PRAYER FOR GENERAL CHAPTER XVII 2023

Come,
O Spirit of the living God,
As you descended
On Mary and the disciples
Gathered in the Cenacle,
Illumine the way that leads us
To our General Chapter XVII.
Fill us, transform us
And guide our steps.

Monday:

Come, O Spirit of *Piety*,
Take control of our life;
Teach us the path
That we ought to take
As one heart and one soul.

Tuesday:

Come, O Spirit of Knowledge
Dispel the darkness
Of ignorance and prejudice,
Open our minds and our hearts
To the newness of God.

Wednesday:

Come, O Spirit of *Understanding*,
Illumine our minds,
Heal our hearts,
Reinvigorate our will
with renewed zeal.

Thursday:

Come, O Spirit of Counsel,
Guide every action of ours,
In re-organizing our life;
Lead us by the hand
In the footsteps of Francis, Clare
And Mother Seraphina.

Friday:

Come, O Spirit of Fortitude,
Rekindle in us the missionary
audacity of Mother Seraphina;
Like her, lead us
To explore new peripheries,
That are in need of
The light of the Good News.

Saturday:

Come, O Spirit of Wisdom,
Flood us with your peace and joy,
Heal our broken communities
And our families,
Heal the whole humankind
With the compassion
And loving care of God.

Sunday:

Come, O Spirit of Fear of God,
Rekindle in us the desire
To walk together,
In holiness and in synodality;
Renew our communities
In the hond of love

O Spirit of the Father
And of the Son,
May our praise and gratitude
Rise up to you like fragrant incense
For these 125 years of our history,
Anointed with Your
Faithfulness and mercy.
LEAD US O SPIRIT
So that we may REORGANIZE
OUR LIVES AS CFMSS IN THE
SYNODAL WAY.

Amen.