MAY 23, 2021 PENTECOST SUNDAY

Our Easter season culminates with the glorious feast of Pentecost. We can imagine how incredible that moment was for the apostles and all who witnessed it. The Holy Spirit was alive and working. The Holy Spirit is just as alive and willing to work here and now in our day-to-day moments as back at our first Pentecost.



Our First Reading bears witness to the first Pentecost. During this encounter with the Holy Spirit, the apostles and Mary felt a driving wind, there were tongues of fire on the heads of each of them and the Spirit allowed them to speak in different tongues proclaiming acts of God.

We might hear this reading and wish the Holy Spirit worked that obviously in our lives each day. The truth is, the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives is obvious — we just might be blind to it, or it might be that we have closed ourselves off to the Holy Spirit's wonderous works.

Our tongues of fire might be a profound conversation with a friend, something that you needed to hear in that exact moment, or even a closed door to an opportunity for something much, much greater. These are movements of the Holy Spirit in our everyday moments. The more we take time to recognize them, the more we become aware of them.

On this Pentecost Sunday, let us give thanks to God for sending us His Holy Spirit. And let us strive to be in tune with the Holy Spirit by looking for the ways God has been working in our lives.

— Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, May 24 8:30 a.m. - Livestream Teresa Fabiani †

Tuesday, May 25

8:30 a.m. - Livestream Jean MacDonald † | Josephine Morrison † 6:30 p.m. - Mass

> Wednesday, May 26 8:30 a.m. - Livestream Louise Minniti †

Thursday, May 27 No Mass

Friday, May 28 8:30 a.m. - Livestream Maria Albanese † | Percy Pereira †

Saturday, May 29

4:00 p.m. - Mass - Rosemary McNamee † 5:00 p.m. - Livestream - Angela Reynolds †

Sunday, May 30 8:45 a.m. - Mass 9:45 a.m. - Chuck Gentes † 10:30 a.m. - Mass for the People

ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

"When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth."

Will you let the Holy Spirit lead you to your true vocation in the Risen Lord...perhaps as a priest or consecrated religious?

Contact Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.

POPE'S PRAYER TO MARY DURING CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

O Mary, you shine continuously along our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you. Health of the Sick, who at the Cross were near to the pain of Jesus, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us, He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and took up our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas - we who are put to the test and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Prayer For The SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

GOD GRANT ME

The SPIRIT OF WISDOM

that I may depise the perishable things of this world and aspire only after the things that are eternal.

The SPIRIT OF UNDERSTANDING

to enlighten my mind with the Light of Your Divine Truth.

The SPIRIT OF COUNSEL

that I may ever choose the surest way of pleasing GOD and gaining heaven.

The SPIRIT OF FORTITUDE

that I may bear my Cross with You and that I may overcome with courage all the obstacles that oppose my salvation.

The SPIRIT OF KNOWLEDGE

That I may know GOD and know myself.

The SPIRIT OF PIETY

That I may find the service of GOD sweet and amiable.

The SPIRIT OF FEAR OF GOD

That I may be filled with a loving reverence towards GOD and may dread in any way, to displease Him. Amen.

Come, HOLY SPIRIT, come and renew the face of the earth!



Pentecost People

Come, Holy Spirit, and make us Pentecost people.

Let your wisdom and right judgment guide our decisions and temper our impulses.

Let knowledge and understanding increase our capacity for empathy and compassion.

Let reverence and awe fill us with gratitude and respect for all of creation.

Give us the courage to witness boldly to our faith in word and deed.

Through and with and in Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

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