We pray: **come Holy Spirit.**

Father, we lift up to you these special intentions of all the faithful here present (*please add your own intentions*). We pray: **come Holy Spirit.**

Father, we pray for our departed brothers and sisters especially, Phillip Quinones, grant that they may find the glory of Your Resurrection. We pray: **come Holy Spirit.**

God our Father, hear our prayers. May the Holy Spirit continue His work through all the faithful who believe. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father

Saint John Baptist de La Salle....pray for us
All the Lasallian Saints...pray for us
Live Jesus in our hearts....forever.

Call to Worship:

You carry out a work that requires you to touch hearts, but this you cannot do except by the Spirit of God. Pray to him to give you today the same grace he gave the holy apostles, and ask him that, after filling you with his Holy Spirit to sanctify yourselves, he also communicate himself to you in order to procure the salvation of others.

Saint John Baptist de La Salle

Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God.

In the name of
God, Creator and Sustainer of all,
God, Lord and Redeemer of the human family,
and God, our Sanctifier, Defender and Guide.



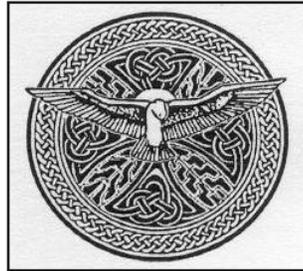
Holy Trinity, One God, -- **Response: have mercy on us.**

Holy Spirit, source of all love, **come dwell in us**
Holy Spirit, through whom all was created, **come dwell in us**
Holy Spirit, bond of the Father and the Son, **come dwell in us**
Holy Spirit, mystery of God's union, **come dwell in us**
Holy Spirit, through whom God is incarnate, **come dwell in us**
Holy Spirit, in whom divinity is mine, **come dwell in us**
Source of every impulse of goodness, **come dwell in us**
Depth of holy thirst, **come dwell in us**
Fountain of parched hearts, **come dwell in us**
Haven of the refugee, **come dwell in us**
Conqueror of the defiant will, **come dwell in us**
Cajoler of the stubborn heart, **come dwell in us**
Jester of the glum, **come dwell in us**
Laugh of the happy child, **come dwell in us**
Propeller of the timid will, **come dwell in us**
Guide of the perplexed, **come dwell in us**
Eloquence of the awkward, **come dwell in us**
Silence of the babbling soul, **come dwell in us**
Solace of the wounded, **come dwell in us**
Companion of the lonely, **come dwell in us**

Courage of the oppressed, *come dwell in us*
Tranquility of the fearful, *come dwell in us*
Fierce fire of forgiveness, *come dwell in us*
Breath of reborn hope, *come dwell in us*
Abiding joy of the faithful, *come dwell in us*
Spirit of all holy desires, *come dwell in us.*

Guide me in this life and protect me in my death,
raising me to perfect union,
so with your saints I may always praise you
and abide in you forever.

Come, Holy Spirit!
Renew us in your love!
Amen Amen Amen



Let us pray:

Merciful Father, grant that Your Divine Spirit may cleanse, inflame and enlighten our minds and hearts. Enable us thereby to be fruitful in good works for the glory of Your Majesty and for the spiritual and material well-being of Your people Redeemed by the Blood of Your Beloved Son. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit. Amen.

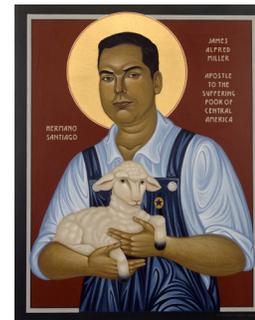
First Reading: A Reading from Saint John Baptist de La Salle

The third favor which Jesus Christ asked of his Eternal Father for his holy apostles in the prayer we read in today's Gospel is great union among themselves. He desires that this union be so close and stable that it resemble the union among the three Divine Persons. It will not be exactly the same, because the three Divine Persons have only one essence, but the union among the apostles would participate in the union of the Trinity in such a way that their union of mind and heart, desired by Jesus Christ for them, would have the same effect as the essential union of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. They would all have one and the same convictions, the same

will, the same affections, the same maxims and practices. This is what Saint Paul recommended to the faithful when writing to them. This is also what was so noticeable among the holy apostles and among the early disciples of Jesus Christ. As Saint Luke tells us in the Acts of the Apostles, they had but one heart and one mind.

Eve of the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ
Meditation 39, Saint John Baptist de La Salle

Second Reading: A Reading from a Letter by Hermano Santiago



I cannot end this letter without asking for your prayers for Guatemala (and for all of Central America). The level of personal violence here is reaching appalling proportions (murders, tortures, kidnappings, threats, etc.) and the Church is being persecuted because of its [preferential] option for the poor and oppressed. The Indian population of Guatemala, caught defenseless between the Army and the rebel forces operation in the country, is taking the brunt of this violence. I am personally weary of violence, but I continue to feel a strong commitment to the suffering poor of Central America.

Prayers of Intercession:

Brother James Miller, Hermano Santiago, a Christian Brother, was martyred on February 13, 1982. May the same Holy Spirit that gave him the courage to risk his life in the defense of the rights of children rest in us today, we pray, **come Holy Spirit.**

Let us ask the heavenly Father to send us the Holy Spirit to aid us in our weakness and to be our advocate and guide. Full of trust, we pray: **come Holy Spirit.**

Father, send Your Spirit into our hearts that we may be empowered to call You "Abba Father!" and live as Your worthy sons and daughters. We pray: **come Holy Spirit.**