

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world  
and that which contains all things  
understands what is said, alleluia.

**GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

**COLLECT**

O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast  
sanctify your whole Church in every people and  
nation,  
pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit  
across the face of the earth  
and, with the divine grace that was at work  
when the Gospel was first proclaimed,  
fill now once more the hearts of believers.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

**FIRST READING**

Acts 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles  
had all met in one room, when suddenly they  
heard what sounded like a powerful wind from  
heaven, the noise of which filled the entire  
house in which they were sitting; and something  
appeared to them that seemed like tongues of  
fire; these separated and came to rest on the  
head of each of them. They were all filled with  
the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign  
languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of  
speech.

Now there were devout men living in  
Jerusalem from every nation under heaven,  
and at this sound they all assembled, each one  
bewildered to hear these men speaking his own  
language. They were amazed and astonished.  
'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are  
Galileans? How does it happen that each of us  
hears them in his own native language?  
Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from  
Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus  
and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and  
the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as  
visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike  
- Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in  
our own language about the marvels of God.'

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**PSALM**

Psalm 103 (104):1, 24, 29-31, 34

Response:

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the  
face of the earth.

or Alleluia!

1. Bless the Lord, my soul!  
Lord God, how great you are,  
How many are your works, O Lord!  
The earth is full of your riches. (R.)
2. You take back your spirit, they die,  
returning to the dust from which they came.  
You send forth your spirit, they are created;  
and you renew the face of the earth. (R.)
3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever!  
May the Lord rejoice in his works!  
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.  
I find my joy in the Lord. (R.)

**SECOND READING**

1 Corinthians 12:3-7 12-13

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the  
Corinthians.

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is  
under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the  
same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be  
done, but always to the same Lord; working in  
all sorts of different ways in different people, it  
is the same God who is working in all of them.  
The particular way in which the Spirit is given to  
each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made  
up of many parts, is a single unit because all  
these parts, though many, make one body, so  
it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all  
baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well  
as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to  
drink.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**SEQUENCE**

Holy Spirit, Lord of light,  
From the clear celestial height  
Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor,  
Come with treasures which endure;  
Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best,  
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,  
Dost refreshing peace bestow.

Thou in toil art comfort sweet;  
Pleasant coolness in the heat;  
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine,  
Visit thou these hearts of thine,  
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away,  
Nothing pure in man will stay;  
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew;  
On our dryness pour thy dew;  
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will;  
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;  
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore  
Thee confess and thee adore,  
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

Give us comfort when we die;  
Give us life with thee on high;  
Give us joys that never end.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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

**GOSPEL**

John 20:19-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
John.

In the evening of the first day of the week,  
the doors were closed in the room where the  
disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came  
and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace  
be with you', and showed them his hands and  
his side. The disciples were filled with joy when  
they saw the Lord, and he said to them again,  
'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,  
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:  
'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,  
they are forgiven;  
for those whose sins you retain,  
they are retained.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

(all bow during the next two lines)

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the  
Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living  
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.  
Amen.

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Grant, we pray, O Lord,  
that, as promised by your Son,  
the Holy Spirit may reveal to us more abundantly  
the hidden mystery of this sacrifice  
and graciously lead us into all truth.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit  
and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your  
Church,  
safeguard, we pray, the grace you have given,  
that the gift of the Holy Spirit poured out upon  
her  
may retain all its force  
and that this spiritual food  
may gain her abundance of eternal redemption.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.