

CONFIRMATION READINGS – Bishop James Francis Checchio

FIRST READING **Acts 2:1-6, 14, 22b-23, 32-33**

All were filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in different tongues.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

**When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled,
they were all in one place together.**

**And suddenly there came from the sky
a noise like a strong driving wind,
and it filled the entire house in which they were.**

**Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire,
which parted and came to rest on each one of them.**

**And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak in different tongues,
as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.**

**Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven
staying in Jerusalem.**

**At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd,
but they were confused
because each one heard them speaking in his own language.**

**Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice,
and proclaimed to them:**

**“You who are Jews, indeed all of you staying in Jerusalem.
Let this be known to you, and listen to my words.**

**“Jesus the Nazorean was a man commended to you by God
with mighty deeds, wonders, and signs,
which God worked through him in your midst,
as you yourselves know.**

**This man, delivered up by the set plan and foreknowledge of God,
you killed, using lawless men to crucify him.**

**“God raised this Jesus;
of this we are all witnesses.**

**Exalted at the right hand of God,
he received the promise of the Holy Spirit from the Father
and poured it forth, as you both see and hear.”**

The word of the Lord.

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SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 12:4-13

*But one and the same Spirit produces all these gifts,
distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.*

A reading from the first letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters:

**There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit;
there are different forms of service but the same Lord;
there are different workings but the same God
who produces all of them in everyone.**

**To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit
is given for some benefit.**

**To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom;
another the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit;
another faith by the same Spirit;
another gifts of healing by the one Spirit;
another mighty deeds;
another prophecy;
another discernment of spirits;
another varieties of tongues;
another interpretation of tongues.**

**But one and the same Spirit produces all of these,
distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.**

**As a body is one though it has many parts,
and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body,
so also Christ.**

**For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body,
whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons,
and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.**

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GOSPEL **John 14:23-26**

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything.

✠ **A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus said to his disciples:

**“Whoever loves me will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him.**

**Whoever does not love me does not keep my words;
yet the word you hear is not mine
but that of the Father who sent me.**

“I have told you this while I am with you.

**The Advocate, the Holy Spirit
that the Father will send in my name—
he will teach you everything
and remind you of all that I told you.**

The Gospel of the Lord.