

From your Rector

Pentecost

This Sunday we celebrate what is often called the birthday of the Church. Happy birthday to you all! We also bring to completion our celebration of the Easter Season.

On this feast of Pentecost, as we celebrate the formation and the mission of the whole Christian community, we also need to reflect on the role that God has for each one of us, to reflect on the contribution that we can make to the corporate mission of the Church and of the group with which we are involved.

As we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost and we give thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit, praying for the transformation of our lives and for the renewal of the Church. A prayer which really caught my imagination a few years back and which I still use, goes like this:

*God of power, may the boldness of your Spirit transform us,
may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us,
may the gifts of your Spirit equip us to serve and worship you now and always.*

Amen

For me, this prayer sums up the essence of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit and I offer it to you for Pentecost and beyond.

With my love and prayers and good wishes

Your friend and Rector

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