

[PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - BREATHE, READ SLOWLY]

Let us pray for God to fill us with the Spirit.

**Generous God, we thank you for the power of your Holy Spirit.
We ask that we and those who lead among us
may be strengthened to serve you better,
remembering especially Michael our Presiding Bishop,
and Andrew, Allen, and Mary our diocesan Bishops.**

Lord, come to bless us

[People: and fill us with your Spirit.]

**We thank you for the wisdom of your Holy Spirit.
We ask you to grant us insight to understand your will.
Bless with discernment and moderation
those who bear the authority of government:
especially Donald our President, Andrew our Governor,
and Bill our Mayor.**

Lord, come to bless us

[People: and fill us with your Spirit.]

**We thank you for the peace of your Holy Spirit.
We ask you to keep us confident of your love wherever you call us.
Encourage and protect all those working today
for the good of their communities and the health of the world.**

Lord, come to bless us

[People: and fill us with your Spirit.]

**We thank you for the healing of your Holy Spirit.
We ask you to bring reconciliation and wholeness
wherever there is division, sickness, and sorrow.
We pray especially this day for all those affected by the coronavirus
pandemic, from this city to the farthest reaches of your creation.**

Lord, come to bless us

[People: and fill us with your Spirit.]

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We thank you for the gifts of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to equip us for the work which you have given us. Commit this parish afresh to its core values of faith, integrity, inclusiveness, compassion, social justice, and stewardship.

Lord, come to bless us

[People: and fill us with your Spirit.]

We thank you for the fruit of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to reveal in our lives the love of Jesus.

Lord, come to bless us

[People: and fill us with your Spirit.]

**We thank you for the breath of your Holy Spirit,
given us by the risen Lord.**

**We ask you to keep the whole Church, living and departed,
in the joy of eternal life.**

Lord, come to bless us

[People: and fill us with your Spirit.]

[Wait at the lectern as the Celebrant prays: Generous God, you sent your Holy Spirit upon your Messiah at the river Jordan, and upon the disciples where you found them: in your mercy fill us with your Spirit; hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy for ever.]
AMEN.

[RETURN TO YOUR SEAT]