

### **INTRODUCTION:**

On this great feast of Pentecost, we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit poured upon the Church. As we gather in faith, may the Spirit renew our hearts, unite us in love, and strengthen us to witness boldly to Christ in our daily lives.

### **READINGS:**

**First reading:** Acts 2: 1-11,  
**Psalm:** 104: 1ab & 24ac, 29bc-30, 31 & 34  
**Second reading:** 1corinthians 12: 3b-7,12-13  
**Gospel:** John 20: 19-23

### **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

**Celebrant:** Filled with the Holy Spirit who guides and strengthens us, let us present our prayers with confidence.

Our response: **Blessed Lord, hear our prayer**

- For the Universal Church, that the Holy Spirit may unite us in love and inspire us in our mission across all nations, we pray to the Lord.
- For all our world leaders, that the Spirit may inspire them to promote peace, justice, and unity among all peoples, we pray to the Lord.
- For all of us, that the Spirit may deepen our faith and strengthen us to live as witnesses of Christ, we pray to the Lord.
- For those burdened by fear, suffering, or doubt, that the Spirit may bring comfort, healing and renewed hope, we pray to the Lord.
- For vocations to the priesthood and the religious life, that many may respond generously and joyfully to God's call, we pray to the Lord.
- O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, grant us sufficient rain, so that, being supplied with what sustains us in this present life, we may seek more confidently what sustains us for eternity. We pray to the Lord.
- For our personal needs and intentions, that God may be generous with His blessings, (*pause in silence*), we pray to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** Gracious Lord, hear the prayers of Your people and fill us with Your Spirit, that we may live in unity through Christ our Lord. Amen.