



The celebration of Pentecost is a reminder of our need for the Holy Spirit. **How often do you pray to and invite the Holy Spirit into your life?** Jesus left us with the Advocate to help us grow in holiness, but many of us don't understand how to incorporate this aspect of the Holy Trinity in our day to day lives.

In order to form a relationship with the Holy Spirit, **we must begin to grow in our knowledge of the Spirit.** This will require taking the time to come before the Spirit in prayer daily and asking for His intercessions, as well as looking for opportunities to discover more about the Paraclete. One way to do this is to learn from others who have studied the Holy Spirit in depth. Today we present 7 great resources to help you come to know the true gift of the Spirit. When you begin to realize the power of the Holy Spirit, your life can be transformed, renewed, and strengthened.

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The Holy Spirit and The New Evangelization

7 Must-Reads to Help You Understand the Power of the Holy Spirit

1. The Fulfillment of All Desire by Ralph Martin

“Whenever the Spirit intervenes, he leaves people astonished. He brings about events of amazing newness; he radically changes persons and history.” – Ralph Martin

2. True Devotion to the Holy Spirit by Luis M. Martinez

“He was conceived by the Holy Spirit . . . of the Virgin Mary.” That is the way Jesus is always conceived. That is the way He is reproduced in souls. He is always the fruit of Heaven and earth...Undoubtedly, the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary sanctify us in different ways. The first is the Sanctifier by essence, because He is God, who is infinite sanctity, and because He is the personal Love that completes, so to speak, the sanctity of God, consummating His life and His unity; and it belongs to Him to communicate to souls.” – Archbishop Luis M. Martinez

3. In the School of the Holy Spirit by Jacques Philippe

“We will obtain the grace to be faithful in the important things that at present we find impossible, by dint of being faithful in the little things within our grasp, especially when those little things are the ones that the Holy Spirit asks of us by calling to our hearts with his inspirations.” – Jacques Philippe

4. DIVINUM ILLUD MUNUS by Pope Leo XIII

“For He who is the Spirit of Truth, inasmuch as He proceedeth both from the Father, who is the eternally True, and from the Son, who is the substantial Truth, receiveth from each both His essence and the fullness of all truth. This truth He communicates to His Church, guarding her by His all powerful help from ever falling into error, and aiding her to foster daily more and more the germs of divine doctrine and to make them fruitful for the welfare of the peoples.” – Pope Leo XIII

5. Holy Spirit, River of Grace by St. Ambrose

“And do you assert rightly that the Holy Spirit is of one substance, brightness, and glory with the Son of God and with God the Father. I will sum up all in the oneness of the qualities, and shall not be afraid of any question as to difference of greatness.” – St. Ambrose of Milan

6. “I believe in the Holy Spirit.” from the Catechism of the Catholic Church

“No one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.”⁷ Now God’s Spirit, who reveals God, makes known to us Christ, his Word, his living Utterance, but the Spirit does not speak of himself. The Spirit who “has spoken through the prophets” makes us hear the Father’s Word, but we do not hear the Spirit himself.” – CCC 687

7. Sober Intoxication of the Spirit by Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa

“To be baptized into or with the Spirit of Holiness is to allow ourselves to be completely filled in our hearts and minds with Holiness, and to give over control of our lives to the Holy Spirit.” – Fr. Cantalamessa

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love. Send forth Thy Spirit and they shall be created. And Thou shalt renew the face of the earth. Let us pray. O God, Who didst instruct the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise, and ever to rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.