

May 23, 2021: Pentecost Sunday

**PRELUDE:** *Performed by Tom Fagan*

**Prelude on Veni Creator Spiritus**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xHsUISGGF5g>

**INTRODUCTORY RITES:**

**Introduction:**

**Good morning to all of you. Welcome to today's Liturgy of the Word on this Pentecost Sunday.**

**We acknowledge our presence on the traditional territories of the Indigenous communities that preceded the founding of our parish.**

*– pause –*

**We encourage full, conscious, and active participation in today's celebration. All are invited to pray and sing together. Our participation, in whatever form, is a gift and ministry to each other.**

**Today's homily is offered by our Pastor, Fr. Jim Bleackley.**

**Let us begin with a moment of silence as we prepare our hearts and minds for transformation and renewal.**

***ONE Minute of Silence***

**Sharing in God's peace - let us welcome each other.**

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**Entrance Chant:**

**Holy Spirit Come to Us – Jacques Berthier - Taizé Community**

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

**Greeting:**

**Leader:**           **We gather in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.**

**ALL:**               **Amen.**

**Penitential Act:**

**Leader:** Sisters and brothers, not out of dread and fear,  
but believing that God is faithful to forgive, let us  
rid ourselves of what we need to carry no longer.  
– *pause* –

**Leader:** Lord Jesus, you appeared among your disciples  
after the resurrection: Lord, have mercy.

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy.

**Leader:** Christ Jesus, you bestowed upon them peace and the  
Spirit's presence: Christ, have mercy.

**ALL:** Christ, have mercy.

**Leader:** Lord Jesus, you share with us the same peace and  
the same Spirit: Lord, have mercy.

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy.

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**Leader:** May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our  
sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

**ALL:** Amen.

**Gloria:**

**Leader:** Together let us sing praise to God.

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

**Collect:**

**Leader:** Let us pray: *- pause -*

Lord God,

through the mystery of this holy feast

you sanctify your Church in every nation and people.

Pour out the gifts of your Spirit

across the face of the earth,

and in your merciful kindness

touch the hearts of all believers

as you touched those who first heard

the preaching of the gospel.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God for ever and ever.

**ALL:** **Amen**

**Leader:** Let us prepare to listen to God's Word.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD:**

\*\*\* Please see the document titled “Readings for Pentecost Sunday”. The readings from the Children’s Lectionary are also included for those families with young children. The second reading is omitted when the readings for children are used. Pre-recorded readings are available via this link: <https://bible.usccb.org/podcasts/audio/2021-05-23-usccb-pentecost-daily-mass-readings>

**First Reading.....Acts 2.1-11**

<i>RESPONSE AT THE END OF THE FIRST READING:</i>	
<b>Lector:</b>	<b>The word of the Lord.</b>
<b>ALL:</b>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

*\*\*\* 30 seconds of silence\*\*\**

**Responsorial Psalm ..... Psalm 104**

[https://www.livingwithchrist.ca/mp3/B-138%20Pentecost%20Sunday%20B%20-%20Psalm%20104.mp3?\\_ga=2.174991073.212298573.1621532546-1279089305.1591722439](https://www.livingwithchrist.ca/mp3/B-138%20Pentecost%20Sunday%20B%20-%20Psalm%20104.mp3?_ga=2.174991073.212298573.1621532546-1279089305.1591722439)

**Second Reading..... 1 Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13**

<i>RESPONSE AT THE END OF THE SECOND READING:</i>	
<b>Lector:</b>	<b>The word of the Lord.</b>
<b>ALL:</b>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

*\*\*\* 30 seconds of silence\*\*\**

**Sequence.....Veni Creator Spiritus**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oe8pnl4mDlo>

**Gospel Acclamation..... Come, Holy Spirit**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1X63bvqmRg8>

*RESPONSE AT THE BEGINNING OF THE GOSPEL:*

**Lector:**            **A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
John.**

**ALL:**                **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel..... John 20.19-23**

*RESPONSE AT THE END OF THE GOSPEL:*

**Lector:**            **The Gospel of the Lord.**

**ALL:**                **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Homily..... Fr. Jim Bleackley**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=exYyMv9zGCM>

**Profession of Faith:**

*\*\*\* Following the reflection, the Leader invites those gathered to profess their faith with the Apostles' Creed. Pg. 15 in the Sunday Missal.*

**Leader:** Let us profess our faith together:

**ALL:** I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
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.

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## **Prayers of the Faithful:**

**Leader:** Let us bring our prayers before God.

*\*\*\* See the PDF titled "Pentecost Sunday 2021 – Prayers of the Faithful"*

*\*\*\*Response: **Loving God, hear our prayer.***

*\*\*\*Following the Intentions, the Leader prays the following:*

**Leader:** God of wind and fire, hear our prayers and pour out your enlivening Spirit upon us as we are sent forth to serve others in this time and place. Grant us the same courage and determination that you gave to Jesus' followers. It is in his name that we respond and we pray.

**ALL:** **Amen.**

## **HYMN:**

**Veni Sancte Spiritus – Jacque Berthier - Taizé Community**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CF7kD2HvSKk>

**THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

**Leader:** With the words that Jesus taught us, let us now pray together:

**ALL:** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**Leader:** Deliver us, God, from every evil.  
Graciously grant peace in our days,  
that by the help of your mercy,  
we may always be free from sin  
and safe from all distress,  
as we await the blessed hope  
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**ALL:** **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.**

**Leader:** Lord, Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:  
“I leave you peace, my peace I give you.”  
Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your Kingdom, where you live for ever and ever.

**ALL:** **Amen**

**Sign of Peace:**

**Leader:** Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

**Closing Prayer:**

**Leader:** We conclude our celebration with a Common Prayer for Laudato Si' Week:

**Creator God, we thank you for the gift of life which you lovingly wove into being.**

**We confess we have not cared for your creation.**

**Your world grows hotter, hungrier, sicker, and the people and planet cry out for hope.**

**In your love, Lord, we answer for we know that things can change.**

**Give us the courage to bring Laudato Si' to life to care for all communities and species suffering from environmental harm.**

**Bless all who labour for an integral ecology that they might inspire others to discover your face in our suffering and beautiful world.**

**We ask this in Jesus's name.**

**ALL:** **Amen**

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**CONCLUDING RITES:**

**Blessing:**

**Leader:** May almighty God bless us, the Father, and the Son,  
and the Holy Spirit.

**ALL:** Amen.

**Dismissal:**

**Leader:** Let us go forth in the peace of Christ, alleluia,  
alleluia.

**ALL:** Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

**CLOSING HYMN:**

**Litany of the Holy Spirit – Dan Schutte**

<https://youtu.be/nhF1fm8cy9w>

**POSTLUDE:** *Performed by Tom Fagan*

**Choral varié -- Veni Creator**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pf9I2WFKOJ4>