

PENTECOST SUNDAY, Year C

Pentecost

First Reading † Acts 2:1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak different languages.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When Pentecost day had come, they were all together, when suddenly there came from heaven a sound as of a rushing wind, filling the entire house in which they were sitting; and there appeared to them tongues as of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak different languages as the Spirit gave them power to express themselves.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, and they were bewildered because each one heard them speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished, saying,

‘Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?’

How is it that each of us hears them in his own native language?

Parthians, Medes and Elamites, residents of Mesopotamia,

Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,

Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt

and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, visitors from Rome

– Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs,

we hear them speaking in our own languages about the marvels of God.’

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial † Psalm 103:1.24.29-31.34

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

O Lord my God, how great you are.

How many are your works, O Lord!

In wisdom you have made them all.

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

You take away their breath, they die,

returning to the dust from which they came.

You send forth your spirit, and they are created,

and you renew the face of the earth.

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!

May the Lord rejoice in his works!

May my thoughts be pleasing to him.

I will rejoice in the Lord.

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading † Romans 8:8-17

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a child of God.

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

People who live by the flesh cannot be pleasing to God. You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin but the Spirit is alive because of righteousness. And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, then he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies too through his Spirit dwelling in you.

So then, my brothers and sisters, we have no obligation to the flesh to live according to it, for if you do live according to the flesh, you are destined to die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the flesh, you will live.

All who are guided by the Spirit of God are children of God; for you did not receive a spirit of slavery to bring you back into fear, you received the Spirit of adoption. Whenever we cry out, 'Abba, Father!', that very Spirit is joining with our spirit to bear witness that we are children of God. And if we are children, then we are heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, provided that we share his suffering, so as to share his glory.

The word of the Lord.

Sequence

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light,
From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come with treasures which endure
Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow.

Thou in toil art comfort sweet
Pleasant coolness in the heat
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew
On our dryness pour thy dew
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will
Melt the frozen, warm the chill
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

Give us comfort when we die
Give us life with thee on high
Give us joys that never end.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel # John 14:15-16.23-26

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

If you love me you will keep my commandments.
I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Paraclete
to be with you for ever.

‘Anyone who loves me will keep my word,
and will be loved by my Father,
and we shall come
and make a home in that person.

Anyone who does not love me does not keep my words.
And the word that you hear is not my own:
it is the word of the Father who sent me.
I have said these things to you
while I am still with you;
but the Paraclete, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you everything
and remind you of all I have said to you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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Mary, Mother of the Church