

Ascension of the Lord

May 24, 2009

Theme: *Jesus commissioned us to witness to the world and to preach to the nations.*

Masses of the Week

Sunday	10th	8:00 AM	✠●	The Martin Marterone Family <i>requested by the William Kuhn Family</i>
Sunday	10th	10:30 AM	✠●	Mass for the People of Prince of Peace
Monday	11th	8:30 AM	✠	Anita C. Soulard
Tuesday	12th	8:30 AM	✠	Andrea Miller
Wednesday	13th	8:30 AM	✠	Catherine Monahan <i>requested by Bob & Linda McDonald</i>
Thursday	14th	8:30 AM	✠	Betty Hobbs <i>requested by Jeff Hobbs</i>
Friday	15th	8:30 AM	✠	Dorothy Zych <i>requested by Dottie Lemond</i>
Saturday	16th	5:30 PM	✠	Claude Beard <i>requested by Suzanne Beard</i>



Flowers on the altar are in memory of Claude Beard by Suzanne Beard.

CHURCH NURSERY



10:30 MASS (ONLY)

CONFERENCE CENTER, ROOM 107

The nursery is FREE to assist parishioners with childcare during the 10:30 am Mass each Sunday.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Next Sunday, May 31st is Pentecost (Greek for "50th day") Sunday. Pentecost was originally a Jewish feast that concluded the 50 days of Passover and celebrated the end of the barley harvest, the beginning of the wheat harvest, and the gift of the law to Moses at Mt. Sinai.

Pentecost is celebrated by Christians 50 days after Easter, and marks the day that the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles while they were cowering and hiding behind locked doors following Jesus' resurrection. After receiving the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit, the apostles immediately went out and preached Jesus' message to everyone—even those who spoke other languages.

SYMBOLS OF PENTECOST

The symbols of Pentecost are wind, fire and a dove. The first symbol—wind—is taken from the noise the apostles heard as the Spirit descended upon them (Acts 2:2). After the wind, flames appeared and rested upon the heads of each of the apostles (Acts 2:3).



A dove serves as a symbol of the Holy Spirit.

There is no mention of a dove in Acts, but we associate a dove with the Holy Spirit because of the story about Jesus' baptism: "After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened [for him], and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove [and] coming upon him" (Matthew 3:16).

CELEBRATING PENTECOST

One way to celebrate Pentecost is to wear something red. The color of the vestments worn by priests on Pentecost is red, to symbolize the love of the Holy Spirit, or the tongues of fire that appeared over the heads of the apostles on Pentecost. You don't have to stop there. See how many ways you can incorporate the color red in your celebration (use a red tablecloth, etc.)