

Sixth Sunday of Easter | Year A

May 14, 2023 (Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 | 1 Pt 3:15-18 | John 14:15-21)

Philip brought many believers to Jesus Christ in Samaria. Then Peter and John arrived and prayed that the Holy Spirit might come upon them. Let us ask God for the Holy Spirit.

1/ Let all the earth cry out to God with joy, for his Spirit will come upon the earth. For Pope Francis, pastors, and deacons of the flocks. We pray that, endowed by the gifts of the Holy Spirit, they may preach well the message of salvation to all the world. Let us pray.

2/ Peter urges the early Christian to sanctify the Lord Jesus in their hearts by living their lives with hope and clear conscience. For all Christian Churches, especially the Catholic Church. We pray that the message of God's mercy be clearly preached to all the faithful. Let us pray.

3/ Jesus promises his disciples that God will send the Holy Spirit to dwell in their hearts. For all those who are seeking God. We pray that the Holy Spirit will touch their hearts with the message of truth, hope, and eternal life. Let us pray.

4/ Jesus further promises that he will not leave his disciples orphans. He will be with them to the end of the ages. For our sisters and brothers who labored in life through the faith of Jesus, but have now departed from us. We pray that God may give each of them the company of Jesus in his heavenly home. Today we remember **[at 4:30 PM]** Sonny and Betty Hardesty, Joe Jarboe, and Robby Sims; **[at 10:00 AM]** Bonnie Argabright Szwed, Carol Ammons, Stephen and Mary Ann Zanone, Joe Jarboe, and Robby Sims. Let us pray.

God our Father, and maker of all, the crown of your creation was the Son of Man, Jesus Christ, born of a woman, but without beginning; he suffered for us but lives for ever. May our mortal lives be crowned with the ultimate joy of rising with him, who is Lord for ever and ever.