

From Bishop Knestout – May 1, 2021

During this holy season of Easter, amidst the challenges we have overcome this year, our thoughts turn to the upcoming Feast of Pentecost, the day in which we and all the faithful celebrate the birth of our Church, we elevate our attention toward the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

The profound effect of all of us working and praying together for the inspiration and encouragement of the Holy Spirit to find new ardor and energy in expressing our faith; inviting those who have been distant, to return to the full and active participation in the life of the Church, will be the fruit of the Holy Spirit who 'renews the face of the earth'.



Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit,
and guide us throughout the Diocese of Richmond
as we embark on our third century in Your Service.
We humbly ask You to strengthen our trust in You
and our eagerness to share the Gospel message with others.
Enkindle in us a keen desire to grow
in our relationship with You
and to Encounter You in Your sacraments.
Through the intercession of
Mary, Star of the New Evangelization,
and St Vincent de Paul,
may we experience a new Pentecost and
a profound renewal of faith in our diocese, our parishes,
our families, and our hearts.
Amen.