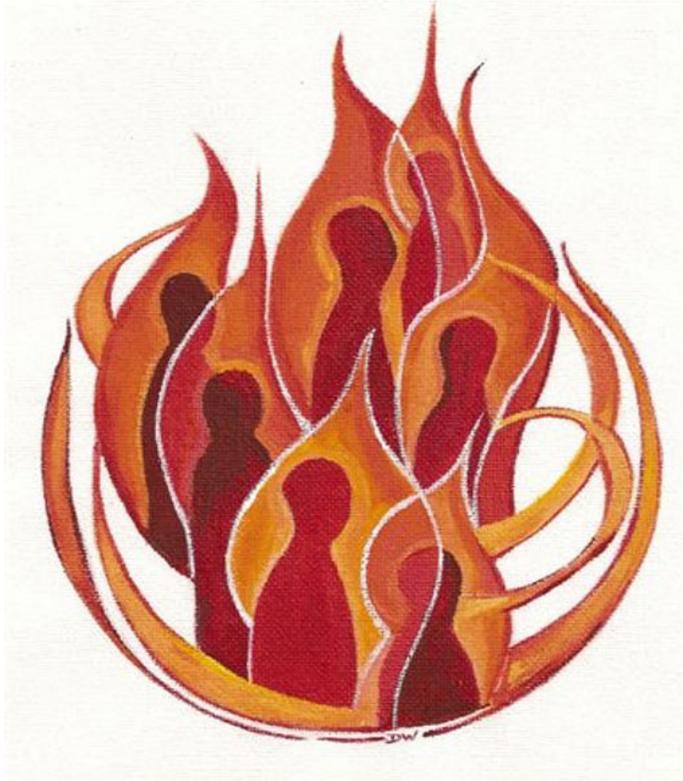


The Congregations of All Saints, Vendée



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HOLY COMMUNION FOR PENTECOST

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THE GATHERING

The president says

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The president greets the people

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you. **And also with you**

Jesus Christ whom we worship, is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord and we have walked with him through his journey of love. We have faced the agony of his suffering upon the cross. We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death. We have enjoyed his risen presence with us and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread. We have seen his return to the throne before which every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord. And now, with the followers of his own time, we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people, through whom we make Christ known to the world.

Let us worship God. It is time. Come Spirit, move in the church of God. **Holy Spirit, come to God's people.**

As we wait in silence, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we listen to your word, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we worship you in majesty, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your refreshing, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your renewing, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your equipping, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your empowering, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As part of God's Church here in the Vendée, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be your guide?
By the Spirit's power, we will.

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love? **We will.**

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need? **We will.**

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longing of God? **We will.**

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's darkest places? **We will.**

HYMN

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

THE BLESSING

May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into you the life he gives. **Amen**

May the Spirit who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord. **Amen**

May the Spirit who set the Church on fire upon the day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty**Amen**

Filled with the Spirit's power, go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

The president and people receive communion.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION

Silence is kept.

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Holy Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Blessed are you, sovereign God, overflowing in love. With Pentecost dawns the age of the Spirit. Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer. Strong and weak, women and men tell out your word; the young receive visions, the old receive dreams. With the new wine of the Spirit they proclaim your reign of love. Amid the birth pangs of the new creation the way of light is made known. Source of freedom, giver of life, blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Please stand. Candles are lit.

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us.

HYMN

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

What God has prepared for those who love him, he has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything. Therefore, let us in penitence open our hearts to the Lord, who has prepared good things for those who love him.

Silence is kept.

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart:
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE PRAYER FOR PERSONAL RENEWAL

We have oil for the renewal of God's people. At Easter we renewed our Baptismal vows, now we have the offer of personal renewal, we bring our sins before God and accept his loving mercy and, if we wish, we accept the marking with oil to signify our desire for renewal.

Be with us, Spirit of God;
Nothing can separate us from your love.

Breathe on us breath of God;
Fill us with your saving power.

Speak in us, wisdom of God;
Bring strength, healing and peace.

Blessed are you, sovereign God and eternal Father.
Daily your Spirit renews the face of the earth, bringing
your strength out of weakness, hope out of despair
and life out of death. By the power of your Holy Spirit,
may your blessing rest upon those anointed with this oil
in your name. Let it be for them a sign of your acceptance
and adoption, your equipping and empowering.
Form in them the likeness of Christ, that they may be
witnesses of your astonishing love, and fill them afresh
with life in all its fullness.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God for ever.

Those who wish to receive this ministry of prayer may come forward.

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Let us praise and bless God for ever.

HYMN

THE GLORIA

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:**

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with
confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we
proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Praise to you Lord Jesus. **Dying you destroyed our death, rising you
restored our life: Lord Jesus come in glory.**

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, let us pray with
confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

THE AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace

Blessed be God, who feeds the hungry, who raises the poor, who fills our praise. **Blessed be God forever.**

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord. This day we give you thanks because in fulfilment of your promise you pour out your Spirit upon us, filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth, and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith. Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father, to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood. Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name, for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We praise and bless you loving Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord: and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

**have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your church with the breath of love, and
renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

At the end of the readings the reader may say:

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN

The Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of your love. There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit, by the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body. **Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Lord.**

SERMON

THE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from
heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin
Mary and was made man
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped

and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and
apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness
of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

And at the end

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Please stand for the Peace

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a
pledge of what is to come, he has given the Spirit to dwell in our
hearts. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

HYMN