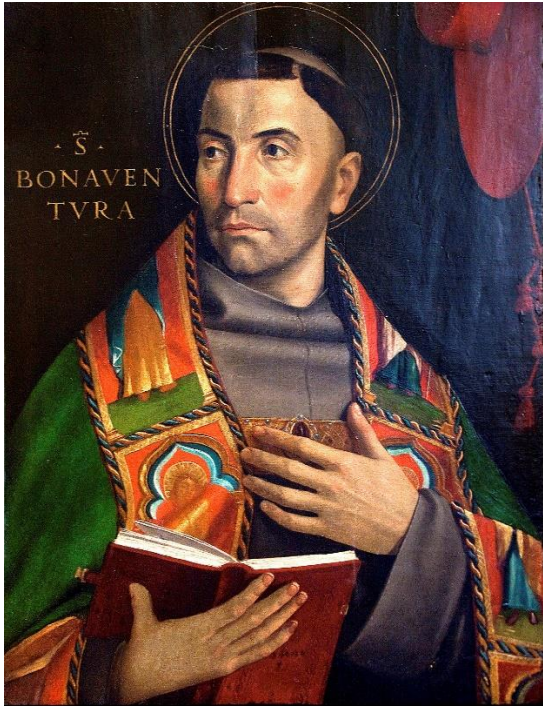


Prayer of St. Bonaventure to the Holy Spirit



Lord Jesus, as God's Spirit came down and rested upon you,

May the same Spirit rest on us,

Bestowing his seven-fold gifts.

First, grant us the gift of understanding,

By which your precepts may enlighten our minds.

Second, grant us counsel, by which we may follow in your footsteps on the path of righteousness.

Third, grant us courage, by which we may ward off the enemy's attacks.

Fourth, grant us knowledge, by which we can distinguish good from evil.

Fifth, grant us piety, by which we may acquire compassionate hearts.

Sixth, grant us fear, by which we may draw back from evil

and submit to what is good.

Seventh, grant us wisdom, that we may taste fully the life-giving sweetness of your love.

