

HOLY CROSS AND ALL SAINTS MONDAY MISSION

THIS WEEK'S WORD: ACTS 2: 1-4

❤️🔥 The Coming of the Holy Spirit

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.



REFLECT

On Pentecost, Jesus' friends were all gathered together in one room. They were waiting, just as Jesus had told them, but they were probably feeling a bit scared and unsure about what to do next. Then something wonderful happened. They heard a loud rushing wind, and little flames like tiny tongues of fire rested above each of them. This wasn't a fire that burned; it was a sign that the Holy Spirit, the helper Jesus had promised, had come to be with them. In that moment, everything changed. The disciples felt brave. They felt full of joy. They felt close to God in a new way. And suddenly, they could speak in many different languages so that people from all over the world could understand them.

This is why we call Pentecost the birthday of the Church. It was the day the disciples finally went out into the world to share the Good News about Jesus Christ – that He is alive, that He loves us, and that He wants us to follow Him.

Pentecost reminds us that:

❤️🔥 God's Spirit is with us too, helping us to be brave and loving

❤️🔥 We are all different and God speaks to every person, in every language and culture

❤️🔥 God's love is for everyone, everywhere

❤️🔥 The Church's mission began on Pentecost and continues with us today

Just like the disciples, we can use our voices, our kindness, and our gifts to share Jesus' love and make the world brighter.

LET US PRAY

Come, Holy Spirit. Fill our hearts with your love, just as you filled the disciples on Pentecost. Help us to be brave like them, ready to share the Good News of Jesus. Thank you for giving life to the Church on this special day. Guide us to use our words, our actions, and our kindness to show your love to everyone we meet. Holy Spirit, stay with us and help us to follow Jesus every day. Amen.

MISSION

This week, let's celebrate the birthday of the Church by doing what the first disciples did: sharing Jesus' love with the world.

❤️🔥 Share Jesus' love by doing something kind for someone who feels left out

❤️🔥 Use your voice for good by speaking kindly and encouraging others

❤️🔥 Share the Good News by reminding someone that Jesus loves them

❤️🔥 Help in your classrooms, homes and the community just as the disciples helped the early Church grow

Every small act of love helps the Church continue the mission that began on Pentecost.