

Universal Prayer
Solemnity of Pentecost
May 19 & 20

We pray that all Catholic families and communities will openly encourage young men and women to serve the Church through the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life.

We pray that Christians throughout the world will be guided by the Holy Spirit to set aside differences and work together in our mission to help people have a personal encounter with Jesus Christ.

We pray that those recently initiated into the Church through the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation will be open to the Holy Spirit's guidance in their lives as they grow in their discipleship.

We pray for the success of our parish Pentecost Festival. May the Holy Spirit use us as instruments of unity as we celebrate the diversity in our parish and in the Universal Church.

We pray for the persecuted, displaced, and imprisoned in our society. May Christ's message of acceptance and love guide each of us to help our brothers and sisters in need.

We pray that all the souls of the faithful departed will share in Christ's victory over death, and for **Emma Shanks – and – Peggy Berens** who are remembered in this Mass.