



SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Acts 2: 1-11
Psalm 103: 1, 24,
29-31, 34
1 Corinthians 12: 3-7,
12-13
John 20: 19-23



PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of
Your faithful and
kindle in them the
fire of Your love.
Send forth your
Spirit and they
shall be created,
and you shall
renew the face of
the earth.

Just as the disciples were empowered at Pentecost, we too are called to open our hearts to the transforming presence of the Holy Spirit. To receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit, we must first cultivate a deeper life of prayer. When we pray, we allow the Spirit to guide us, shape us, help us to recognise the special talents God has placed within us and lead us toward the purpose God has prepared for us.

This journey of discovering God's gifts is especially important for young people. Families play a vital role in accompanying them to grow in faith and learn to recognise their talents.

Whether these gifts appear in acts of service, creativity, leadership, or compassion, families can guide young people to see these abilities not simply as personal achievements but as gifts from God meant to serve others and glorify Him.

At the same time, the parish community has an important mission in accompanying Confirmation students who are preparing to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Through the guidance of catechists, priests, sponsors, and the wider faith community, young people are encouraged to understand the deeper meaning of the sacrament they are about to receive. The parish becomes a place where they are supported, listened to, and inspired to live as active members of the Church.

The story of Pentecost therefore invites each of us to reflect on our openness to the Spirit and our response to His presence in our lives. As families and parish communities walk alongside young people, we help them discover that the gifts they receive are not meant to remain hidden, but to be shared for the building up of God's kingdom. Through this accompaniment, the Spirit continues His work, renewing the Church in every generation. ❖

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Pentecost is the moment when the promise of Jesus is fulfilled. The frightened disciples who once hid behind closed doors were transformed into courageous witnesses of the Gospel. This powerful moment reminds us that the Spirit of God continues to breathe new life into the Church and into every believer today.