



# SHRINE BULLETIN

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## WEEKLY REFLECTION

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### Receive the Holy Spirit

By Fr. Robert Foliot S.J.

Jesus says in today's Gospel, "Receive the Holy Spirit." Most of us have already received the Holy Spirit in Baptism. And then in Confirmation, we received the Holy Spirit in the fullest of ways. But the Spirit wants to fan each of us and everything into flame. The Spirit is the spark that ignites.

Pope Francis talks about a moment in his early life when the Holy Spirit ignited desire and conviction within him. It was September 21, 1953, the Feast of St. Matthew. He was a student at the time. It was a school holiday, and he and his friends planned to meet up at the park for a picnic. On his way to this holiday celebration, he passed a Church, the Basilica of San José de Flores, which he had been attending since he was a child. He felt drawn into the church as if by a wind, and then when he saw the priest there, a priest he had never met before, he felt drawn to the confessional. There, he says, he experienced the shock of unexpectedly meeting God. Pope Francis says, "God was there waiting for me; He knew I would come. I could say that I fell to the ground on that day, like Paul of Tarsus." That encounter in the confessional changed his life. He just knew deep down that he was being called to be a priest. That kind of urge is one of the ways the Holy Spirit works. Deep down we just know "this is what I must do, this is where I must go." There is a strong desire in us that takes over. It sometimes happens in conversation. Something clicks! We say, "I got an idea!" And accompanying the idea is a strong desire to make it happen.

This coming October in Rome, the second session of the Synod will take place. Over 350 cardinals, bishops, priests, nuns, and lay women and men will gather from every part of the world. They will ask, "What is the Holy Spirit saying and doing in the world today?" Most probably they will begin with the sharing of viewpoints that are very different. But after much prayer together, each representative will get a turn to concisely speak their thoughts. Then all will try to listen to the speaker with openness and lots of love. In that context the Holy Spirit will enlighten. Delegates may say, "I think and see differently now." *They will have received the Holy Spirit.* Let us listen with openness and love to the people around us, even though they think so differently than we do.

## MASS INTENTIONS

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*Holy Mass can be gifted and reserved inside of the Visitor Office.*

### Sunday, May 19

- 09:00 Laurenso Thuan Nguyen †
- 10:30 Jay Gonzalvo & Family
- 12:00 Eddie Martina
- 15:00 Mr. & Mrs. Gilhula †
- 19:30 MSA & Benefactors

### Monday, May 20

- 10:30 Aimo & Juliet Fernandes
- 12:00 Jian Elmer Vergara
- 15:00 MSA & Benefactors

### Tuesday, May 21

- 10:30 Aimo & Juliet Fernandes
- 12:00 Aimo & Juliet Fernandes
- 15:00 MSA & Benefactors

### Wednesday, May 22

- 10:30 Daphne Pinheiro
- 12:00 Aimo & Juliet Fernandes
- 15:00 MSA & Benefactors

### Thursday, May 23

- 10:30 Daphne & Ladislaus D'Souza
- 12:00 Shawn & Denise D'Penha
- 15:00 MSA & Benefactors

### Friday, May 24

- 10:30 Lila & Amado Tira
- 12:00 Zuly Casseer
- 15:00 MSA & Benefactors

### Saturday, May 25

- 09:00 Nicola & Frank Furlando †
- 10:30 Maria & Frank Garisto †
- 12:00 Troydon D'Penha
- 15:00 Sarita de Souza Family
- 19:30 MSA & Benefactors