

Family Pentecost Novena Day 1 – Friday May 14

How to use this novena: Find a quiet place and gather your family together. Start and end each day with the Sign of the Cross. Go through each part slowly and prayerfully. Use the Praise and Prayer section to help you enter into worship and then use the suggested song, or one of your own, to worship the Lord as a family. *Click the song name to follow the link.* Use the Called to Greatness section to have a family discussion about how the Holy Spirit can work in your life. Pray for that specific grace as you end with the simple Novena Prayer: Come, Holy Spirit!

Proclamation: The Holy Spirit is the Gift that Jesus promised to send me from the Father. I will ask the Father for this Gift and wait with joy to receive Him.

Scripture: John 15:16 *excerpt from the Gospel Reading of today's Mass*

"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you."

Praise and Prayer: "God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy; the Lord, amid trumpet blasts. Sing praise to God, sing praise; sing praise to our king, sing praise." *from responsorial psalm, Psalm 47*

Heavenly Father, I look to you in Heaven, seated on your glorious throne. I worship you and sing with all my heart.

Worship the Lord: [FULLNESS](#) Elevation Worship

Called to Greatness: *Read the above Scripture one more time.* Did you notice what Jesus said? He has chosen you to belong to him! And he has chosen you to "bear fruit". What do you think that means? I hope it doesn't mean that you will have bananas growing out of your ears! And here's the best part: Jesus said that when you belong to him, you can ask his Father for anything. Wow! And what is God's greatest gift to us? Himself. So be bold, be brave – ask for more of Him.

Novena Prayer: Come, Holy Spirit!

Symbols of the Holy Spirit: The Dove



The Holy Spirit is often symbolized as a dove. This image is from Saint Peter's Basilica in the Vatican City. Does it look like the one we have at CTK? The Catholic Church uses this symbol because the Gospels tell us that a dove descended on Jesus at his baptism in the Jordan.