

# PENTECOST

### RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT



#### WORD OF THE WEEK

When the holy day of Pentecost came, they were gathered together in one place. (Picture yourself among the disciples):

A sound roars from the sky without warning, the roar of a violent wind, and the whole house where you are gathered reverberates with the sound. Then a flame appears, dividing into smaller flames and spreading from one person to the next. All the people present are filled with the Holy Spirit and begin speaking in languages they've never spoken, as the Spirit empowers them. Because of the holy festival, there are devout Jews staying as pilgrims in Jerusalem from every nation under the sun. They hear the sound, and a crowd gathers. They are amazed because each of them can hear the group speaking in their native

languages. They are shocked and amazed by this. "Just a minute. Aren't all these people Galileans? How in the world do we all hear our native languages being spoken? We're each, in our own languages, hearing these people talk about God's powerful deeds.

Their amazement becomes confusion as they wonder, "What does this mean?"

#### PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Jesus. we are gathered here today in a simple room. Fill us with your Spirit. Empower us to be changed. To be on fire for you. Our Father. who art in heaven Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. why will be done. on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses. as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.



Before Jesus ascended into Heaven he promised the disciples that he would send someone to guide and enbale them to live godly lives. Pentecost is when this took place. It is a the day on which God sent the Holy Spirit. It is celebrated on the Sunday 50 days after Easter. Pentecost is regarded as the birthday of the Church and the start of the Church's mission to the world.



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#### SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT...

#### SCRIPTURE MEDITATION

As your teacher reads the Word of the Week again, I invite you to use all your senses.



● What do you see? ② What do you hear? 八 What do you smell? ◎ What do you feel?

Close your eyes, take a few deep breaths and let us begin.... (Read the Word of the Week, slowly and when you come to the end allow for a few seconds of silence.)

Think for a moment: What did you see, hear, smell and feel?

#### SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT...

The Holy Spirit filled the disciples with courage and faith, empowering them to share the Good News with others.

God the Father and Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to help and guide the Church. The event of Pentecost changed the world and gave rise to today's Church. The Holy Spirit is still with us today.

Talk to the person next to you, about where in your life right now do you need help from the Holy Spirit?



### WH AT'S ON? Year // mark the end of their time at All Hallows With a special Leavers Mass on Friday.

#### SOMETHING TO DO...

The Holy Spirit inspires us to participate in making the world a better place. The fruits of the Holy Spirit are the results of our participation. Pick a fruit and live it out this week through a small act of mission.

