

**Sunday, May 22, 2022**  
**The Sixth Sunday of Easter**

- 1) Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
- 2) Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
- 3) John 14:23-29

**FOCUS:** As our Easter journey continues, may the promise of the Holy Spirit give us hope and strength.

Our Gospel brings us back to the Last Supper. Knowing his disciples will need encouragement for the events that lie ahead, Jesus grants them the gift of peace and the promise of the Spirit. We also need those gifts as we strive to live the Gospel life and be faithful to Christ.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

The early Church – under the guidance of the Holy Spirit – debates whether the Gentiles should be forced to abide by Jewish ways and customs. John describes a stunning vision of the holy city Jerusalem with its walls, gates, inscriptions, and the glory of God giving it light. In the Gospel, Jesus grants his disciples the gift of peace and the promise of the Spirit, who will teach and remind them of all he taught them.

**UNIVERSAL PRAYER**

**PRIEST:** As sisters and brothers in Christ, let us pray for the needs of the Church and those of the world.

- 1) For the unity of the Church, may God strengthen all members to proclaim the truth of the Resurrection with commitment and courage, let us pray to the Lord.
- 2) For civil leaders, may the Gospel message encourage them in working for prosperity and peace for all people, let us pray to the Lord.
- 3) For the sick, may God's healing power restore them to full health of body and mind, let us pray to the Lord.
- 4) For this faith community, may the Holy Spirit continue to empower us in saying yes to what God asks of us, let us pray to the Lord.
- 5) For all who have died marked with the sign of faith, may they come to share in the glory of the Father, let us pray to the Lord.
- 6) (Special petition/s)

**PRIEST:** Eternal Father and giver of true peace, hear our prayers this day. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.