

May 2020 Wave of Prayer

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide on:-
3, 10, 17, 24, 31. and dioceses as below.

1 - 2 Aru in DR Congo; Kigezi in Uganda;
Ikeduru in Nigeria; Ho in Ghana; York in
England : Guyana & Suriname in Suriname

4 - 6 Uppershire in Malawi; Maralal Missionary
Area in Kenya; Makurdi & Ifo in Nigeria;
Tuam, Killala & Achonry in All Ireland and
Mumbai in India

7-9 Torit in South Sudan; Meru in Kenya;
Ikwuano in Nigeria; Sekondi in Ghana
and The Arctic in Canada

11 - 13 Twic East in South Sudan; Rarya in
Tanzania; Owerri & Ughelli in Nigeria;
Gippsland in Australia and Cashel &
Ossory in All Ireland

14-16 Maridi in South Sudan; Kirinyaga in
Kenya; Zaki-Biam & Ijesa North-East in
Nigeria: Waikato & Taranaki in New Zealand

18 -20 Grahamstown in South Africa; Masasi in
Tanzania; Afikpo in Nigeria; Wiawso in
Ghana; Chester in England and Northern
Argentina in Argentina

21-23 Christ the King in South Africa; East
Rwenzori in Uganda; Gombe & New Busa
in Nigeria and Bunbury in Australia

23-27 Bor in South Sudan; Mount Kilimanjaro
in Tanzania; Oru & Oleh in Nigeria;
Rockhampton in Australia and Agra in India

28 - 30 Angola; North Ankole in Uganda; Okene
& Ibadan-South in Nigeria; Aberdeen &
Orkney in Scotland and Karnataka South in India

Final Blessing

**Breath of God, inspire us. Power of God,
invigorate us. Fire of God, ignite us. God of
Pentecost be our blessing. Amen**

May 2020: Midday Prayers Building hope and confidence Come Holy Spirit

Monday: Come Holy Spirit

If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!

Luke 11:13

**Come Holy Spirit. Fill us with your power,
enfold us in your love, inspire us with your
truth. Come Holy Spirit.**

Spirit of God, refining like fire, free as the wind,
gentle as a dove, come among us. Cleanse our
hearts, liberate our souls, bring peace to our
minds, and send us out with power to proclaim
the kingdom of God, in the name of the living
Christ. Amen.

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**With joy we receive the gift of the Spirit;
the promise of God fulfilled in our lives.
Amen**

Tuesday: Breath

Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.' And with that he breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'

John 20:21-22

**Come Holy Spirit. Imbue us with your
breath of life that we may walk with you
the way of holiness. Come Holy Spirit.**

Breathe in me O Holy Spirit that my thoughts
may all be holy;
Act in me O Holy Spirit that my works, too, may
be holy;
Draw my heart O Holy Spirit that I love but what
is holy;
Strengthen me O Holy Spirit to defend that is
holy;

Guard me then O Holy Spirit that I always may be
holy. *St. Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430)*

**With joy we receive the breath of the
Spirit; the promise of God fulfilled in our
lives. Amen**

Wednesday: Wind

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they weren't sitting.

Acts 2:1-2

Come Holy Spirit. Fill us with your mighty power to boldly declare the wonders of God through our words and our deeds. Come Holy Spirit.

Come as a mighty rushing wind to fill our weak and empty lives with your strength and power.

Blow away the cobwebs of our fears and hesitations and make us clean to serve.

Thunder upon our world scattering debris of injustice and breaking down barriers.

With joy we encounter the wind of the Spirit; the promise of God fulfilled in our lives. Amen

Thursday: Fire

They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. *Acts 2:3*

Come Holy Spirit. Ignite us with your fire; fill us with words of truth. Come Holy Spirit.

Your Pentecostal fire spread not from priest or king but from ordinary lives when through your disciples you set this world aflame.

So fill us, we pray, that your Spirit's power might be seen through our ordinary lives.

Rekindle the fire in our hearts that was lit when we first believed, that we might become a blessing to many.

**God of power and glory,
we praise your holy name.
Amen**

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Friday: Dove

As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: 'You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.'

Mark 1:10-11

**Come Holy Spirit. Rest upon us as a dove;
a messenger from the Father to inspire us
in ways of peace. Come Holy Spirit.**

Holy Spirit, coming gently as a dove, we pray for all who long for peace, and all who have lost sight of what peace really means.

We think of those in homes racked by tensions, families split by petty disputes, communities scarred by prejudice and intolerance, and countries torn apart by war.

May dialogue triumph over confrontation, and unity replace division.

As you came at Pentecost, come again today. Amen

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Saturday: Water

Jesus said, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.' By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. *John 7:37-39*

**Come Holy Spirit.
Flow in our lives
as a stream of living water
to quench our spiritual thirst.
Come Holy Spirit.**

Soft summer rain falling on parched earth
Waters of God, flow down upon us.

Torrential floods ripping lives into pieces
Waters of God, have mercy upon us.

Soaking waters which nourish the seed
Waters of God, replenish us.
Katherine Hawker: <http://liturgyoutside.net>

**With joy we drink of the water of the
Spirit; the promise of God fulfilled in our
lives. Amen**