

### Jesus Sends the Holy Spirit Through the Sacraments



In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the disciples that He is going away, but the Father will send the Holy Spirit to help them.



We can't see Jesus on earth any more, because His body went into Heaven at the Ascension. We can't see the Holy Spirit either, because He doesn't have a body. The Holy Spirit really is in the world, though. He is working in the Church and in people who obey and love God.



The Holy Spirit comes to us mainly through the sacraments. We get grace, which is God's life in us, when we receive the sacraments. Jesus gave us the sacraments to help us on our way to Heaven. Do you know the seven sacraments? Here is a list to help you to remember:



- Baptism
- Confession
- Confirmation
- Holy Communion
- Marriage
- Holy Orders
- Sacrament of the Sick



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**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:**

Couples must contact the Parish Office to arrange at least **6 months** before the desired date.

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.

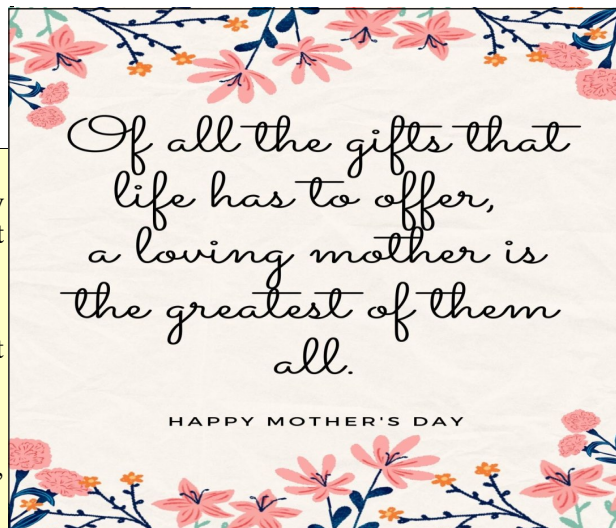
### A Mother's Day Word Search

Listen, my sons, to a father's instruction; pay attention and gain understanding. Proverbs 4:1

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FAMILY	EXAMPLE	GIVING	MOTHER	SPECIAL
HUGS	PARENT	KISSES	PATIENT	LOVING
FRIEND	WISE	WISE	CARING	HELPFUL



## St. Joseph the Worker Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

### Sealed with the Spirit.

Jesus will not leave us alone. He won't make us children of God in Baptism only to leave us "orphans," He assures us in today's Gospel. He asks the Father to give us His Spirit, to dwell with us and keep us united in the life He shares with the Father. We see the promised gift of His Spirit being conferred in the First Reading.

The scene from Acts apparently depicts a primitive Confirmation rite. Philip, one of the first deacons, proclaims the Gospel in the non-Jewish city of Samaria. The Samaritans accept the Word of God and are baptized. It remains for the Apostles to send their representatives, Peter and John, to pray and lay hands on the newly baptized that they might receive the Holy Spirit.

This is the origin of our Sacrament of Confirmation, by which the grace of Baptism is completed and believers are sealed with the Spirit promised by the Lord. We remain in this grace so long as we love Christ and keep His commandments, and, strengthened in the Spirit whom Jesus said would be our Advocate, we are called to bear witness to our salvation, to the tremendous deeds that God has done for us in the name of His Son.

In today's Psalm, we celebrate our liberation. As He changed the sea into dry land to free the captive Israelites, Christ suffered that He might lead us to God, as we hear in the Epistle. This is the reason for our hope, the hope that sustains us in the face of a world that cannot accept His truth, the hope that sustains us when we are maligned and defamed for His name's sake.

Put to death in the flesh, Christ was brought to life in the Spirit, Paul tells us, and as He himself promises: "Because I live, . . . you will live."

(excerpt: stpaulcentre.com)

**CONFESSIONS**

Every Saturday  
 9.00 - 10.00 a.m.  
 &  
 by appointment

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SUNDAY READINGS

**First Reading**

Acts 8:5-8,14-17

**Second Reading**

1Pt.3:15-18

**Gospel**

Jn.14:15-21

**MASS TIMES**

**GROS ISLET**

Morning Prayers:  
 5:45a.m.

**MONDAY**

6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY**

6:00 a.m.

**WEDNESDAY**

6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.  
 G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.

**THURSDAY**

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY**

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY**

6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.

**SUNDAY**  
 G/Islet/G.Riviere  
 7:30 a.m.

**Gros Islet/Monchy**  
 10:00 a.m.

**HOLIDAY**  
 Variable

**Honouring Our Mothers:**

This Sunday we thank all mothers, pray for them and honour them by celebrating Mother’s Day. This is a day to admit gratefully the fact that none of us is able to return, in the same measure, all the love that our mothers have given us. Their influence on their children is so great that it affects the children throughout their lives. Our mothers not only gave us birth but nursed us, nurtured us, trained us in their religious beliefs and practices, taught us good manners and ideal behavior, disciplined us as best as they could, and made us good citizens of our country, our Church, and our society.

There is no one like a mother, no substitute for her place, no equal to her love and placement in our own formation. Mothering is an ongoing relationship of love and care. For those whose mothers and grandmothers are still alive, cherish them today. Hug and kiss them. Honour them. Thank them. For those whose mothers have gone home to the Lord, remember them.

For all who bear the name Christian, the name of our eternal family, let us also honour the Mother of the Lord today. Her maternal care for Jesus still embraces all those who are joined to Him, as members of His Body, by that great new birth of Baptism. Happy Mother’s Day to all mothers and those who have shown us a mother’s care.



(excerpt: frtonyshomilies.com/ catholic.org)

**Looking to Ascension:**

When we think of holy days that are filled with joy, Easter and Christmas are generally the first ones we think of. The Solemnity of the Ascension of Our Lord is one holy day that is frequently overlooked. But it is filled with as much joy, hope and peace as Christmas and Easter.

Falling forty days after Easter Sunday, this day honours Jesus’ Ascension into heaven. It is the culmination of Jesus’ earthly life, until he returns to us. The Gospel of Luke recounts Jesus’ departure from his disciples and Mother: “While he blessed them, he parted from them, and was carried up into heaven. They worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple blessing God.” (Lk.24:50-53)

As Pope Francis reminded us, “Christ opened the path to us. He is like a roped guide climbing a mountain who, on reaching the summit, pulls us up to him and leads us to God. If we entrust our life to him, if we let ourselves be guided by him, we are certain to be in safe hands, in the hands of our Saviour, of our Advocate.” And John Paul II said: “be imbued with the hope that is so much a part of the mystery of the Ascension of Jesus. Be deeply conscious of Christ’s victory and triumph over sin and death. Realize that the strength of Christ is greater than our weakness, greater than the weakness of the whole world. Try to understand and share the joy that Mary experienced in knowing that her Son had taken his place with his Father, whom he loved infinitely. And renew your faith today in the promise of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has gone to prepare a place for us, so that he can come back again and take us to himself.”

(excerpt: beliefnet.com)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**THE SICK**

Patsy Crafton  
Iris Macauldy  
Marie Joseph  
Claudia Joseph

**DECEASED**

Ann Prince  
Ron Drakes  
Mary Alfred  
Henry Smith  
Maria Philip  
Frederick Joseph

**WEEKDAY READINGS**



**MONDAY**  
Acts 16:11-15  
Jn.15:26-16:4



**TUESDAY**  
Acts 16:22-34  
Jn.16:5-11



**WEDNESDAY**  
Acts 17:15,22-18:1  
Jn.16:12-15



**THURSDAY**  
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26  
Jn.15:9-17



**FRIDAY**  
Acts 18:9-18  
Jn.16:20-23



**SATURDAY**  
Acts.18:23-28  
Jn.16:23-28



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**GROS ISLET**

**CLERGY / RELIGIOUS**

**INTENTIONS**

**6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Sat May 9 - 6:00 p.m.**

**Sun May 10 - 7:30 a.m.**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.**

**Monchy - 10:00 a.m.**

**SHOUT  
with joy  
to GOD  
all the earth!**

Psalm 66:1

**Sp. Int:** The Glace family  
**B'day:** Antonia Regis  
**Thks:** Tamara Richard

**MISSA PRO POPULO**

**Guid & Success:** Rebecca Foster

**Thks:** Isidore & Ginerva Davidson

**Thks:** The Neptune family

**WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Mon May 11 - 6:00 a.m.**

**12:30 p.m.**

**Tue May 12 - 6:00 a.m.**

**Wed May 13 - 6:00 a.m.**

**12:30 p.m.**

**Grande Riviere - 6:00 p.m.**

**Thu May 14 - 6:00 a.m.**

*St. Matthias, Apostle*

**12:30 p.m.**

**Fri May 15 - 6:00 a.m.**

**12:30 p.m.**

**Sat May 16 - 6:30 a.m.**

*Mass at the Shrine*

Sr. Petronilla Banda

Fr. Festus Iwuagwu  
Rev. Wilfred Harris  
Rev. Marcellus Serieux

Rev. Anthony Pierre  
Rev. Vincent Norbert  
Rev. Madison Stanislaus

Sr. Mercy Masaka  
Sr. Mary Dungdung

Rev. Jeremy Joseph  
Sr. Marie Joseph

Rev. Errol Frederick  
Sr. Rosemarie Minj

**Dc'd:** Jane Joseph, Avery & Hilton Boxill

**Dc'd:** Theonie Gaillard  
Members of the Remy & Chong families

**St. Jude:** Sylvia Laurencin  
**Thks:** Diane & Richard Palton  
**B'day:** Marvan Pilgrim, Dylan St. Omer

**Guid & Success:** Isabella Zoe McLean

**Dc'd:** Philip Hippolyte  
Gercienne Hippolyte

**Parishioners**

**Dc'd:** Francois Similien, Pearl Leonty

**Thks:** Myrtle Wilson  
**B'day:** Arletta Huntley-Wells  
**Guid & Success:** Isabella Zoe McLean  
Gianna Marie Theobalds

**Dc'd:** Mary Agatha Ambrose  
Rose Ann Raymond  
James & Paulina Prudent  
The Verdant family, Leonty David

**Thks:** Mary Wellington & family

**B'day:** Antonia Regis  
**Thks:** Tyrone Chong & family