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**TE DEUM  
AND  
VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS**



Catholics can gain a Plenary Indulgence on New Year's EVE, 31 December by the public recitation or singing of the *Te Deum* and on New Year's DAY, 1 January by the public recitation or singing of the *Veni Creator Spiritus* (*Enchiridion Ind.*26).  
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**THE *TE DEUM***

You are God: we praise you;  
You are God: we acclaim you;  
You are the eternal Father:  
All creation worships you.

To you all angels,  
all the powers of heaven,  
Cherubim and Seraphim,  
sing in endless praise:  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full  
of your glory.

The glorious company  
of apostles praise you.  
The noble fellowship  
of prophets praise you.  
The white-robed army  
of martyrs praise you.

Throughout the world the holy  
Church acclaim you:

Father, of majesty  
unbounded,  
Your true and only Son,  
worthy of all worship,  
And the Holy Spirit,  
advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the king  
of glory,  
The eternal Son of the Father.

When you became man  
to set us free  
You did not spurn  
the Virgin's womb.

You overcame the sting  
of death,  
And opened the kingdom  
of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right  
hand in glory.  
We believe that you will come,  
and be our judge.

Come then, Lord,  
and help your people,  
Bought with the price  
of your own blood,  
And bring us with your saints  
to glory everlasting.

**V.** Save your people, Lord, and  
bless your inheritance.

**R.** Govern and uphold them  
now and always.

**V.** Day by day we bless you.

**R.** We praise your name forever.

**V.** Keep us today, Lord, from all sin.

**R.** Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

**V.** Lord, show us your love and mercy;

**R.** For we put our trust in you.

**V.** In you, Lord, is our hope:

**R.** And we shall never hope in vain.

## **VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS**

Come, Holy Ghost,  
Creator blest,  
and in our souls  
take up Thy rest;  
come with Thy grace  
and heavenly aid  
to fill the hearts which Thou  
hast made.

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.

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.

Kindle our sense  
from above,  
and make our hearts

o'erflow with love;  
with patience firm  
and virtue high  
the weakness of  
our flesh supply.

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.

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.

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.

### **USUAL CONDITIONS FOR A PLENARY INDULGENCE**

To gain the indulgence the usual following conditions must be met.

1. Sacramental confession and Communion within a brief time (about 20 days)
2. The prescribed good work (for 31 Dec. the public recital of the *Te Deum*; 1 Jan. *Veni Creator Spiritus*)
3. Prayers for the Pope's designated intentions (1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary)
4. Detestation of and detachment from even venial sins (without which only a partial indulgence can be gained), at the time of the indulgenced work.