



PENTCOST SUNDAY

28th of May 2023 - Cycle A



LIKE A GENTLE WIND



SETTING

The Sunday of spirit arrives, Pentecost, the feast of life, the intensification of being in doing and living. Living flame of love, flame that is born from the fire of love...

Come Holy Spirit into our lives and strengthen us. You are gift and task, inspiration, support and closeness. An alarm clock for hearts that dream, that feel, that opens up to your full life.

Booster of emotions, energy and dynamiter of projects that empower deep, sensible, ground breaking sensations.

New life that launches us and invites us to share, to be more and better.

Lord, blow hope into my life so that I may be for others.

SONG.

Precious spirit come Holy Spirit come – Super school music

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fKXsFqJAaUc>

GOSPEL - John 20, 19-23

“On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, when the doors of the place where the disciples were closed for fear of the Jews, Jesus stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." Having said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were glad to see the Lord. Jesus said to them again: “Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so I send you." Saying this, he blew on them and said: “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; to whom you withhold them, they are withheld.”

We deepen the gospel

To transmit the Holy Spirit to his disciples, Jesus breathes on them. This makes us think of the famous phrase from the book of Genesis, chapter 2: "The Lord God breathed into the nostrils of man the breath of life and man was constituted as a living being" (Gen: 2, 7). And Psalm 103 (which we read on the feast of Pentecost), comments on the text of Creation singing: "You send out your breath, and they are created." And it is precisely on Easter afternoon when Jesus resumes this creative gesture. It is understandable because Saint John insists: "It was the afternoon of the first day of the week", which is a way of saying that it is the first day of the new creation.

Second element to highlight, regarding the breath: It could be said that the order chosen by John to speak to us about Pentecost is a lesson: let us return to the three sentences in order of appearance:

- 1) "As the Father has sent me, so I send you."
- 2) “Having said this, he breathed on them and said to them: receive the Holy Spirit”...
- 3) "To whom you forgive the sins, they will be forgiven."

The first and third sentence says about the mission. Between the two is framed the phrase that speaks of the gift of the Spirit. This clearly says that the Spirit is given FOR the mission. This mission is our only reason for being.

Mission that consists of "forgiving sins" and that was also the mission of Jesus. And He says it very clearly: “As the Father has sent me, I also send you”. Hearing this, they feel like getting down to business quickly!

Furthermore, God's forgiveness can be announced in two ways: through our words and through our gestures. This is what is asked of us: to be, pardon ourselves. From here we are, for the world, witnesses of God's forgiveness.

And this is the new Creation: the Spirit of the gift of forgiveness is given to us. At Pentecost, the power to forgive is breathed into us.

Clues for Prayers:

- What experience do you have and what experience do you know of your community about the actions of the Holy Spirit?
- The Holy Spirit sends us, what do you feel sent to? How do you experience forgiveness, given and received in your today's life?
- How could we do to make concrete in our personal and community life the mission of forgiveness to which we are sent forth?

AMBIENTAL MUSIC. DINNER WITH JD

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jmOJyFrBe7M>

BLOWING BREEZE

Inspire the heart
That yearning seeks you.
I know the way and the truth
In my life.
Blow your life, in my life,
To follow your tracks.
Blow your light, on my sidewalk,
So that I may enlighten others.
Blow your strength, in my hands,
To welcome the poor, needy.
Blow your Word, in my heart,
To communicate hope.
Blow your look, in my eyes,
So that they radiate life.
Blow your tenderness, in my gestures,
To boost vitality.

Blow your grace, in my being,
To make it a channel
Blow dreams possible
On my horizon that allows me to
Walk towards them.
Blow and keep blowing
So that our life,
And our ears may
Listen to everything,
So that our eyes may
Focus on needs,
So that our mouth
Say good words
So that our feet
Approach each other,
So that our hands
Caress faces in need,
So that our life
Finally be a pure gift.
Blow life, blow laughter,
Blow caress,
Light blows and breeze blows.
Let our hearts be
Open to everything,
Who is Life.
Come Holy Spirit!

SONG. Holy Spirit how I love you: UCKG Macau

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pocce2RDOqtY>

Song: Come Holy Spirit: By city harvest church

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-R8fjO1hlg8>



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