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## KNIGHTS IN REGALIA

A farewell from our Father Tony!



### The Holy Spirit is Our Guide

The Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday this year falls in the month of May and it will be nice to share a reflection on the impact of the Holy Spirit in our lives. The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity and it is the life giving

power of any Christian. The Holy Spirit is the life wire of every true Christian because it is only through the power of the Spirit can we bear authentic witness to our faith. Without the Spirit of God in us we may be working in the flesh and such cannot bear fruit as witnesses and soldiers of Christ. "For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the Spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of sonship. When we cry 'Abba' Father. It is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our Spirit that we are children of God" Rm 8:14-16.

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In the Gospel of John, we are told, "On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors were being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them peace be with you." Jn 20:19. John goes on to say, "And when he had said this, he breathed on them, Receive the Holy Spirit." Jn 19:22. Thus, with the out pouring of the Holy Spirit they were given power and commissioned to go out and preach the good news. One spectacular thing that happened was that immediately after they had received the Spirit from Jesus,

they went about preaching with power and boldness the message of the Good News of Jesus Christ. That means that when we are filled with Holy Spirit we become bold, courageous and ready to announce the good news of the salvation without fear of anybody. The reception of the Spirit ignited in them the fire that drove away fear and these local fishermen who had no political power, no resources and no high education became fishers of men. When we are filled with the power of the Holy Spirit we draw people to Christ. This is so because we are no longer operating in the bodily form but, it is the Spirit of God that works in us that does the work. In Acts 1:8, before the Ascension when the apostles asked him if he would at this time restore the kingdom to Israel, He said to them, "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria." The words of Jesus in these passages are clear evidence of what the Holy Spirit ought to do in our lives. This is a promise Jesus made to his disciples and to each one of us.

In another place, Paul tells us that the Spirit comes to our aid even when we feel unable to help ourselves. In Saint Paul's letter to the Romans "Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words." And he goes further to say, "And he who searches the heart of men knows what is the mind of the spirit,

because the Spirit intercedes for saints according to the will of God." Rm 8:27-27. Two major works of the Spirit that stand out in these passages are: that the Spirit intercedes for us when we are too weak to pray and do not know how to pray as we ought to. Secondly, the Spirit searches the mind and intercedes for the Saints according to the will of God. The Spirit intercedes for us if we give him the chance to come into our lives.

My dear brothers of the Knight of Columbus, you have already been called and chosen in a special way to serve God and his church through your many works but you will become more effective if you allow the Holy Spirit to direct every single act of your action. You would become stronger when the Holy Spirit is given the chance to direct and lead you.

### **How Can One Receive this Power of the Holy Spirit**

The first step towards receiving the Spirit in our lives is through a life of prayer and reflection. In Acts 1:14, "All these with one accord devoted themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the Mother of Jesus and with his brethren." The apostles together with Mary were in the upper room praying when the Holy Spirit came upon them. What it means is that Mary, Mother of the Church, prayed with the Apostles as they awaited the promised Holy Spirit who would teach, guide and strengthen them. This underscores the point that to receive the Holy Spirit that would enable us bear authentic witnesses to the gospel

we must make out time for God in prayer. It is through prayer and in prayer that God pours down his power of the Holy Spirit on us. For us to receive the Spirit we must submit ourselves to God in prayer as the apostles did.

Another way we can receive the Spirit is in reconciled hearts. To be able to receive this spirit we must be ready to reconcile with one another and live in peace. The Spirit always comes as a gentle dove to hearts that are free from resentment and rancor. Hence, the Spirit of God that comes with peace can only be realized if we are able as one body of Christ to live in peace, love and unity. The Spirit does not dwell in bitterness, conflict or unforgiven heart. When we gather as Knights without a reconciled heart we drive the Spirit away and once the Spirit is driven away disharmony and conflict takes over. That is why we must always try to live in peace with our fellow knight in a reconciled heart least the devil takes over our gathering.

Finally, I wish to thank you all the worthy Knights of Columbus for your sacrifices, generous heart and the great work you do in our community and beyond. I have been motivated by your many gifts and works of charity you do for people. Let the light of the Holy Spirit keep leading you as you in the right direction. I wish you all a wonderful Pentecost



As your Grand Knight giving  
our donation to Terry of New  
Horizons.

May 4, 2018.

My Brother Knights,

Beautiful is the month of May; it brings the color palette of spring, the warmth of God's love, the beauty of heaven's gift of mothers.

Yes, we celebrate Mother's Day this month. Our blessed Mother is crowned Queen of angels. She gave us the purity of love through God's own Son. How blessed we are. Among us are women who have reached out and touched our children, sacrificed, loved and cared for those we call our family.

Well, Knights of Columbus members, how blessed are you? Give all of yourself to Christ who reaches out to each of us through His most infinite love. God, Himself has given us His Son. Jesus Christ has told us time and time again, I AM. He is our Father, we are His children. Do we reach out to others as Jesus children, or do we hide in our own comfort? Do we pray for each other for the strength of the Holy Spirit to be within ourselves. When we feel down and unsure of what life will bring do we say, Lord forgive me for my doubts, strengthen my soul, give healing to my pains for whom I offer it to you. Do I mention please Lord, let my life be your will, I will obey you as best I can. Please hear my prayers and assist those who suffer more than I. those who wish to receive you but can't. Be my shadow in life so that I may follow your light.

This month cultivate the garden of your soul, that it may bloom in beauty of your work. This month give extra care, love to the women who have sacrificed for you. This month reach out in prayer for those in need. This month look to and receive the Eucharist that is the living Christ, given to us.

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY** may our Blessed Mother be the voice that reaches out for you to her Son.

My prayers go out to you,

Vivat Jesus

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Our NEW volunteer pick up the trash sign is happening

Can You stop and spend 10 minutes to clean up the trash of the world. It is located 95 north Half way to the 40 We need to clean both sides of the street.

Thank you,  
William Lundy

Please pray for the Knights  
And their families.

Mike Graffeo surgery  
Paul Foss surgery

All the Knights of 6442  
Thank You



At the Missions Seminar. A little love from Father Barnabus. Knights supplied light/dinner one night of the seminar.

Remember the task at hand

