An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there

and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

An alternative form of Spiritual Communion:

At Your feet, O my Jesus,

I prostrate myself and I offer You

repentance of my contrite heart,

which is humbled in its nothingness

and in Your holy presence.

I adore You in the Sacrament of Your love,

the ineffable Eucharist.

I desire to receive You

into the poor dwelling that my heart offers You.

While waiting for the happiness of sacramental communion,

I wish to possess You in spirit.

Come to me, O my Jesus,

since I, for my part, am coming to You!

May Your love embrace my whole being in life and in death.

I believe in You,

I hope in You,

I love You. Amen.

(by Cardinal Rafael Merry del Val, Vatican Secretary of State under Pope Pius X, +1930)