



# THE WORD

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**Reflection:** *“I will send you another Advocate to be with you for ever.” This is the promise of Jesus he gave to his disciples and to all of us before he left this world. The Advocate is the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Holy Trinity. The Holy Spirit that has guided the disciples since the beginnings of the early Church as described in the Acts of the Apostles is the same Holy Spirit that we receive during our baptism and continues to receive in various sacraments like Confirmation, Holy Orders and the Anointing of the Sick. The Holy Spirit guides us today and every day through our daily lives by speaking to us through our consciences and through the people that we meet everyday to make sure that we are following the will of God. So if you are in trouble or need guidance and advice, never forget to call the Holy Spirit. Jesus gave us the Holy Spirit for this purpose so that through the Holy Spirit we can continue to feel his presence everyday in our lives.*

## Introduction to the Mass:

**FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT.**  
The coming of the Holy Spirit on the apostles at Pentecost marks the beginning of the time of the Church. Filled with the Spirit, the apostles preach in many languages symbolising the universal nature of the Church’s mission. All people, regardless of race or language, are welcome in Christ’s Church. Indeed, membership of the Church is not based on ethnic origin but on love, the greatest of the Spirit’s gifts. Everyone moved by love is a son or daughter of God.

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

**Entrance Antiphon:**  
[Wisdom 1:7]

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

**Greeting**  
(Sign of the Cross)

**P –** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**All – And with your spirit.**

## Penitential Act

**P –** Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

**P –** Lord Jesus, you enter places that have been locked away by others: Lord, have mercy.

**All – Lord, have mercy.**

**P –** Christ Jesus, your word reveals the promise of the Father’s love: Christ, have mercy.

**All – Christ, have mercy.**

**P –** Lord Jesus, you send the Holy Spirit to guide us in the way of truth: Lord, have mercy.

**All – Lord, have mercy.**

**P –** May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

## Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you**

**thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## Collect

O God, who by the mystery of today’s great feast sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of believers. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**



## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading:

[Acts 2:1-11]

The reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men [people] living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and parts of Libya around Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The Word of the Lord.

**All – Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm

[Psalm 103]

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

**Or: Alleluia.**

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches.

**(R)**

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. **(R)**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. **(R)**

### Second Reading:

[Romans 8:8-17]

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body many be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal

bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers [and sisters], there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son [and daughter] of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons [and daughters], and it makes us cry out 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

**All – Thanks be to God.**

### 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 innermost 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 de-  
scend;

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

### Gospel Acclamation

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the  
hearts of your faithful and kin-  
dle in them the fire of your love.  
**Alleluia!**

### Gospel

[John 14:15-16, 23-26]

**P** – The Lord be with you.

**All** – **And with your spirit.**

**P** – A reading from the holy Gos-  
pel according to John.

**All** – **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples:  
'If you love me you will keep my  
commandments. I shall ask the  
Father and he will give you an-  
other Advocate to be with you for  
ever.

'If anyone loves me he will keep  
my word, and my Father will love  
him, and we shall come to him  
and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not  
keep my words. And my word is  
not my own; it is the word of the  
one who sent me. I have said  
these things to you while still with  
you; but the Advocate, the Holy  
Spirit, whom the Father will send  
in my name, will teach you every-  
thing and remind you of all I have  
said to you.

**P** – The Gospel of the Lord.

**All** – **Praise to you, Lord Je-  
sus Christ.**

### Homily

#### Profession of Faith

**I believe in one God, the Father  
almighty, maker of heaven and  
earth, of all things visible and  
invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus  
Christ, the Only Begotten Son  
of God, born of the Father be-  
fore all ages, God from God,  
Light from Light, true God from  
true God, begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were  
made. For us men and for our  
salvation he came down from  
heaven, (*all bow*). And by the  
Holy Spirit was incarnate of the  
Virgin Mary, and became man.**

**For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate, he suf-  
fered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scrip-  
tures. He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father. He will come  
again in glory to judge the liv-  
ing and the dead and his king-  
dom will have no end.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the  
Lord, the giver of life, who pro-  
ceeds from the Father, and the  
Son, who with the Father and  
the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the  
prophets.**

**I believe in one, holy, catholic,  
and apostolic Church. I con-  
fess one Baptism for the for-  
giveness of sins and I look for-  
ward to the resurrection of the  
dead and the life of the world to  
come. Amen.**

### Prayer of the Faithful

**P** — The Holy Spirit bids us to  
speak with confidence to God,  
who always responds with love.  
For every petition, let our re-  
sponse be:

**R** — **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**C** — That neither language nor  
culture prove a barrier to the  
spread of the Gospel and the  
growth of the Church, let us  
pray to the Lord: **(R)**

**C** — That the wonderfully var-  
ied family of nations live to-  
gether in harmony and mutual  
respect, let us pray to the Lord:  
**(R)**

**C** — That all who speak in dif-  
ferent languages understand  
one another through their lov-  
ing actions, let us pray to the  
Lord: **(R)**

**C** — That members of this as-  
sembly, filled with the Holy  
Spirit, proclaim the good news  
of Christ Jesus in word and ac-  
tion, let us pray to the Lord: **(R)**

**C** — For our friends and family  
members who have just re-  
cently died [especially, may  
mention the name/s here] that  
they enjoy the light of the risen  
Christ, let us pray to the Lord:  
**(R)**

**P** — God of mercy and compas-  
sion, hear and answer the prayers  
of this assembly gathered here to-  
day, in the name of your Son, Je-  
sus Christ our Lord. **All** — **Amen.**



## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### Presentation of the Gifts

**P** – Pray, brothers and sisters...

**All** – May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, as promised by your Son, the Holy Spirit may reveal to us more abundantly the hidden mystery of this sacrifice and graciously lead us into all truth. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Preface

(Pentecost)

**P** – The Lord be with you.

**All** – And with your spirit.

**P** – Lift up your hearts.

**All** – We lift them up to the Lord.

**P** – Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All** – It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For, bringing your Paschal Mystery to completion, you bestowed the Holy Spirit today on those you made your adopted children by uniting them to your Only Begotten Son. This same Spirit, as the Church came to birth, opened to all peoples the knowledge of God and brought together the many languages of the earth in profession of the one faith.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise and even the

heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as they acclaim:

**All** - Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

### Acclamation

**P** – The mystery of faith.

**All** – When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

## COMMUNION RITE

### The Lord's Prayer

**All** – Our Father...

**P** – Deliver us, Lord...

**All** – For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

### Invitation to Peace

### Invitation to Communion

(kneel)

**P** – Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**All** – Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

### Communion Antiphon

[Acts 2:4, 11]

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

## Prayer after Communion

**P** – Let us pray

O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your Church, safeguard, we pray, the grace you have given, that the gift of the Holy Spirit poured out upon her may retain all its force and that this spiritual food may gain her abundance of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## CONCLUDING RITES

**P** – The Lord be with you.

**A** – And with your spirit.

### Solemn Blessing

**P** – Bow your heads and pray for God's blessings.

**P** – May God, the Father of lights, who was pleased to enlighten the disciples' minds by the outpouring of the Spirit, the Paraclete, grant you gladness by his blessing and make you always abound with the gifts of the same Spirit. **Amen.**

**P** – May the wondrous flame that appeared above the disciples, powerfully cleanse your hearts from every evil and pervade them with its purifying light. **Amen.**

**P** – And may God, who has been pleased to unite many tongues in the profession of one faith, give you perseverance in that same faith and, by believing, may you journey from hope to clear vision. **Amen.**

**P** – And may the blessings of almighty God, the Father, and the Son (+) and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

**P** – Go forth, the Mass is ended. Alleluia, alleluia!

**All** – Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!