

Veni Sancte Spiritus: The Sequence of Pentecost (ca. 12th century)

Veni, Sancte Spiritus,
et emitte caelitus
lucis tuae radium.

Veni, pater pauperum,
veni, dator munerum
veni, lumen cordium.

Consolator optime,
dulcis hospes animae,
dulce refrigerium.

In labore requies,
in aestu temperies
in fletu solatium.

O lux beatissima,
reple cordis intima
tuorum fidelium.

Sine tuo numine,
nihil est in homine,
nihil est innoxium.

Lava quod est sordidum,
riga quod est aridum,
sana quod est saucium.

Flecte quod est rigidum,
fove quod est frigidum,
rege quod est devium.

Da tuis fidelibus,
in te confidentibus,
sacrum septenarium.

Da virtutis meritum,
da salutis exitum,
da perenne gaudium.

Come, Holy Spirit,
and send forth from Heaven
a ray of your light.

Come, father of the poor,
come, giver of gifts,
come, light of hearts.

O Consoler best,
you are the soul's sweet guest,
and sweet refreshment.

Amid toil, you are rest,
in the midst of heat, coolness,
and solace in grief.

O most blessed light,
fill the hearts of your faithful
deep within.

Without your divine will,
there is nothing in man,
and nothing is without harm.

Cleanse what is filthy,
bring water to what is parched,
heal whatever is injured.

Bend what is rigid,
rekindle what has gone cold,
straighten whatever is crooked.

Grant to your faithful,
who trust wholeheartedly in you,
your sacred sevenfold gift.

Grant the reward of virtue,
grant us the end of salvation,
and grant everlasting joy.