

DIOCESE OF PALMERSTON NORTH

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

TO THE HOLY SPIRIT



This prayer was composed in 1993 alongside a renewed pastoral plan for the diocese. It was prayed in all parishes on Pentecost Sunday of that year.



We, the diocese of Palmerston North,
different peoples, one people of God,
give ourselves over to you
Holy Spirit of God.

R/ Holy Spirit, make us a holy people.

Through you we know God intimately
for you are the Spirit of God.
You inspire the scriptures which show us
that God is like a loving, trustworthy father;
a mother who tenderly gathers her children.
You give us joy in the news of our salvation;
Through you we belong to Christ.

R/ Holy Spirit dwell within us.

Keep us true to our Catholic and apostolic faith,
in union with Catholics throughout the world.
Bless our Pope with your gifts of leadership.
Bless him also with the gift of our loyalty.

R/ Holy Spirit, give us strength and joy in the name Catholic.

We commend to you
those who are experiencing special needs or sorrows;
those waiting to be born and those waiting to die;
those whom we have hurt and those who have hurt us.

**R/ Holy Spirit, inspire in us a love that is compassionate,
forgiving and practical.**

We consecrate to you our young people.
Help them to see the link between loving life
and loving Jesus who came to give us abundant life.

**R/ Pour out on them your gifts of wonder and wisdom,
prudence and fortitude.**



We pray for families and single people;
for religious sisters and brothers,
for our priests and bishops.

Inspire many more young people
to ways of serving and leadership
in the Church and in the world.

R/ Help each of us to show faithful love.

Jesus prayed for unity among his followers,
so that the world might believe in him.

R/ Holy Spirit, unite us to the prayer of Jesus.



We pray for the world and all its peoples.
We recommit ourselves to work for justice and peace,
Help us to create a society which respects the dignity
of every person and everyone's environment.

**R/ Holy Spirit, make us signs and instruments of your grace
in the world.**

Holy Spirit, free us from the illusion of self-sufficiency,
from falsehoods of every kind,
and from all our fears.

Call us beyond the limits
of apathy, mediocrity and routine

Work in our midst the miracles that happen
for those who trust you totally:
miracles of conversion, healing and reconciliation;
of new hope, new life and new beginnings.

R/ Create in us a new heart, and we shall be re-created.

On the first Pentecost
your coming transformed the timid disciples of Jesus
into people who wanted to tell the world about him.
As we consecrate ourselves to you again
we ask you to transform us too.

**R/ Holy Spirit, reveal through us the saving power of God's
love.**

**Glory be to the Father,
through the Son, in the Holy Spirit.
as it was is now and shall be forever.
Amen.**



