



# All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit!

## Acts 2.4

### THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Knowledge, Fortitude, Piety, Fear of the Lord.

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## Pentecost Sunday

June 8, 2025

### THE SPIRIT’S ACTIVE POWER

The mystery of the Trinity refers to one God in three persons. We frequently acknowledge Jesus as “the second person of the Trinity,” but referring also to the Spirit as a “person” comes less naturally. In religious art, the Holy Spirit often appears as a dove or, as in today’s reading from the Acts of the Apostles, tongues of fire. Much rarer are images of the Spirit as a “person” in recognizable human form. Today’s readings do not settle the issue of how to picture the Spirit, but they certainly give shape to the Spirit’s active power in the world and in each human heart. In Acts, the Spirit enables people to speak and understand a variety of languages. Paul’s letter to the Corinthians praises the Spirit for all kinds of spiritual gifts, services, and “workings.” Finally, in John’s Gospel, Jesus calls the Spirit our Advocate and our divine teacher.

### 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.

### A PRAYER TO THE SPIRIT

Spirit of Jesus,  
  
poured out in flames of fire upon your disciples  
  
on the day of Pentecost, we pray to you:  
  
Set afire the hearts of your faithful so that they

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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 and given to drink of one Spirit (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 with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23) *or John 14:15-16, 23b-26*.

- Monday: Gn 3:9-15,20 or Acts 1L12-14; Ps 87:1-2,3 & 5, 6-7; G John 19:25-34
- Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129,130-133,135; G Mt 5:13-16
- Wednesday: Acts 11:21b-26;13:1-3; Ps 98:1,2-3ab; G Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15-4:1,3-6; Ps 85:9ab & 10-14; G Mt 5:20-26
- Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116 ; G Mt 5:27-32
- Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10,11-12; G Mat 5:33-37
- Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-5,6-7,8-9; G John 16:12-15

St. Regina is going to have a ladies group. A short meeting will be June 22<sup>nd</sup> after Mass. Everyone is invited to put in ideas . The group will do acts of service for the community and social events. The first meeting will be a tea party on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at noon all will be welcome. Please plan on joining.

The annual spaghetti dinner is going to be September 19<sup>th</sup> this year .Volunteers will be needed .A sign- up sheet will be posted at the front of the church so any- one can plan to be here for the preparation and work schedule. Many hands make light work . Please try to make plans to help.

**Wednesday, June 18th, Knights of Columbus meeting.** Dinner at 6:00, Rosary 6:45 and general meeting at 7:00 pm. All Knights and any Catholic men interested, are invited to attend. Contact Brian Muetze with any questions at 815-508-6059.

- JUNE 1ST
- LECTOR Mary
- SERVER Carlos
- EUCCHARISTIC M Jim ,Anita,, Peggy
- COUNTER—————TOM & BEVERLY
- JUNE 8TH PENTECOST
- LECTOR Beverly
- SERVER Max
- EUCCHARISTIC M Annc, Anita, Jim
- COUNTER—————MARY & ANN
- JUNE 15TH
- LECTOR Peggy
- SERVER Carlos
- EUCCHARISTIC M Floecencia, Jim, Ann F
- COUNTER—————TOM & BEVERLY
- JUNE 22ND
- LECTOR Mark
- SERVER Max
- EUCCHARISTIC M Beverly Anita , jim
- COUNTER—————MARY &ANN
- JUNE 29TH
- LECTOR Mary
- SERVER Carlos
- EUCCHARISTIC M Jim Peggy , Florencia
- COUNTER—————TOM & BEVERLY
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