

ALIVE ^{IN} CHRIST

GRADE 2

Sacraments of Penance and Eucharist

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God the Holy Spirit

Let Us Pray

Leader: God, send us your Holy Spirit.

“May your kind spirit guide me.” **Psalm 143:10**

All: Holy Spirit, be with us always. Amen.

God's Word

“And [behold] I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

Luke 24:49



What Do You Wonder?

- What does the Holy Spirit look like?
- How do you know the Holy Spirit is with you?



Color in the stained glass frame around the image of the Holy Spirit.



One in Three

Who is the Holy Trinity?

You cannot see the wind, but you know that it is there. You cannot see God the **Holy Spirit** either, but you can see what the Spirit does.

Catholic Faith Words

Holy Spirit the Third Divine Person of the Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity the one God in three Divine Persons—God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit



God's Word

The Promise

Jesus knew he would be returning to his Father in Heaven. He wanted his followers to continue his work.

Jesus promised his followers, "The Advocate, the holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name—he will teach you everything and remind you of all that [I] told you." **Based on John 14:15–26**

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

Jesus teaches you that God is the Father of all. Jesus is the Son of God. And the Holy Spirit, sent from the Father and the Son, is also God.

But there are not three gods. There is only one God, who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Church's name for the one God in three Divine Persons is the **Holy Trinity**.

God the Father is the First Person of the Holy Trinity. God the Son became man in Jesus Christ. He is the Second Person of the Holy Trinity. God the Holy Spirit is the Third Person of the Holy Trinity.

Believing in the Holy Trinity is the most important part of your faith and you show your belief when you make the Sign of the Cross.



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Share Your Faith

Think Choose a color for each Person of the Holy Trinity, then color or decorate the circles using the colors you have chosen.

Share Talk about your picture with a partner.



Guided by the Spirit

How is the Holy Spirit with us today?

Jesus' followers are called his **disciples**. Before he returned to Heaven, he told them his plan.

God's Word

The Spirit Comes

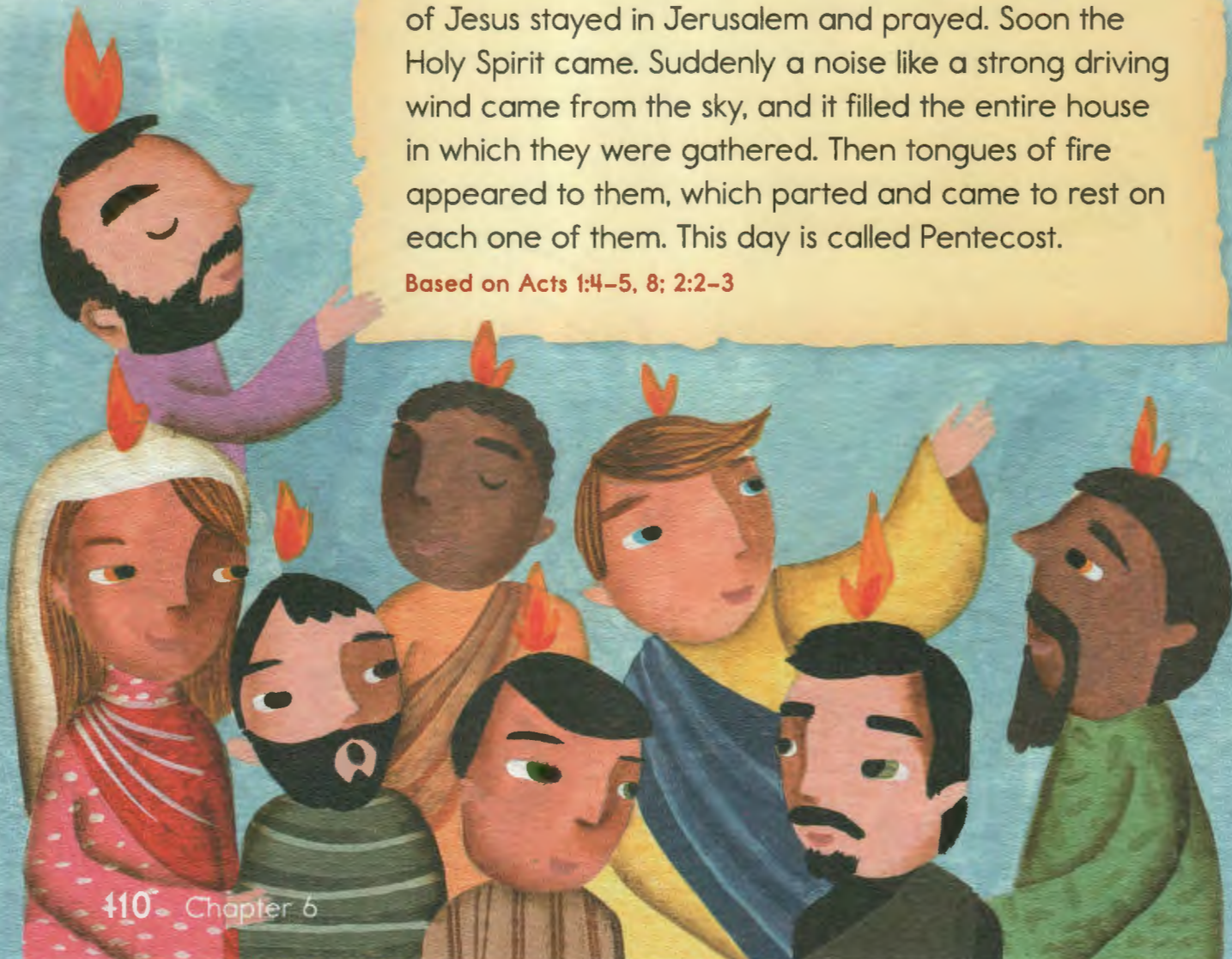
Jesus told his disciples to wait for the promise of the Father that he had told them about. He said, "You will receive power when the holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem . . . and to the ends of the earth."

The Twelve disciples and some other followers of Jesus stayed in Jerusalem and prayed. Soon the Holy Spirit came. Suddenly a noise like a strong driving wind came from the sky, and it filled the entire house in which they were gathered. Then tongues of fire appeared to them, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. This day is called Pentecost.

Based on Acts 1:4-5, 8; 2:2-3



Underline the ways the Holy Spirit came to the disciples on the day of Pentecost.



The Holy Spirit Today

After the Holy Spirit came to them at **Pentecost**, Jesus' Twelve closest disciples were guided to continue his work. They became known as his **Apostles**.

The Holy Spirit comes today through the Church's Sacraments, prayer, and in God's Word. The Holy Spirit guides the Church and makes Jesus' disciples holy. He helps you make good decisions and grow more loving.

Disciples of Jesus

Jesus' disciples are in every part of the world. The Holy Spirit teaches us all how to pray. The Spirit helps today's disciples remember and understand the stories of Jesus. You are learning to be a disciple of Jesus.

Catholic Faith Words

disciples followers of Jesus who believe in him and live by his teachings

Pentecost fifty days after the Resurrection when the Holy Spirit first came upon the Twelve disciples and the Church

Apostles the Twelve disciples Jesus chose to be his closest followers. After the coming of the Holy Spirit, they shared in his work and mission in a special way.

Connect Your Faith

Circle the Places Circle each place on the map where the Holy Spirit helps you be a disciple of Jesus.



Our Catholic Life

What does it mean to follow Jesus?

Jesus' first followers were his friends. They traveled with Jesus and listened to his stories. They saw how Jesus treated others. Jesus asked his Apostles and other disciples to help others learn about God's love.

You are Jesus' friend and follower, too. He wants you to listen to him and to live the way he lived. Being a disciple of Jesus means following his example.

Ways to Follow Jesus

- Pray to God the Father.
- Ask God the Holy Spirit to guide you.
- Think of other people, not only of yourself.
- Be fair to your family members and friends.
- Help people who are in need.



In the footprint, write or draw one way you can follow Jesus' example today.

People of Faith

Saint Arnold Janssen, 1837–1909

Saint Arnold Janssen was a German priest. He wanted everybody to know about Jesus. He helped priests and sisters, serving as missionaries, build churches all around the world. They went to faraway places like China. Saint Arnold prayed to the Holy Spirit to help with his work. He asked some religious sisters to help him pray. These sisters took turns praying all day and night for the missionaries. Today, sisters like these are sometimes called “Pink Sisters” because they wear pink habits.



January 15

Discuss: What do you pray to the Holy Spirit for?



Learn more about
Saint Arnold at
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Live Your Faith

Learn by Heart

Memorize the Prayer for the Holy Spirit.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.
And kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they will be created.
And you will renew the face of the earth.



 Let Us Pray

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

Gather and begin with
the Sign of the Cross.

Leader: Let us sing as we
ask God to send the
Holy Spirit to us
each day.
In our family...

All: Send us your Spirit,
O Lord.

Leader: With our classmates...

All: Send us your Spirit, O Lord.

Leader: In all that we say and do...

All: Send us your Spirit, O Lord.

Leader: We ask this in Jesus' name.

All: Amen.

 Sing "The Holy Spirit"

The Holy Spirit, sent from God above.
The Holy Spirit, bringing peace and love.
Receive the power of the Holy Spirit today!

The Holy Spirit, giving strength each day.
The Holy Spirit, showing us the way.
Receive the power of the Holy Spirit today!

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YOUR CHILD LEARNED >>>

This chapter explains that Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit to be our helper and guide.

God's Word



Read **Acts 2:1–4** to find out about the coming of the Holy Spirit on the first Pentecost.

Catholics Believe

- The Holy Spirit guides the Church and helps you to be a disciple.
- The Holy Trinity is one God in three Divine Persons.

To learn more, go to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* #237, 243 at usccb.org.

People of Faith

This week, your child met Saint Arnold Janssen, a German priest with a special devotion to the Holy Spirit.

CHILDREN AT THIS AGE >>>

How They Understand God the Holy Spirit The Holy Spirit might still be difficult for your child to understand, but children this age are growing in their understanding that the Holy Spirit lives in their heart. Because cause and effect is so important to children this age, reflecting on the Gifts and Fruits of the Spirit can help second-graders see the work of the Holy Spirit in their own lives. Talk with your child about the Fruits and Gifts of the Spirit (See the We Live section in the back of your book.), and point out times when you see examples in their actions.



CONSIDER THIS >>>

Imagine being invited somewhere you really want to go.

The greatest invitation we ever get is the invitation to spend all of eternity with God. "Heaven is the ultimate end and fulfillment of the deepest human longings, the state of supreme, definitive happiness' (CCC, no. 1024). This will be brought about by a perfect communion with the Holy Trinity, the Blessed Mother, the angels and saints. Jesus Christ opened heaven to us by his death and Resurrection" (USCCA, p. 153).

LET'S TALK >>>

- Have your child describe who the Holy Spirit is and what he does.
- Name some ways your family can be followers of Jesus.

LET'S PRAY >>>



Guard me, ... O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy. (Prayer of Saint Augustine)



For a multimedia glossary of Catholic Faith Words, Sunday readings, seasonal and Saint resources, and chapter activities go to aliveinchrist.osv.com.

Chapter 6 Review

A Work With Words Complete each sentence with the correct word or words from the Word Bank.

1. The Holy Spirit came to the disciples as .
2. The is one God in three Divine Persons.
3. The Holy Spirit helps us make good .
4. The day the Holy Spirit came is called .
5. The Twelve disciples became known as Jesus' after the Holy Spirit came to them.

Word Bank

- a. Apostles
- b. wind
- c. decisions
- d. Holy Trinity
- e. Pentecost

B Check Understanding Fill in the circle beside the correct answer.

6. You show belief in the Holy Trinity when you make the ____.
 Sign of the Cross sign of love sign of peace
7. Being a disciple of Jesus means following his ____.
 orders trail example
8. To follow Jesus, you need to think of ____.
 other people yourself only your friends
9. Jesus asked his Apostles to help others learn about ____.
 animals creation God's love
10. The ____ guides the Church.
 Holy Friends Holy Spirit Holy Week

