

OPENING PRAYER



L: Come, Holy Spirit

R: Fill the hearts of your faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of your love.

L: Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created,

R: and you shall renew the face of the earth.

L: O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit instructed the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Spirit, we may know what is right and always rejoice in his consolation, through Christ our Lord.

R: Amen.

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L: Serve the Lord with gladness.

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L: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing for joy.

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L: Know that he, the Lord, is God.

He made us, we belong to him.

We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

R: Serve the Lord with gladness.

L: Go within his gates, giving thanks.

Enter his courts with songs of praise.

Give thanks to him and bless his name.

R: Serve the Lord with gladness.

L: And now let us pray in the word our Savior gave us. Our Father...

Prayer for the Synod (together)

*Every session of the Second Vatican Council began with the prayer *Adsumus Sancte Spiritus*, meaning "We stand before you, Holy Spirit." This prayer, attributed to St. Isidore of Seville (c. 560-636) has been used historically at Councils, Synods, and other Church gatherings for centuries.*

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen