

ABCs of Salvatorian Life, Vol. II



HOLY SPIRIT

If we desire to exercise the same office as the apostles, we need the Holy Spirit. What will we accomplish if we are not illuminated and guided by the Holy Spirit?

[Father Jordan, *Jordan Talks*, 1897/6/04]

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met together, when suddenly there came from heaven a sound as of a violent wind. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak different languages as the Spirit gave them power to express.

[Acts 2:1-4]

We are now preparing for Pentecost. This reminds us to prepare ourselves well to receive the Holy Spirit – the Spirit, which is necessary for a true Salvatorian. One cannot be a true Salvatorian without it, neither for oneself still less for others.

[Father Jordan, *Jordan Talks*, 1901/05/24]

Happy are they who come to view
whatever is and happens through
faith's transparent light.
The Spirit, through inner radiant rays,
illumines them with wondrous insight
and fills their heart with love ablaze.

[Blessed Mary of the Apostles, "True Happiness," *Poems by Therese*, p. 71]

Offer innumerable ejaculatory prayers to God ...

Veni Creator (Come Creator Spirit)

Veni Sancte Spiritus (Come Holy Spirit)

[Father Jordan, *Spiritual Diary*, 1/90]

Reflection Starters

- How do I experience the Holy Spirit as alive and active in my own life?
- How is the Holy Spirit calling me to move into the future?

For further reading and reflection:

1. Sr. Marion Etzel, SDS, "Salvatorians: On Fire with the Spirit," USA Salvatorian National Assembly, June 2016. Available in the Online SDS Library.
2. Sr. Carol Thresher, SDS, "The Holy Spirit in Early Salvatorian History," USA Salvatorian National Assembly, June 2016. Available in the Online SDS Library.