

TALKING ABOUT PENTECOST >>>

The Church celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. Pentecost occurs fifty days after Easter. It is often referred to as the birthday of the Church. On Pentecost, the sanctuary colors and priest's vestments are red, symbolizing the fire of Pentecost and the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. In the Scripture readings, the liturgical music, and the gestures of the assembly, the Church celebrates God's empowering activity through the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

God's Word



Read **1 Corinthians 6:19–20**, which describes the dwelling of the Holy Spirit within us and our responsibility to respect our bodies.

HELPING YOUR CHILD UNDERSTAND >>>

Pentecost

- At this age, children will generally relate to the Holy Spirit as a guide and friend.
- Most children this age know what it is like to have spirit, and that knowledge is easily related to the Holy Spirit.
- At this age children usually have very vivid imaginations and will easily relate to the sights and sounds of the Pentecost story.



FEASTS OF THE SEASON >>>

Feast of Saint Philip Neri

May 26

Saint Philip Neri is an example of a holy person with a sense of humor. One time during prayer he felt a globe of light enter his mouth and sink into his heart. From that time on he had unending energy to serve God and he started speaking to people of all walks of life about God.

FAMILY PRAYER >>>



Say this prayer together daily in the upcoming week.

Come Holy Spirit, fill us with the fire of your love that we may never tire of using your gifts to serve others and draw closer to you. Amen.



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