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Pentecost Sunday

May 23, 2021

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit.

— 1 Corinthians 12:4

LORD, SEND OUT YOUR SPIRIT

In today's responsorial psalm the Church sings out: "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth." All three readings describe how God has answered that prayer already.

In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles and in the Gospel passage from John, we read of astonishing events that called covering disciples to step out of hiding and proclaim news that would condemn them and change the world forever! In the second reading Paul's words reach out into the future to us: "we were all given to drink of one Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:13).

It is our task to truly pray today's psalm response. Let us together beg the Holy Spirit to renew the earth by renewing the Church, sending many more men and women to serve in its various ministries.

.FEAST OF FAITH

Liturgy: Work of the Spirit

The Spirit of God who hovered over the waters at the dawn of creation—the Holy Spirit who descended upon the disciples at Pentecost in ever-changing forms in the sound of a mighty wind or tongues of flame—hovers also over our celebration of the liturgy, giving it life, making it real. It is the Spirit of God who draws us, gathering us together, Sunday after Sunday. It is the Spirit of God who called loudly to the inspired writers of the scriptures and who continues to whisper to us, revealing ever-new facets of God's word, granting insight just when we need it. It is by the Spirit's power that, when Christ's words are uttered by the priest, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. And it is surely the Spirit who inspires us—that is, breathes in us—when, sent forth from the assembly, we seek ways to serve our brothers and sisters, to allow the gospel to come to life in the world. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in different tongues

(Acts 2:1-11).

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

Second Reading — There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) or *Galatians 5:16-25*.

Gospel — As the Father has sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23) or *John 15:26-27; 16:12-15*.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Pentecost Sunday

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

Tuesday: St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi

Wednesday: St. Philip Neri

Thursday: St. Augustine of Canterbury

Saturday: St. Paul VI; Blessed Virgin Mary

A PRAYER TO THE SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, who sent Christ Jesus

to carry the Good news to the poor, we pray to you:

Help us to continue your work

by serving the poor, our brothers and sisters.

Catholic Appeal

Pledged \$4850.00

Participation 62.96%

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Volunteers are needed to count the Sunday offering. A class will be held to train for the correct way to fill out the paper work. A team of two will be needed each time.

Deacon Jim Moss will have a class on each

Tuesday, at 10:00 am until 11:30 The book title is "I Heard God Laugh."

Diocesan 50th Anniversary Mass

Saint Mary Church in Jackson

7pm Thursday May 27th

May 30th

Lector Mark

May 16th

BUDGET \$1351.00

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