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PENTECOST SUNDAY, *Solemnity*  
June 8, 2014

At the Vigil Mass  
Extended form and Simple form

**Prayer after Communion:**

May these gifts we have consumed  
benefit us, O Lord,  
that we may always be aflame with the same Spirit,  
whom you wondrously poured out on your Apostles.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Reflection:**

At this same Mass, we pray in the Prayer over the Offerings and in the Eucharistic Prayer that the Holy Spirit would sanctify the gifts of bread and wine. In a sense, by consuming the Body and Blood of Christ, it is we who are consumed by the flames of the Holy Spirit. Through partaking of the Eucharist, we receive the same Spirit that Christ gave to the Apostles and are empowered with Pentecostal zeal.

The fact that the Spirit was poured out “wondrously” evokes the miracles of Pentecost – the tongues of fire and the great deeds then performed by the Apostles. And because the mission and lineage of the Apostles continues in the Church through the ages, we still benefit from and contribute to the work of the Holy Spirit today.

**Prayer:**

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy divine consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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