

11:00 am Sunday, June 4, 2017

Readings: 1) Acts 2:1-11 2) 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 3) John 20:19-23

Sunday Liturgy

The focus for today's Mass is: Jesus sent the gift of the Holy Spirit to protect and guide the Church in carrying out his saving mission.

The reading from Acts speaks of the Holy Spirit descending upon the disciples, which enables them to go forward and preach the Gospel. In the first Letter to the Corinthians, we learn of the many gifts the Holy Spirit imparts to the Lord's followers. In the Gospel, Jesus bestows the gift of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples by breathing upon them, so they might go forward to preach the Gospel and lead the Church.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

Heavenly Father, grateful for the gifts you generously share with us through the Holy Spirit, we humbly ask that you hear and answer our prayers.

For the Church, may she be enlivened by the Holy Spirit and proclaim the good news with joy,
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For the faithful of all nations, for those who share in Christ's good news in varied languages,
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those who are experiencing physical, mental or spiritual illness;
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For our beloved dead, may they find rest and eternal life in heaven.
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For the youth in our parish, may our examples of Christian love and joy fill them with enthusiasm for their faith,
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For our own personal intentions, (long pause),
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

PRIEST:

Lord God of heaven and earth, you shower us with every gift of the Spirit. We ask that you hear and answer our prayers in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.