

May 28th & June 4th, 2023

A Mighty Wind: Scott Hahn Reflects on Pentecost Sunday

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn
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First Reading: Acts 2:1–11 | Psalm 104:1, 24, 29–31, 34
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3–7, 12–13 | Gospel: John 20:19–23

The giving of the Spirit to the new people of God crowns the mighty acts of the Father in salvation history.

The Jewish feast of Pentecost called all devout Jews to Jerusalem to celebrate their birth as God's chosen people in the covenant Law given to Moses at Sinai (see Leviticus 23:15–21; Deuteronomy 16:9–11).

In today's First Reading, the mysteries prefigured in that feast are fulfilled in the pouring out of the Spirit on Mary and the Apostles (see Acts 1:14).

The Spirit seals the new law and new covenant brought by Jesus, written not on stone tablets but on the hearts of believers, as the prophets promised (see 2 Corinthians 3:2–8; Romans 8:2).

The Spirit is revealed as the life-giving breath of the Father, the Wisdom by which He made all things, as we sing in today's Psalm. In the beginning, the Spirit came as a "mighty wind" sweeping over the face of the earth (see Genesis 1:2). And in the new creation of Pentecost, the Spirit again comes as "a strong, driving wind" to renew the face of the earth.

As God fashioned the first man out of dust and filled him with His Spirit (see Genesis 2:7), in today's Gospel we see the New Adam become a life-giving Spirit, breathing new life into the Apostles (see 1 Corinthians 15:45, 47).

Like a river of living water, for all ages He will pour out His Spirit on His body, the Church, as we hear in today's Epistle (see also John 7:37–39).

We receive that Spirit in the sacraments, being made a "new creation" in Baptism (see 2 Corinthians 5:17; Galatians 6:15). Drinking of the one Spirit in the Eucharist (see 1 Corinthians 10:4), we are the first fruits of a new humanity—fashioned from out of every nation under heaven, with no distinctions of wealth or language or race, a people born of the Spirit.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

To our dear parishioners who used the envelope system for the weekly donation to the Parish in 2022, your income tax receipts are ready on February 11th, Saturday, at the Sacristy. Please pick up your receipt on the weekend after Mass or during the week, Monday to Friday, from 9:00 am to 2 pm. Thank you.

ADORATION

Come spend some time with Our Lord.

Tuesdays 6pm to 7pm (*mass at 7pm*)

Thursdays 8am to 9am (*mass at 9am*)

Fridays 9:30am to 10:30am (*mass at 9am*)

First Saturday of the Month 10:30am to 11:30am (*mass at 10am*)

OUR LADY OF FATIMA ONLINE MINISTRIES

The Rosary

Emil & Irah Tirona are hosting an online interactive rosary, Mondays at 7:30pm.

For those interested, kindly send an email to Emil and Irah (irahtirona@gmail.com), so you may be added to the online invitation. Please call 514-617-4021 if you need any online technical assistance or have questions.

Homilies & Reflections

During the current COVID restrictions, while the parish is either closed to the public or limited in the number of those who can gather for mass, from time to time Fr. Jason will post on the parish website a homily or reflection on various faith related subjects. You can find the homilies at the following link: <http://www.our-lady-of-fatima.ca/homilies/>

COVID NOTICE:

The Church is **OPEN** to the public gatherings indoors.

NO RESERVATIONS are required.

You can check regularly our parish website for updates:
www.olof.ca

SAINTLY WISDOM

"You, Mary, are God's best creation. No one has ever loved God so intimately as you, O glorious Lady."

- *Saint Bridget of Sweden*

MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

This feast day is celebrated on the Monday after Pentecost, which is on **May 29th** this year. We have added a **mass at 9am** to the usual schedule so that we can celebrate this beautiful Marian feast together.

CALLED HOME TO THE FATHER

Condolences and prayers to the family of our former parishioner;

Elizabeth Yvonchuk, and also for **Brian Shannon**.

May they rest in the merciful embrace of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

ANNOUNCED MASSES
May 27th – June 11th, 2023

Saturday 4:30 p.m.	May 27th	Sunday Vigil Mario Alesi – RIP – by the family
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	May 28th	Pentecost (Year A) Eva Kennedy - Thanksgiving <i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday 9 a.m.	May 29th	Mary, Mother of the Church Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	May 30th	Weekday May O'Donnell – RIP – by Joan
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	May 31st	Visitation of Mary Maria Ondrechak – RIP - by Kevin and Linda Piper
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	June 1st	Saint Justin Leonarda Magtanong – RIP – by Anna
Friday 9:00 a.m.	June 2nd	Saint Marcellinus & Saint Peter Norm Silverman – RIP – by Lesley
Saturday 10:00 a.m.	June 3rd	Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions Lydia Chan and Mo Keung Mark – RIP – by the family
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	June 3rd	Sunday Vigil Mathilde Wojciechowski – RIP – by Edmund and family
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	June 4th	Most Holy Trinity (Year A) Angela, Rose, Giuseppe Mignacca – RIP – by the family <i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday	June 5th	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	June 6th	Saint Norbert Juanel Z. Reyes – RIP – by the Palanca family
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	June 7th	Weekday Joyce Nelson Sanidad – RIP – by Felix and Leonora Villanueva
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	June 8th	Weekday Fernande Mondoux - RIP – by Josee Tiseo
Friday 9:00 a.m.	June 9th	Saint Ephrem Ina Carvajal and Madeleine Leynes – RIP – by Mercedes and family
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	June 10th	Sunday Vigil In honor and thanksgiving to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus – by Ofelia Roy
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	June 11th	Body and Blood of Christ (Year A) Mo Keung Mark and Wai Fong Tam – RIP – by the family <i>Pro Populo</i>

THE FIVE PRAYERS OF FATIMA

The Fatima Prayer/Decade Prayer

(Mary told the children that people should add this prayer to the end of each decade of the Rosary.)

“O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy. Amen.”

The Sacrifice Prayer

(Mary gave the children this prayer, as well as the Fatima Prayer/Decade Prayer, on June 13th, 1917. The prayer is meant to be recited when you are offering up suffering to God.)

“O Jesus, it is for the love of Thee, in reparation for the offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and for the conversion of poor sinners [that I do this].”

The Pardon Prayer

(This prayer was given to the children by the angel that visited them in 1916, the year before Mary appeared to them.)

“My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I beg pardon for all those that do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee.”

The Angel's Prayer

(This is another prayer given to the children by the angel. There was a Eucharistic host and chalice suspended in the air, and the angel led them in kneeling before it and praying this prayer.)

“O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary I beg the conversion of poor sinners.”

The Eucharistic Prayer

(When Mary appeared to the children for the first time on May 13, 1917, she said, “You will have much to suffer, but the grace of God will be your comfort.” According to Lucia, a bright light shone all around them, and without thinking about it, they all started reciting this prayer.)

“Most Holy Trinity, I adore Thee! My God, my God, I love Thee in the Most Blessed Sacrament.”