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Solemnity of Pentecost



The Holy Spirit reminds us about everything Jesus said and accomplished, making Him present in the community and playing the role of "interior master", capable of illuminating and guiding the life of every Christian. Throughout the earthly life of Jesus, the disciples often did not understand Him, because their hearts were not prepared to accept his words. However, when the Spirit is present in the hearts of the disciples, he will make the Christian capable of putting into practice the words of Jesus. The Christian is never alone, but thanks to the Holy Spirit he becomes a dwelling, house, temple of the Presence of God.

READINGS:

1. First reading: Acts 2:1-11
2. Second reading: I Cor. 12:3-7, 12-13
3. Gospel: John 20:19-23

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

LET US REFLECT:

1. What does the Solemnity of Pentecost mean for the Church, for us as ACI Family –as we are Church with the Eucharistic Reparative Charism?
2. Do I let myself be guided by the Holy Spirit? In what do I get involved and let it "complicate" my life?
3. What message does the Holy Spirit bring me for this year, and how can I transmit it to my brothers and sisters?

FINAL PRAYER: (Prayer of Cardinal Jean Verdier, 1864-1940)

*"Oh Holy Spirit,
Love of the Father, and of the Son:
Inspire me always
what I should think,
what I should say,
how should I say it,
when should I keep silent,
how should I act,
what I should do,
for the glory of God,
for the good of souls
and my own sanctification.*

*Holy Spirit,
give me acuteness to understand,
ability to retain,
method and faculty to learn,
subtlety to interpret,
grace and efficiency to speak.*

*Give me success to start,
direction when progressing
and perfection at the end.
Amen"*



May the Spirit of the Lord be our guide, strength and consolation.

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