

St. John's Pentecost 2021

Let us pray: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and **kindle in us the fire of Your Love.**

Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations. Through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

At Pentecost, the Holy Spirit **kindled** in people of faith and in the Church the **fire of the risen Christ's love**. This fire is meant to be **ablaze in our hearts** and transform us from our old selves, who lived according to our own agenda, into disciples of Christ, who now live according to His agenda and live with **His love filling our hearts.**

So, we intentionally search ourselves and **bring an end to:** fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these (Galatians 5:19-21).

And, we **replace these with the fruit of the Spirit:**

Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23)