DERRY DIOCESAN CATECHETICAL CENTRE

Celebrate Pentecost

The Gifts of the Holy Spirit

A Time of Prayer

Receive! Believe! Live!

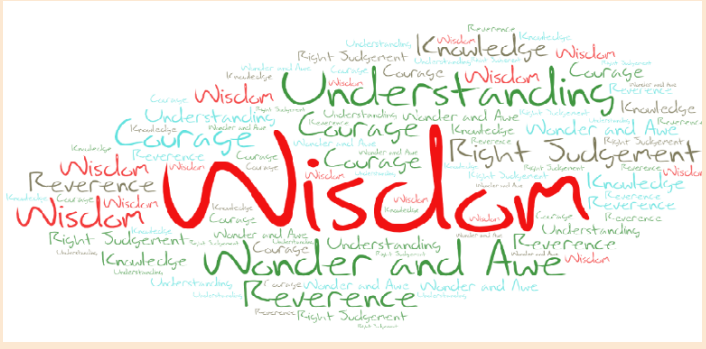
Opening Hymn:
https://youtu.be/ccaFnRYLTok Spirit of the Living God

Opening Prayer:
Holy Spirit, we come to you in prayer today. We hear the beating of our hearts, as we listen in silence for your voice. We ask that your tongues of fire touch our lives, as you did the apostles and inspire us to act with love. We thank you for the many gifts that you have given us, and we promise to use them well, so that the presence of God is made visible in our lives and the lives of others. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord . Amen

Litany:
We pray, each day, that we may put into practice the gifts of the Holy Spirit.
R: Spirit of God, be with us, we pray.

Through the gift of Wisdom	Spirit of God, be with us, we pray.
Through the gift of Understanding	Spirit of God, be with us, we pray.
Through the gift of Right Judgement	Spirit of God, be with us, we pray.
Through the gift of Courage	Spirit of God, be with us, we pray.
Through the gift of Knowledge	Spirit of God, be with us, we pray.
Through the gift of Reverence	Spirit of God, be with us, we pray.
Through the gift of Wonder and Awe	Spirit of God, be with us, we pray.

Scripture: John 14:25-27
Jesus said, 'I have told you this while I am still with you. The Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and make you remember all that I told you. Peace is what I leave with you; it is my own peace that I give you. I do not give it as the world does. Do not be worried or upset; do not be afraid.
The Gospel of the Lord
R: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



Intercessions:

Leader:

We pray that we may use wisely the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our lives, as we bring our prayers and requests to God, our loving Father.

Response: Spirit of the living God, hear our prayer

1. Loving Father, we thank you for the gifts of your Holy Spirit; May we use these gifts wisely and often so that we will be the presence of Jesus to those whom we meet every day. Together we pray,

R: Spirit of the living God, hear our prayer

2. Loving Father, we pray for our family and friends: May the presence of your Holy Spirit in their lives, strengthen them and give them the courage they need to face life's challenges. Together we pray,

R: Spirit of the living God, hear our prayer

3. Loving Father, we pray for children and young people: May they listen to the the voice of your Holy Spirit within them, make good choices in life, and praise you in all they do and say. Together we pray,

R: Spirit of the living God, hear our prayer

4. Loving Father, we pray for those who are sick in our school and parish communities and for those who care for them. May they, find solace and hope in the strength your Holy Spirit brings to them in their suffering. Together we pray,

R: Spirit of the living God, hear our prayer

5. Loving Father, we pray for and remember family and friends who have died during the past year: May they find eternal rest in heaven. Together we pray,

R: Spirit of the living God, hear our prayer

We place these prayers and our own intentions before God as we say together the prayer that Jesus himself taught us. **Our Father....**

Closing Prayer:

May God, our Father, keep us close in his loving arms.
May God the Son, Jesus, keep us on the path of love.
May God, the Spirit, keep us on the path of enlightenment.
Amen.

Closing Hymn: Go tell Everyone