



Pentecost Sunday June 9, 2019

[I]n one Spirit we were all baptized into one body. — *1 Corinthians 12:13a*

RECONCILED DIVERSITY

A few years ago, during Rome's quiet summer, Pope Francis took a day off to visit privately with some old friends, whose identity took Catholic Italy by surprise: Evangelical Protestants. They welcomed Francis to their Pentecostal Church of Reconciliation, where Francis asked pardon for Catholic persecutions and celebrated the Holy Spirit's "pentecostal work." Unlike Satan, declared Francis, who creates division among God's children, the Holy Spirit creates a diversity rich and beautiful. And unity; not uniformity, Francis specified, but unity in diversity. Francis named the Spirit's gift "reconciled diversity." Pentecost's rich treasury of scriptural readings, for Saturday's vigil and Sunday's morning liturgy, traces the Holy Spirit's work from creation's beginning, through Jesus' resurrection, into the church's earliest days, now into our days. Kindled in our hearts, the Spirit's gentle fire is ours to share generously, even with those most strikingly different from us. All hearts are Spirit-warmed by reconciled diversity.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today we are at the fiftieth day of the Easter celebration: seven weeks of seven days, a week of weeks, now culminating in a festival fiftieth day. While the liturgical color of the Easter season is gold, on this last day we have red. For the first thousand years of the church, there were no firm rules for using colors. Only wealthy churches could afford a full array of colors, and most places used the best vestments, no matter the color, for the greatest feasts. The Church spelled out an exact plan for color, including red for Pentecost, only in 1570, but local differences held on until the 1800s.

Color experts tell us that red is a hot color, best used for fast-paced, upbeat, active experiences. It is hard to be neutral before red, as any matador will tell you. It invites commitment, draws you in. It is a stimulating color, engaging the eye, stirring hunger. It is the most fitting color for this day when we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit into our lives, a dynamic presence overturning neutrality in favor of passion and commitment.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) *or Romans 8:8-17.*

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission (John 20:19-23) *or John 14:15-16, 23b-26.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14;

Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 119:129-133, 135;

Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15 — 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;

Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-18;

Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Mt 5:33-37

Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5;

Deacon Jim Moss will have classes on "Good Goats: Healing Out Image of God" on Tuesday, from 1:00 to 2:30 pm. He will have a Communion Service at 12:30 pm. The book is \$10. There isn't going to be a class offered at St. Regina but you are welcome to attend at St. Andrew.

WORK OF THE SPIRIT

Where the human spirit fails, the Holy Spirit fills

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Pentecost Sunday

Monday: Tenth Week in Ordinary Time;
Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

Tuesday: St. Barnabas

Thursday: St. Anthony of Padua

Friday: Flag Day

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

COME TO US, SPIRIT OF HOLINESS

Holy Spirit,

you banish fear from our hearts;

you bear witness in us that we are children of God;

we pray to you:

Remove from our hearts the spirit of slaves;

place in us the spirit of adopted children

to make us cry out, "Abba, Father!"

Mass Intention

Repose of the souls

Esperanez Martines

Antonia Garcia



June 16th

Lector Mauricio

E/M Anita/ Peggy

USHERS Tom/Michael

Server Francisco

Offertory 6./2/2019
BUDGET \$1249.00
ACTUAL \$924.75

\$ -324.25

B&M

\$180.00

Catholic Communication

\$58.00