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Bless the Lord, O my soul!

O Lord, my God, you are great indeed!
How manifold are your works, O Lord!
the earth is full of your creatures.

R. Lord, send out your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth.

If you take away their breath, they perish
and return to their dust.

When you send forth your spirit, they are
created,

and you renew the face of the earth.

R. Lord, send out your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
may the Lord be glad in his works!

Pleasing to him be my theme;

I will be glad in the Lord.

R. Lord, send out your Spirit,
and renew the face of the earth.

R. Or: Alleluia.

READING II

1 Cor 12, 3-7, 12-13

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the
Corinthians

In one Spirit we were all baptized, making one body.

No one can say: "Jesus is Lord," except in the
Holy Spirit.

There are different gifts but the same Spirit;
there are different ministries but the same
Lord; there are different works but the same
God who accomplishes all of them in every
one. To each person the manifestation of the
Spirit is given for the common good.

The body is one and has many members, but
all the members, many though they are, are
one body; and so it is with Christ. It was in one
Spirit that all of us, whether Jew or Greek,
slave or free, were baptized into one body. All
of us have been given to drink of the one Spirit.
This is the Word of the Lord.

Sequence (Prose text)

Come, Holy Spirit, and from heaven direct on
man the rays of your light. Come, Father of the
poor; come, giver of God's gifts; come, light of
men's hearts.

Kindly Paraclete, in your gracious visits to

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man's soul you bring relief and consolation. If
it is weary with toil, you bring it ease; in the
heat of temptation, your grace cools it; if sor-
rowful, your words console it.

Light most blessed, shine on the hearts of
your faithful—even into their darkest corners;
for without your aid man can do nothing good,
and everything is sinful.

Wash clean the sinful soul, rain down your
grace on the parched soul and heal the injured
soul. Soften the hard heart, cherish and warm
the ice-cold heart, and give direction to the
wayward.

Give your seven holy gifts to your faithful,
for their trust is in you. Give them reward for
their virtuous acts; give them a death that
ensures salvation; give them unending bliss.
Amen. Alleluia.

OR (Poetic text)

Come, Holy Spirit, come!
And from your celestial home
Shed a ray of light divine!

Come, Father of the poor!
Come, source of all our store!
Come, within our bosoms shine!

You, of comforters the best;
You, the soul's most welcome guest;
Sweet refreshment here below;

In our labor, rest most sweet;
Grateful coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.

O most blessed Light divine,
Shine within these hearts of yours,
And our inmost being fill!

Where you are not, man has naught,
Nothing good in deed or thought,
Nothing free from taint of ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour your dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away:

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Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.

On the faithful, who adore
And confess you, evermore
In your sev'nfold gift descend;

Give them virtue's sure reward;
Give them your salvation, Lord;
Give them joys that never end. Amen.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Jn 20, 19-23

Alleluia

R. Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of
your faithful;
and kindle in them the fire of your love. R.
Alleluia.

✠ A reading from the holy gospel according to John

As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

On the evening of that first day of the week,
even though the disciples had locked the doors
of the place where they were for fear of the
Jews, Jesus came and stood before them.
"Peace be with you," he said. When he had said
this, he showed them his hands and his side.
At the sight of the Lord the disciples rejoiced.
"Peace be with you," he said again.

"As the Father has sent me,
so I send you."

Then he breathed on them and said:

"Receive the Holy Spirit.
If you forgive men's sins,
they are forgiven them;
if you hold them bound,
they are held bound."

This is the gospel of the Lord.

If it is customary or obligatory for the faithful to attend
Mass on the Monday or even the Tuesday after Pentecost,
the Mass of Pentecost Sunday may be repeated or the Mass
of the Holy Spirit used in its place.