

Mary Magdalene Apostle Catholic Community

“A new way to be Roman Catholic”

- Making Catholicism relevant
- Restoring women’s ordination
- Living the change we envision



*When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.
Acts 2:1, 4*

Worship Aid & Eucharistic Prayer

Pentecost Season

Opening Song

Knowing God’s Hesed, God’s Loving-Mercy

O God, we do not fully acknowledge Your Spirit within us.
[R] *Help us to embrace Your presence within us.*

Jesus the Christ, we do not trust enough your promise to send the Spirit.
[R] *Help us to grow in trust and hope.*

O God, we do not fully acknowledge Your Spirit in our midst.
[R] *Help us to receive Your Spirit with joy and gladness.*

May the God of Pentecost forgive our unresponsiveness to the Spirit and open our hearts to its freedom and grace. *Amen.*

Gloria [Sung]

Opening Prayer

The Word

First Reading

The Word of our God. [R] *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm

Second Reading

The Word of our God. [R] *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Acclamation (Music and lyrics by Michael Tompkins)

*Alleluia, alleluia! We listen to the word of God.
Alleluia, alleluia! We proclaim the gospel of our God!*

Gospel

May God be with you. [R] *And also with you.*
A reading from the Gospel according to
[R] *Glory to You, O God.*

The Gospel of our God. [R] *Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.*

Homily

Profession of Faith

(by Sister Joan Chittister, OSB; edited version)

*We believe in God who made us all
and whose divinity infuses life with the sacred.
We believe in the multiple revelations of God,
alive in every human heart, expressed in every culture,
found in all the wisdoms of the world.*

*We believe in Jesus, the Christ,
who leads us to the fullness of humanity,
to what we are meant to become.
Through Christ, we become new people,
called beyond the consequences of our brokenness,
lifted to the fullness of life.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the breath of God on earth,
who keeps the Christ vision present
to souls yet in darkness,
gives light to hearts now blind,
infuses energy into spirits yet weary,
isolated, searching and confused.*

*We believe in God who is life.
Amen to courage, to hope, to spirit of truth, to nature,
to happiness, to wholeness,
to the partnership of women and men in God's plan,
to the Christ who calls us
beyond the boundaries of ourselves, to forgiveness,
and to everything that stretches our hearts
to the dimensions of God.
In all of this, we can surely believe, as God does.*

Prayer of the Faithful

Offertory Song

Presentation of Gifts

Preparation of the Bread and Wine

Blessed are You, God of all creation.
Through Your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

[R] *Blessed be God forever.*

Blessed are You, God of all creation.
Through Your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become our spiritual drink.

[R] *Blessed be God forever.*

Pray that we become one in the Spirit of God.

[R] *We are gathered as community.
Empower us by Your Spirit.*

Prayer with our Gifts

Our Eucharistic Prayer

God dwells in you.

[R] *And also in You.*

Let us give thanks to the God of All.

[R] *Hearts burning with love,
we give God thanks and praise.*

Presider

God of Pentecost, Eternal, Searing Spirit, You burn within us and light our way. We thank You for Your presence and action in our world. We thank You for turning our hearts to peace in the midst of conflict. We thank You for opening our hearts to our enemies and joining our hands in friendship with those from whom we are estranged.

Voice 1

Your Spirit evokes understanding, puts an end to strife, quenches hatred with compassion, and conquers vengeance with forgiveness. In the holiness of this gathering, and the gathering of our holiness, we join our praise of You with that of all creation:

Sanctus

[Recited]

Holy, holy, holy God, God of Spirit, God-in-us. Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed are all who come in the name of God. Hosanna in the highest.

Presider

Sacred Spirit, we ask for renewed awareness of Your presence within and among us. Fill us with reverence for You, for Your life in us, and Your life in all creation. Enkindle in us the fire of Your love.

Voice 2

We praise You for the gift of Jesus in history and the gift of Jesus in faith. Through him, You breathe new life into us; through him You are among us. You raised him up from among Your people to baptize us in holy Spirit and fire.

Voice 3

His life and death captured the essence of You. Jesus burned with insight and truth, revealing You in his life well lived. When challenged by religious authorities, he burned with the fire of integrity and endured the fire of suffering.

Voice 4

We remember how Jesus gathered with his friends on the night before he died, to share a final, Passover meal.

[Please extend your hand, palm up, toward the bread and wine.]

Presider

And so, God of Pentecost, we praise You through Jesus. We recognize Your Spirit alive and at work in this bread and wine, and in us. We open ourselves to Your Spirit who sanctifies and transforms these gifts to become You in us, the body and blood of Christ. We remember that...

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...on the night before Jesus died, while at supper with his friends, he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to them saying: Take this, all of you and eat. This bread is you; this bread is me. We are one body, the presence of God in the world. Do this in memory of me.

[Pause]

In the same way, Jesus took the cup filled with wine. He said the blessing, gave the cup to his friends, and said: Take this all of you and drink. This wine is you; this wine is me. We are of one blood, the presence of God in the world. Do this in memory of me.

Presider

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

***Jesus lived in the Spirit.
Jesus died in the Spirit.
Jesus lives in us in the Spirit.***

Voice 5

In response to Your Spirit within and among us, we remember those people, living and dead, who touched our lives and left Your footprint on our hearts. We remember people everywhere who seek You with hearts afire.

Voice 6

We remember those who work to kindle the fire of Your Spirit in others. We pray that you send Your Spirit into the hearts and souls of our religious leaders. Keep them in communion with the life and teaching of Jesus. Keep them in communion with Your church.

Voice 7

Be with all those who are sick and those who suffer. Be with all who have died. Be with us in our struggling attempts to be Your faithful daughters and sons. Be with us as we seek to do Your work. With the help of Your Spirit, strengthen us to live lives that bring You honor and glory:

Great Amen

Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ, forever and ever.

(Music and lyrics by Michael Tompkins)

We eat this bread; we drink this cup.

We share as one body of Christ.

We give our thanks; we give our thanks.

Amen, amen, amen!

Our Prayer with Jesus

(Music by Rus Kosits; Words by Unknown))

Loving God in whom is heaven;

May your name be honored everywhere.

Your kin-dom come, your hearts desire;

Be done in us, by us, and through us.

Give us the bread we need for each day;

Forgive us, enable us to forgive others.

And keep us from all anxiety

And free us from all fear.

For you reign in the pow'r of love and your glory

Forever and ever amen.

Communion

The Sign of Peace

Jesus, the Christ, You said to your disciples, "My peace I leave you. My peace I give you." Look on the faith of those gathered here. Give us Your peace. Spread Your peace throughout the world, always and forever. *Amen.*

May the peace of God be with you always.

[R] *And also with you.*

Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, You call us to spirit-filled living.

Lamb of God, You call us to spirit-filled service.

Lamb of God, You call us to be Your spirit in the world.

Grant us peace.

Presider

Made one in the Spirit, we are God's body.

[R] *We are blessed to share in this meal.*

Communion Song

Prayer after Communion

Closing Blessing

Closing Song