

1 CORINTHIANS 12:12

'We pray together at home.'

The Feast of Pentecost

Year B Sunday 22nd May 2021

During this time when we may be unable to join together with our parish communities to celebrate the Eucharist, we offer you this resource as a way of engaging with the readings and prayers of the Mass. The readings are taken from the Lectionary for children.

These resources can be used whilst participating digitally in the many private Masses that priests in our diocese are offering online.

We hope you find this resource useful.

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Click here to find the full list of all online streamed Masses available throughout the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. http://www.rcdhn.org.uk/he

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Creating a place of prayer in the home.

Light a candle and gather together with your family. You might place a Crucifix of a Holy Image next to your candle. If you have a Bible, you may like to open the Bible to the readings that are going to be used during Mass today.

Use the link on the first page of this document to access Livestreamed Masses from around the Diocese.

We Gather together as God's family and ask for His Forgiveness

We gather together in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit Amen.

We turn to God asking for His guidance and strength in our lives.

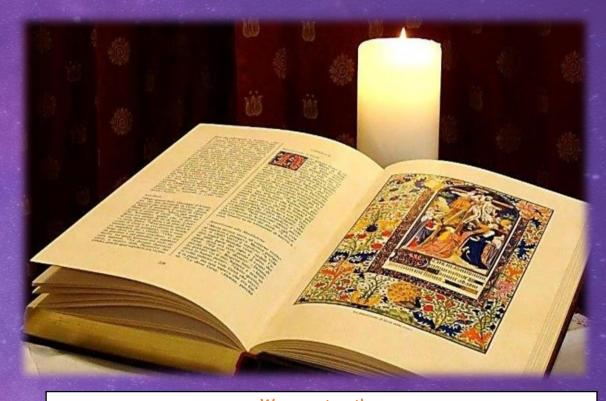
Lord Jesus, You heal the sick- Lord have mercy Lord Jesus, You forgive sinners- Christ have mercy

Lord Jesus, You give us yourself to feed us and bring us strength- Lord have mercy May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen

We sing the Gloria- praising God together!





We pray together

Dear Jesus,

Before you went to Heaven, you promised that you would send us the Holy Spirit. Today we give special thanks for the Gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church, to us. Help us to listen always to the Spirit in our lives. We pray this as we make the sign of the Cross:

In the name

of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

We Listen to the Word of God:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

On the day of Pentecost

all the Lord's followers were together in one place.

Suddenly there was a noise from heaven like the sound of a mighty wind!

It filled the house where they were meeting.

Then they saw what looked like fiery tongues moving in all directions,

and a tongue came and settled on each person there.

The Holy Spirit took control of everyone,

and they began speaking whatever languages the Spirit let them speak.

Many religious Jews from every country in the world

were living in Jerusalem.

And when they heard this noise, a crowd gathered.

But they were surprised, because they were hearing everything in their own languages.

They were excited and amazed, and said:

"Don't all these who are speaking come from Galilee?

Then why do we each hear them speaking our very own languages?

Some of us are from Parthia, Media, and Elam.

Others are from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, Asia,

Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, Parts of Libya near Cyrene,

Rome, Crete, and Arabia.

Some of us were born Jews, and others of us have chosen to be Jews.

Yet we all hear them using our own languages

to tell the wonderful things God has done."

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God





We Listen to the Word of God:

The Responsorial Psalm Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

I praise you, Lord God,
with all my heart.
You are glorious and majestic.
Our Lord, by your wisdom
you made so many things;
the whole earth is covered
with your living creatures.

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

You created all of them
by your Spirit,
and you give new life
to the earth.
Our Lord, we pray
that your glory will last for ever
and that you will be pleased
with what you have done.

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





We Listen to the Word of God:

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians 12:4-7, 12-13

Brothers and sisters:

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts,

but they all come from the same Spirit.

There are different ways to serve the same Lord,

and we can each do different things.

Yet the same God works in all of us and helps us in everything we do.

The Spirit has given each of us a special way of serving others.

The body of Christ has many different parts,

just as any other body does.

Some of us are Jews,

and others are Gentiles.

Some of us are slaves,

and others are free.

But God's Spirit baptized each of us

and made us part of the body of Christ.

Now we each drink form that same Spirit.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



We Greet the Good News by saying:

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia.

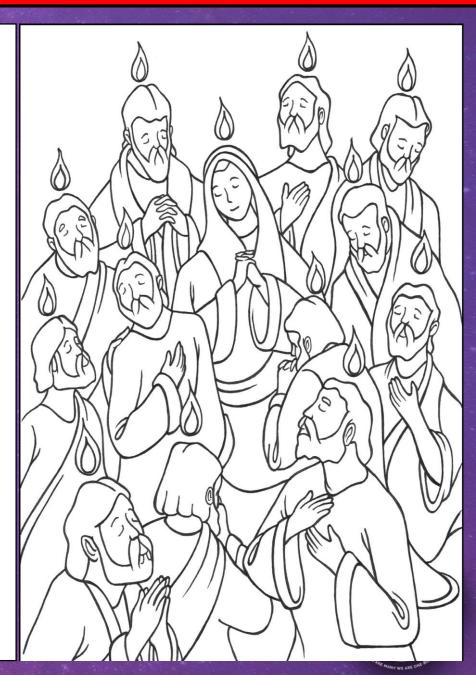
† A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John 20:19-23

The disciples were afraid of the Jewish leaders, and on the evening of that same Sunday they locked themselves in a room.

Suddenly, Jesus appeared in the middle of the group. He greeted them and showed them his hands and his side. When the disciples saw the Lord, they became very happy. After Jesus had greeted them again, he said, "I am sending you, just as the Father has sent me."

Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, they will be forgiven. But if you don't forgive their sins, they will not be forgiven."

The Gospel of the Lord Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ



We Respond - We reflect on today's Gospel:

Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit to his close friends and to all his followers. That happened on the day of Pentecost. The people did not see the Holy Spirit. Instead they saw fiery tongues, flames of fire. It was real. The Holy Spirit came with special gifts for all those people and for us too. Those gifts were not toys or computer games but gifts like peace, of not being afraid to follow Jesus, the gift of joy, of love and the gift to forgive others. There are a lot of others gifts the Holy Spirit gives us. We can't see them but they are real. Today we celebrate the Birthday of the Church. It's called Pentecost which means 50 days after Easter! We thank Jesus for sending us the Holy Spirit.

We Profess our faith in God together:

I believe in God the Father, I believe in God the Son, I believe in God the Holy Spirit. Our God is three, Our God is One.







We Respond (Intercessions taken from www.cafod.org.uk)

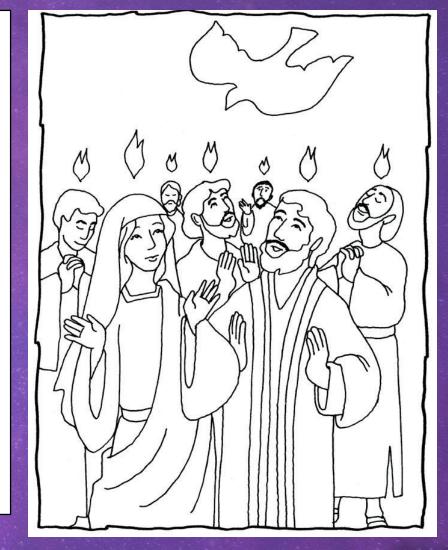
Let's think about the courage and change that the Holy Spirit can bring as we pray together:

We pray for world leaders: that they may be inspired by the Holy Spirit and have the courage to act for the good of all people and creation. Lord, hear us...

We pray for our brothers and sisters all over the world: that they may find hope and be able to change their lives for the better. Lord, hear us...

We pray for our parish, family and friends: that the Holy Spirit may bring us the strength to make our world a fairer and better place for all people to live in. Lord, hear us...

God of hope, send your Spirit and fill us with courage and hope of a world where all people have the chance to live free from poverty. Amen.









We Pray the Family Prayer of All Christians
Our Father...

We now make an Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all thing and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.

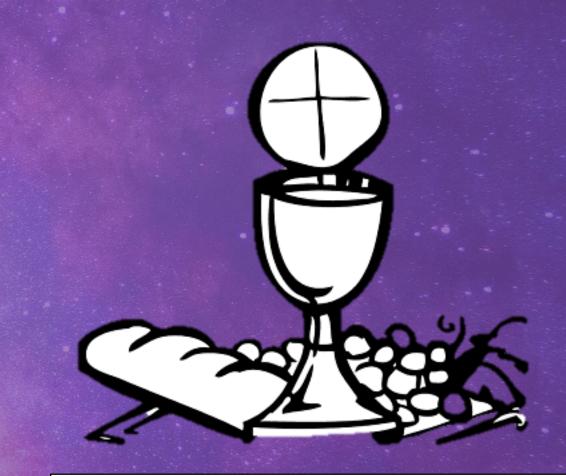
Amen

We end our time of prayer

May God Bless us and keep us safe.
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy
Spirit.
Amen







We can join in the Celebration of Mass online by visiting the following website:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC12EvW0EqgcFTh5i2y_EQw

- St. Mary's RC Cathedral, Newcastle (Sunday Mass at 11:30am- Daily Mass 12 noon)



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Activity Ideas- From CAFOD

Ask the children to colour in the accompanying illustration and ask them to count how many different ways they can see the effects of the wind. Ask them to draw on the back how they will show the effects of the Holy Spirit in their lives in the next week.

Suggest the children make flags and fly them to show the effects of the wind.

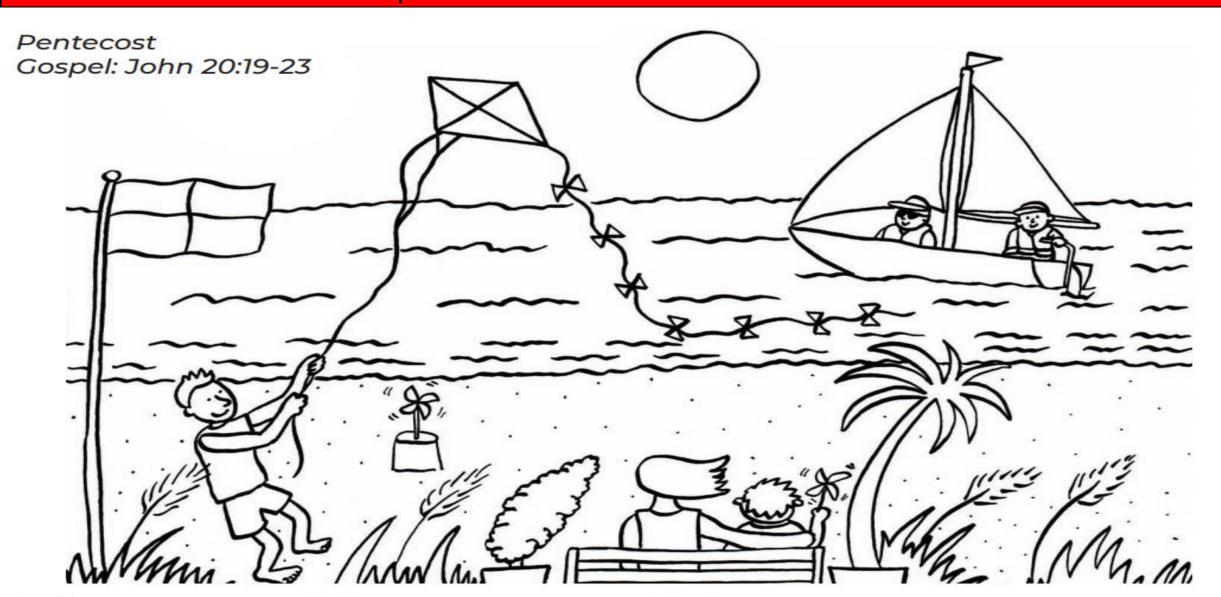
- · Cut different shapes, e.g. rectangles and triangles out of the material (thin cotton or lining material)
 to make each child a flag.
- Ask the children to write or draw on the flag what they will do this week to show the effects of the Holy Spirit, or simply write one word that sums this up: kindness, love, caring, sharing, courage, hope etc.
- Or the flags could be decorated in the pattern of the national flags of the countries where CAFOD
 works. See here for the list of countries.
- Glue the material onto one end of the cane, rolling it so that there is a complete turn of material.
- If you have time you could take the flags outside to see if there is enough wind to make the flags fly.
 - Hold the flags low down to the ground and then up high to see if there is any change.
- Ask the children to take the flags home. They can put their flags outside and see which direction
 they fly each day.

Ask the children to share at home all that they have heard and thought about today. Ask them to do at least one thing this week which will show the effect of the Holy Spirit in their lives.



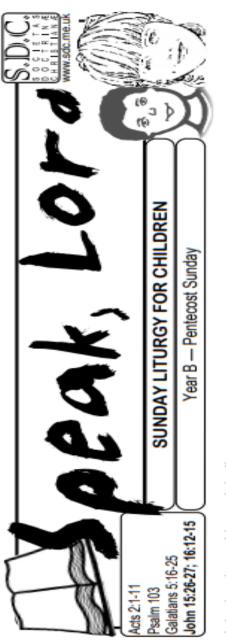






Find Pentecost prayers at cafod.org.uk/prayers





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TODAY IS ...

WHO CAME TO THE APOSTLES ON THIS DAY?

