



# Jesus Youth Recommitment Day Liturgy

Imprimatur:

Most Rev. Abraham Viruthakulangara, Archbishop of Nagpur  
& Ecclesiastical Advisor Jesus Youth, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2009

## 1. INTRODUCTORY

**Lead:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

**L:** Lord, teach us to pray.

**All: Lord, fill us with your Holy Spirit.**

**L:** Glory be to the Father ...

**All: As it was in the ...**

**L:** Let us call upon the Father as Jesus taught us

**All: Our Father who art in heaven ...**

SONG

## 2. PSALTER - Ps. 118

[1] O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

[2] Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

[1] Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

[2] Let those who fear the Lord say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

[1] Out of my distress I called on the Lord; the Lord answered me and set me free.

[2] With the Lord on my side I do not fear. What can man do to me?

[1] The Lord is on my side to help me; I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.

[2] It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put confidence in man.

[1] It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put confidence in princes.

[2] All nations surrounded me; in the name of the Lord I cut them off!

[1] They surrounded me, surrounded me on every side; in the name of the Lord I cut them off!

[2] They surrounded me like bees, they blazed like a fire of thorns; in the name of the Lord I cut them off!

[1] I was pushed hard, so that I was falling, but the Lord helped me.

[2] The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

[1] Glory be ...

[2] As it was ...

[1 & 2] O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

SONG (followed by a time of Praise and Worship)

### 3. WORD OF GOD

Luke 24: 36-49

While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While they were still



incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them. He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Messiah would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And (behold) I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

## 4. REFLECTION ON THE WORD OF GOD

### 5. RESPONSE

Let us welcome the Holy Spirit along with our Mother Church - **'Veni, Creator Spiritus'**

**L:** Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest, and in our souls take up Thy rest.

**All:** Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest, and in our souls take up Thy rest.

**L:** Come with Thy grace and heavenly aid to fill the hearts which Thou hast made.

**All:** Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest, and in our souls take up Thy rest.

**L:** O comforter, to Thee we cry, O heavenly gift of God Most High,  
O fount of life and fire of love, and sweet anointing from above.

**All:** Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest, and in our souls take up Thy rest.

**L:** Thou in Thy sevenfold gifts are known; Thou, finger of God's hand we own; Thou, promise of the Father, Thou Who dost the tongue with power imbue.

- All:** Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest, and in our souls take up Thy rest.
- L:** Kindle our sense from above, and make our hearts overflow with love; with patience firm and virtue high the weakness of our flesh supply.
- All:** Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest, and in our souls take up Thy rest.
- L:** Far from us drive the foe we dread, and grant us Thy peace instead; so shall we not, with Thee for guide, turn from the path of life aside.
- All:** Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest, and in our souls take up Thy rest.
- L:** Oh, may Thy grace on us bestow the Father and the Son to know; and Thee, through endless times confessed, of both the eternal Spirit blest.
- All:** Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest, and in our souls take up Thy rest.
- L:** Now to the Father and the Son, Who rose from death, be glory given, with Thou, O Holy Comforter, henceforth by all in earth and heaven. Amen.
- All:** Come, Holy Spirit, Creator blest, and in our souls take up Thy rest.

## Act of Consecration to the Holy Spirit

On my knees before the great multitude of heavenly witnesses, I 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, so to keep me in Your grace that I may never sin against You. Give me grace O Holy host, Spirit of the Father and the Son, to say to You always and everywhere, "Speak Lord, for Your servant heareth." Amen.

## Litany to the Holy Spirit

Lord, have mercy.  
 Christ, have mercy.  
 Lord, have mercy.  
 Christ, hear our prayer.  
 Christ, receive our prayer.  
 God the Father in Heaven, **bless us.**  
 God the Son, Redeemer of the World, **bless us.**  
 God the Holy Spirit, **bless us.**  
 Holy Trinity, One God, **bless us.**  
 Holy Spirit, equal to the Father and the Son, **come and fill us.**  
 Holy Spirit, promise of the Father, **come and fill us.**  
 Holy Spirit, gift of God, **come and fill us.**  
 Holy Spirit, who renews the face of the earth, **come and fill us.**  
 Holy Spirit, who descended upon Jesus in the form of a dove, **come and fill us.**  
 Holy Spirit, who came upon Mother Mary, **come and fill us.**  
 Holy Spirit, who came upon the disciples at Pentecost and strengthened them, **come and fill us.**  
 Holy Spirit, who filled the early Christian community, **lead us.**



Holy Spirit, who performs miracles and wonders, **lead us.**  
Holy Spirit, who teaches us to be witnesses for Christ, **lead us.**  
Holy Spirit, who sanctifies us with the Word of God, **lead us.**  
Holy Spirit, who dwells within the Church at all times, **lead us.**  
Holy Spirit, who strengthens us through the Sacraments, **lead us.**  
Holy Spirit, who teaches us to pray, **lead us.**  
Holy Spirit, who gives us the strength to overcome temptations, **lead us.**  
Holy Spirit, who makes us aware of sin, **lead us.**  
Holy Spirit, who makes us aware of righteousness, **lead us.**  
Holy Spirit, who teaches us about judgement, **lead us.**  
Holy Spirit, who leads us into perfection of truth, **lead us.**  
Holy Spirit, who gives us life in abundance, **lead us.**  
Spirit of Wisdom, **lead us.**  
Divine Light of Intellect, **lead us.**  
Source of Prudence, **lead us.**  
He who spreads the rays of spiritual strength, **lead us.**  
Light of Knowledge, **lead us.**  
Life-force of Devotion, **lead us.**  
Light of the fear of God, **lead us.**  
Spirit of Faith, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Hope, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Love, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Joy, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Peace, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Humility, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Gentleness, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Forgiveness, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Self-Control, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Goodness, **sanctify us.**

Spirit of Mercy, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Unity, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Holiness, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of Faithfulness, **sanctify us.**  
Spirit of the Children of God, **sanctify us.**  
Protector of the Church, **sanctify us.**  
Source of Divine Grace, **sanctify us.**  
Comforter amidst sufferings, **sanctify us.**  
Eternal Light, **sanctify us.**  
Wellspring of Life, **sanctify us.**  
Spiritual Unction, **sanctify us.**  
Joy of Angels, **sanctify us.**  
Inspirer of Prophets, **sanctify us.**  
Teacher of the Apostles, **sanctify us.**  
Source of strength of Martyrs, **sanctify us.**  
Delight of all Saints, **sanctify us.**  
O Holy Spirit, the Merciful, **have mercy on us.**  
O Holy Spirit, the Merciful, **hear our prayer.**  
O Holy Spirit, the Merciful, **bless us.**

O Holy Spirit, one with the Father and Son, Purifier and Comforter of all, fill the hearts of your servants. You are the gift of God most high, Wellspring of Life, spiritual Unction, Fire and Love. You are the promise of the Father and the owner of the Seven Gifts. Enrich us with your gifts and fruits. Grant us purity of thought, humility of speech and prudence of action. Grant us perseverance in the midst of sufferings, faith to clear our doubts, hope in the midst of disappointments in life and love to see you in others. May all praise, glory and thanks be to you, who lives and dwells with the Almighty Father and his only Son, Jesus Christ forever and ever. **Amen.**

## Recommitment prayer

Father God, I praise, thank and adore you for your gift of life and love. My heart fills with gratitude as I remember my past. I joyfully accept my present life and look to the future with hope. I thank you that I am your child. Thank you Father for the love and care that I experience through the beautiful fellowship of my brothers and sisters in the Jesus Youth movement.

Lord Jesus, I desire to commit myself to you once again. I renounce all the powers of darkness and accept you as the Lord and Saviour of my life. O Risen Lord, I thank you for helping me through this movement to place myself and everything I have at your service. I surrender my life completely to you. Jesus, you are all I need. Heal my past, bless my present and take control of my future.

Holy Spirit, I thank you for your guidance in every moment of my life. Thank you, O divine Helper, for your constant presence within me. Intensify my thirst for you. May I have a deep personal relationship with you. Help me on this day of Pentecost to seek the Kingdom of God with greater eagerness and dedication. Bless me with all your gifts, fruits and charisms so that I may grow steadily in holiness and effectively live out my missionary call.

Holy Trinity one God, I recommit myself to you, together with all the Jesus Youth of the world. Look with favour on our movement Lord. Guide us in our endeavours and protect us from all the snares of the enemy. Help us to use all the



resources you have blessed us with for the growth of Your Kingdom and the greater glory of your name. Pour out your blessings on our Jesus Youth family and on all the people who support us in various ways. Grant that through the prayers of Mary, our Mother, we may always be a missionary movement at the service of the Church. Amen.

## 6. INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the Church and for all our intentions. Our response will be:  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

To revive the Church with a new Pentecost... **Come, Holy Spirit.**

To build unity between Christians ...  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Bless our movement to hear your Word and produce abundant fruits ... **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Reveal to us the joy of forgiveness... **Come, Holy Spirit.**

To fill us with your love so we may never shut our hearts to our neighbours... **Come, Holy Spirit.**

Bring a new heaven and a new earth as you promised, transform our lives ... **Come, Holy Spirit.**

In these times of depression and uncertainty, renew our hope...  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

Renew our movement to listen to your promptings and work unceasingly for the Kingdom of God... **Come, Holy Spirit.**

To grow in holiness in this our Jubilee year... **Come, Holy Spirit.**



To bind all of us in the movement together in love and harmony... **Come, Holy Spirit.**

(Spontaneous intercessions)

## 7. CONCLUSION

L. Together with Jesus Youth around the world, let us pray that this Jubilee may truly be a year of grace and renewal.

**All: Abba Father, we your children in the Jesus Youth movement praise and thank you in this Jubilee year for all the wonders of your love and mercy towards us. Guide and protect us as we journey through life.**

**Lord Jesus, help us to remain faithful to your Word and to the teachings of the Church, to grow in faith, hope and love, and to be present to the needs of others, as we live our call to proclaim the Good News, so that all peoples may come to know you as their Lord and Saviour.**

**O Holy Spirit, source and strength of our Christian life, grant us the grace to be docile to your voice and to share the fire within us.**

**We call upon you, O most Holy Trinity, with Mary, our Mother, and Saint Francis, our patron, to make this Jubilee a year of grace. Refined in thy fire, Renewed by thy Spirit, Radiant in thy holiness, may we become a gift to the Church and the world. Amen.**

L. Let us pray  
Holy Spirit, you breathe upon what is fragile. You kindle a flame of living charity and love that remains within us, still alive

under the ashes. And through you, even the fears and the nights of our heart can become the dawn of a new life.

**All: Amen**

**All: The Lord bless us, and keep us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.**

Concluding Song