



FRIENDS OF JESUS AND MARY

Cycle B – VIII Sunday in Ordinary Time - Solemnity of Pentecost

Acts 2: 1-11; Psalm 103: 1,24,29-30,31,34; 1Corinthians 12: 3b -7.12-13; John 20: 19-23

Gospel: John 15,26-27; 16,12-15

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the Father, he will testify to me. And you also testify, because you have been with me from the beginning. "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason, I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you."

First Reading: Acts 2, 1-11

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

Reflection

In the Gospel, Jesus announces that He will send the Holy Spirit. What other names to they call the Holy Spirit? (the Consoler, the Spirit of Truth) **What does Jesus say the Holy Spirit will do when he comes?** (Give witness to Jesus, guide the disciples to the truth, announce the things to come, glorify Jesus by communicating all that Jesus says) **Ten days after Jesus ascended to Heaven, the disciples were together, hiding from those that persecuted them. What happened?** (They Heard a loud noise like of a strong wind; tongues of fire appeared above each of them; they were filled with the Holy Spirit and they spoke in many languages so that all in Jerusalem who went to see what was happening, understood the marvels of God.) Jesus sent the Holy Spirit who dispersed all fear and converted the disciples in proclaimers of the Resurrection of Jesus. They explain that all the gifts and talents of each person are different, but all are called to serve God. **What talents do you have to put in God's service?**



Activity

Act out the 1st Reading with the children. Have each child color a flame with a gift of the Holy Spirit. (See the following page.) Attach to a strip of paper or a ribbon and place on the head of the child with the flame on their forehead. Then pray over each of them asking the Holy Spirit to send them this gift. Place the fruits in a box and have the children pick a fruit; pray that the Holy Spirit send them this fruit. Bring objects that represent the symbols of the Holy Spirit and talk about their meaning. (see last page.)

Prayer

Lord, send us your Spirit who brings us peace and courage to face problems. Give us the fruits of generosity, kindness, love, joy, peace, and patience to lead our family and our group to harmony and to use them to serve others. Amen.

Song: Holy Spirit Fills Me Up, Brielle Lael (Ctrl Click) <https://youtu.be/ziCAU9B-5mU>

PPT: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1oRE_2i3kiVRS2gC3zgCNVrxpAIGlrrVP/view?usp=sharing

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GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Strong winds and tongues of fire:
This is how the Holy Spirit came!

INSTRUCTIONS: Cut the flames, color, and attach to a strip of paper taped together making a crown (2 of 2x11" taped at the ends) or to a ribbon. Place a flame on the forehead of each child and pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Come Holy Spirit,
Give me
FEAR OF GOD
so, I may never
hurt you with my
words or actions.

Come Holy Spirit,
Give me
PIETY so that God
may always be first
in my life.

Come Holy Spirit,
Help me to live
with **FORTITUDE**
and say the truth
today.

Come Holy Spirit,
Give me
COUNSEL which I
need to recognize
right from wrong.

Come Holy Spirit,
Give me
WISDOM which I
need to see my
family and friends
through your eyes.

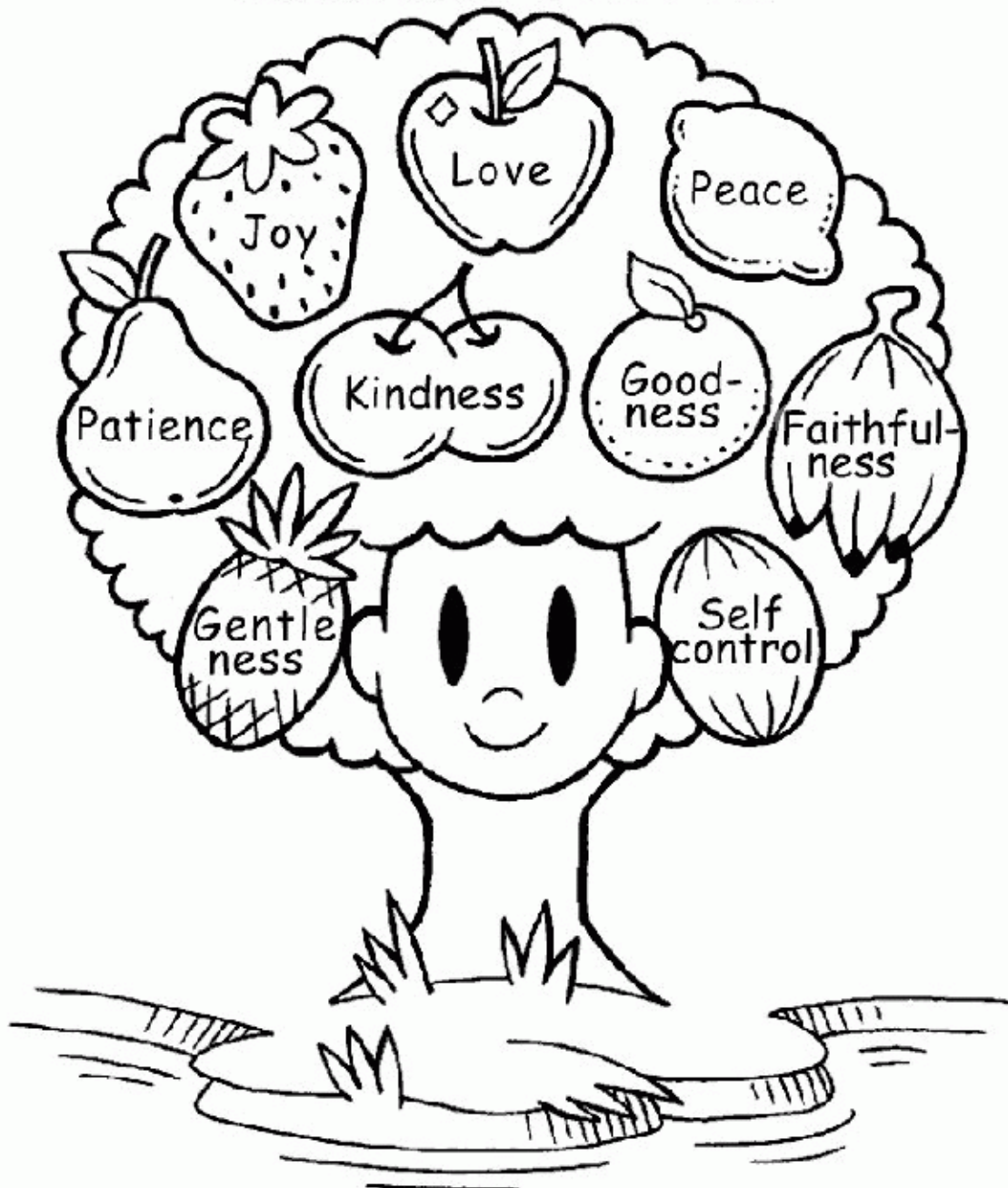
Come Holy Spirit,
Give me
KNOWLEDGE
to better know how
to do your Holy
Will.

Come Holy Spirit,
Give me
UNDERSTANDING
of the marvelous
gift of faith that
I have.



Fruit Of The Spirit

Galatians 5:22-23



I'm a tree planted by the water

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(Jeremiah 17: 8)

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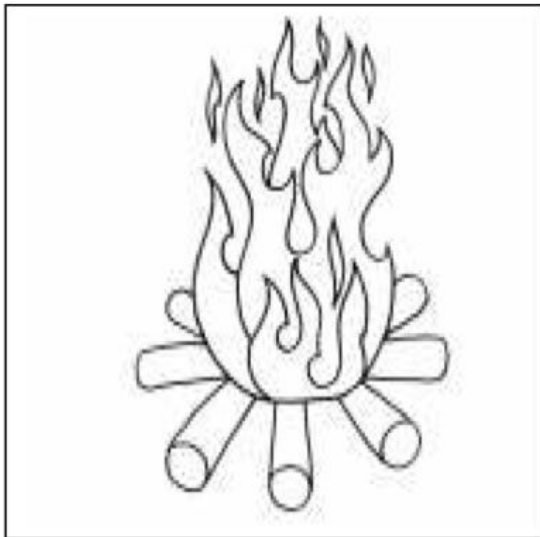
SYMBOLS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



WIND-initiates action



AGUA – cleans & gives life



**FIRE-purifies, heats,
and gives light**



**DOVE-represents peace and
purity**