

A Coptic Orthodox Icon of Pentecost - The Descent of the Holy Spirit

**The Ninth Annual
Roman & Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christian
Ecumenical Service of Prayer for Christian Unity
Celebrating Pentecost**

*That they may all be one as You, Father are in Me and I in You.
- (John 17:20)*

**Christ Cathedral Arboretum
Garden Grove, CA**

Friday, May 29, 2015 7PM

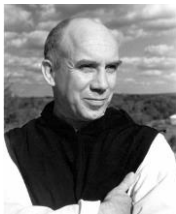
The Uniting of the Churches of East and West



It is legitimate to affirm that the gap between the Catholic and Orthodox Church is not very wide. We have almost everything in common. It seems to me, in fact, that the question we must ask ourselves is not so much whether we can re-establish full communion, but rather whether we still have the right to remain separated. The sin of our separation is very serious. May the Lord open our hearts, convert our minds and inspire in us concrete, courageous steps, capable if necessary of breaking through clichés, easy resignation or stalemate. The deepest

nature of the Church demands it.

- *St. John Paul II (1920-2005)*



If I can unite in myself, in my own spiritual life, the thought of the East and the West, of the Greek and Latin Fathers, I will create in myself a reunion of the divided Church and from that unity in myself can come the exterior and visible unity of the Church. For if we want to bring about the unity of East and West, we cannot do it by imposing one upon the other. We must contain both in ourselves and transcend them both in Christ.

- *Father Thomas Merton (1915-1968)*



The whole teaching of the Latin Fathers may be found in the East, just as the whole teaching of the Greek Fathers may be found in the West. Rome has given St. Jerome to Palestine. The East has given St. John Cassian to the West and holds in special veneration that most Roman of the Romans, Pope St. Gregory the Great. St. Basil the Great would have acknowledged St. Benedict of Nursia as his brother and heir. St. Macrina would have found her sister in St. Scholastica. St. Alexis, the "Man of God," the "poor man under the stairs," has been succeeded by the wandering beggar St. Benedict Labre. St. Nicholas would have felt as very near to him the burning charity of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Vincent de Paul. St. Seraphim of Sarov would have seen the desert blossoming under Father Charles de Foucauld's feet and would have called St. Therese of Lisieux "my joy."

- *Father Lev Gillet (1893-1980)*
(who wrote under the pseudonym "A Monk of the Eastern Church")

Mission Statement for the Ecumenical Prayer Service at Pentecost

(approved on January 27, 2008)

Lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another in love, in all humility, gentleness and patience. Make every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism and one God who is the Father of all, above all, through all and in all. (Ephesians 4:1-5)

The mission of the Ecumenical Service of Prayer for the Christian Unity at Pentecost is to foster a deeper sense of prayer and work for unity among Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox and Oriental Orthodox Christians by invoking the Holy Spirit to guide us towards that unity which we all confess in the Creed and which Christ prayed for His disciples in the Gospel of John (17:21-23): *May all of them be one, Father, just as You are in Me and I am in You; may they also be one in us so that the world may believe that You have sent Me. I have given them the glory that You gave Me that they may be one as We are one. I in them and You in Me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that You have sent Me and have loved them even as You have loved Me.*



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St. Luke's Antiochian Orthodox Church - 2014 Host

Christ Cathedral, Diocese of Orange - 2015 Host

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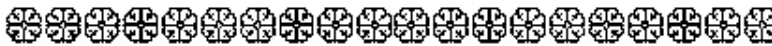
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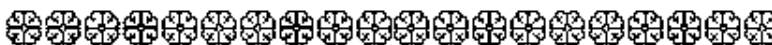
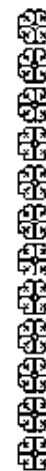
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St. Cecilia Roman Catholic Church

St. Pope Kyrillos VI Coptic Orthodox Church



*The Lord Jesus
promised His disciples:
“The Comforter, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you everything
and remind you of all that
I have said to you.”
- John 14:25-26*





Participating Bishops

Bishop Kevin Vann of the Diocese of Orange – Host Bishop

Bishop Tod Brown, retired bishop of the Diocese of Orange

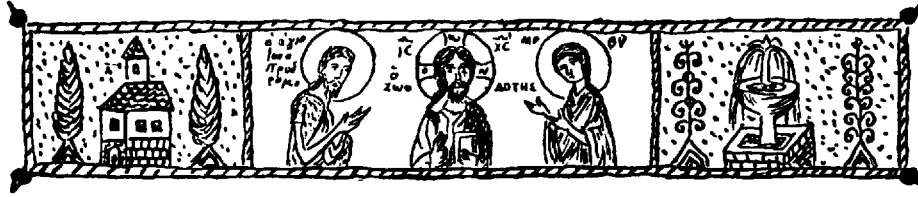
Archbishop Hovnan Derderian, the Western Diocese of the Armenian Church



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(in alphabetical order)

Fr. James Babcock	Pastor of Virgin Mary/St. Jacob Melkite Greek Catholic Church
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Fr. Stephen Washko	Pastor of the Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church
Fr. Joseph W. Boules	Parish Priest of St. Mary & St. Verena Coptic Orthodox Church
Fr. Kerry Beaulieu	Pastor of Our Lady Queen of Angels Roman Catholic Church
Fr. Ashur Elkhoury	Pastor of St. Paul Assyrian Church of the East
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Fr. Athanasius Ragheb	Parish Priest of St. Pope Kerollos VI Coptic Orthodox Church
Fr. Michael Tassos	Pastor of St. Luke's Antiochian Orthodox Church
Fr. Steven Tschlis	Pastor of St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church
Fr. Hrant Yaretzian	Archpriest of the Armenian Apostolic Church



The Procession and Entrance The Great Doxology

(Sung by the choir of St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church)

Glory to You who has shown us the light!

Glory to God in the highest and peace on earth, good will among all!

We sing our hymns of praise to You; we bless, we worship, and glorify You;

We give our thanks to You, our God, for Your magnificent glory.

Lord, King, Heavenly God, Father Almighty, Lord, the only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ and Holy Spirit.

Lord, God, the Lamb of God, Son of the Father Who takes away the worldly sins, have mercy on us, You Who take away the sins of the world. You Who are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer and have mercy on us. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, Jesus Christ, to the glory of God, the Father, Amen.

Every day I will bless You, and praise Your name forever, and to the ages of ages.

Grant, O Lord, that on this day, we may be kept without sin.

Blessed are You, O Lord, God of our Fathers: forever Your name be praised, and glorified, Amen. Lord, let Your mercy come upon us, for we have placed all our hope in You.

Blessed are You O Lord, teach me Your commandments. (3X)

From generation to generation, O Lord, You have been our refuge. I said, Lord, have mercy on me and heal my soul, for I have sinned against You. Lord, unto You I have fled; Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God.

For with You is the source of Life and in Your light, we shall see light.

Extend Your loving kindness to those who know You.

Holy is God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. (3X)

Glory to the Father and the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever, and to the ages of ages, Amen. Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us.

Holy is God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us.

Welcome from the Host Bishop

His Excellency, Bishop Kevin Vann
(Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Orange)



The Opening Psalm

(The singing of Psalm 100 will be led by the choir of St. Cecilia's Roman Catholic Church)

Response: All the earth, proclaim the Lord; sing your praise to God!

Serve you the Lord, heart filled with gladness. Come into God's presence singing for joy.

Response: All the earth, proclaim the Lord; sing your praise to God!

Know that the Lord is our Creator. Yes, God is our Father; we are His own.

Response: All the earth, proclaim the Lord; sing your praise to God!

We are the sheep of the green pasture; for we are God's people chosen by God.

Response: All the earth, proclaim the Lord; sing your praise to God!

Come to the gates bringing thanksgiving; O enter the courtyards singing in praise!

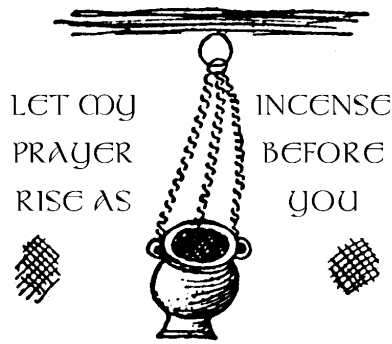
Response: All the earth, proclaim the Lord; sing your praise to God!

Our Lord is good, with love enduring; God's Word is abiding now with us all!

Response: All the earth, proclaim the Lord; sing your praise to God!

Honor and praise be to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, world without end.

Response: All the earth, proclaim the Lord; sing your praise to God!



The Raising and Offering of Incense

(Led by the clergy of the Coptic Orthodox Church)

Priest: Have mercy on us, O God, the Father Almighty! O Holy Trinity, have mercy on us. O Lord, God of all powers, be with us, for we have no supporter in our difficulties and afflictions but You. Make us worthy to pray thankfully “Our Father...”

Congregation: Our Father who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy name; Thy Kingdom Come; Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, through Jesus Christ Our Lord, for Yours is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory, forever and ever, Amen.

Priest: (ESH-LEEL) Let us pray.

Deacon: (E-PI EPROSEVKI ES-TATHEETE) Stand up for prayer.

Priest: (EE-REE-NEE-PASI) Peace be with you all.

People: (KE TO PNEVMATI SOO) And with your spirit.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Gracious and Merciful God, the Father of our Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ, for He has covered us, assisted us, preserved us, accepted us, spared us, supported us and brought us to this hour. Let us ask the Almighty God to keep us in peace this blessed day, and all the days of our life.

Deacon: (EE-EPROSEVKI ES-TATHEETE) Let us pray.

People: (KI-RI-E E-LE-EESON) Lord, have mercy.

Priest: O Lord, Master and Almighty God, the Father of our Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ, we thank You on every occasion, in every condition, and for all things. For You have covered us, assisted us, preserved us, accepted us, spared us, supported us, and brought us till this hour.

Deacon: Let us pray that God may have mercy and compassion upon us, hear us, sustain us and continuously accept the prayers and supplications of His saints on our behalf, and forgive us our sins.

People: (KI-RI-E E-LE-EESON) Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Therefore, we ask and appeal to Your Goodness, O Lover-of-Mankind that You may grant us to conclude this blessed day, and all the days of our life, in peace and in Your fear. All envy, all temptation, all works of Satan, all intrigues of the wicked, uprising of enemies, seen and unseen, do cast away from us, and from all Your people, and from this Holy Place. Grant us Your endowments and benefactions, as You have given us the power to tread underfoot serpents, scorpions and the whole strength of the Enemy. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

THE VERSES OF THE CYMBALS
(Coptic Orthodox Choir)

Lord, have mercy.

We worship the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, equal Holy Trinity.

Hail to the Church, the house of the angels!

Hail to the Virgin who gave birth to our savior!

Hail to you O Mary, the beautiful dove, who gave birth to Emmanuel.

Hail to you, O Mary, a holy saint. Hail to you, O Mary, mother of the Holy One!

Hail to Michael the Archangel. Hail to Gabriel the announcer of the good news!

Hail to the Cherubim, Hail to the Seraphim. And to all the Heavenly powers!

Hail to our masters the Apostles! Hail to the disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Hail to the Evangelist! Hail to the Apostle Mark, the Beholder of God!

Hail to Stephen the first martyr. Hail to the blessed archdeacon!

Hail to you, O martyr! Hail to the brave struggler! Hail to the warrior my lord George the king.

Hail to you, O martyr. Hail to the brave struggler! Hail to the warrior Abba Mina of Bayaad.

Hail to our father Anthony the light of monasticism!

Hail to our father Saint Paul, beloved of Christ!

Through the pleadings of St. Mary the Mother of God, O Lord, grant us the forgiveness of our sins, so that we may praise You, with Your gracious Father, and the Holy Spirit, for You have risen and saved us.

The Great Litany

(Prayed by Father Stephen Washko, pastor of the Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church
with responses sung by the choir of St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church)

Priest: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For the peace of God and the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For peace in the whole world, for the stability of the holy churches of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For all those who fear God, believe in His Son and have received His Spirit: that our divisions may cease and we may praise and glorify His most holy and majestic Name in oneness of mind and heart, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For our bishops, the honorable presbyters, the deacons in the service of Christ and for all Christian leaders, that they may serve the Lord and His churches in the fear of God and with faith, wisdom and love, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For our country, the president, and all those in public service, that they might be strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For this cathedral and city, for every city and country, and for the faithful who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For all those who are persecuted for their faith in Christ in Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, the Sudan, Iran, Iraq, and everywhere in the world, that they may be delivered from violence and strengthened in their witness by the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For travelers by land, sea, and air, for the sick, the suffering and for all those in captivity and bitter slavery for their faith, and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and distress, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Help us, save us, have mercy upon us, and protect us, O God, by Your grace.

Choir: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Remembering our most holy, pure, blessed, and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints, let us commit ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

Choir: To You, O Lord.

Priest: Almighty and eternal God, the King of the ages and Lord of lords, You are beyond comprehension, yet You poured forth Your Holy Spirit into our hearts that we might dare to call upon You as our Father. You ordained that the Paschal mystery of Your Son be brought to completion by the sending of Your Spirit on Pentecost. As You gathered together into one faith those people from many nations and divided by many languages on the day of Pentecost, so we beg You now: in Your mercy, gather the people of Your Church together by the power of Your Holy Spirit, keeping us devoted to serving You and seeking that unity which Your Son commanded His disciples to have.

For You are the one, true and living God and to You do we give glory, together with Your crucified and risen Son our Lord Jesus Christ and Your holy, good and life-creating Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.



A BLESSING

(by Archbishop Honan Derderian of the Armenian Apostolic Church)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God the Father
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all!

- (2 Corinthians 13:13)

A Reading from the Old Testament

(Introduced by Father Ashur Elkhoury
and read by the youth of St. Paul Assyrian Church of the East)

Priest: Let us listen attentively!

Reader: The reading is from the Book of Genesis (11:1-9).

Priest: Wisdom! Let us listen attentively!

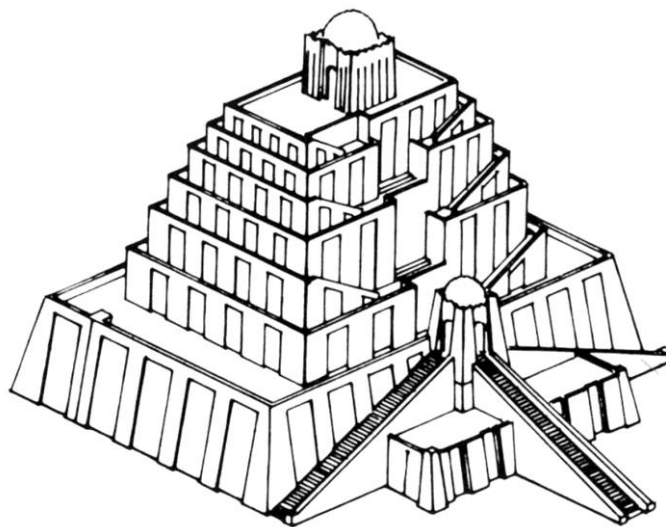
(The Tower of Babel)

Reader: Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. As people moved eastward they found a plain in Shinar and settled there.

They said to each other, “Come, let us make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth.”

But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. The LORD said, “If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.”

So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. That is why it was called Babel—because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.



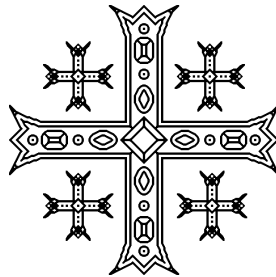


Alma Redemptoris: Sweet Mother of the Redeemer

(Sung by the Scola Cantorum Ensemble of Saint Cecilia Roman Catholic Church)

Sweet Mother of the Redeemer, the passage to heaven, the gate of the spirits of the dead and the star of the sea: save those who are falling but strive to rise again.

To the amazement of nature you gave birth to your Creator and remained a virgin before and after. O you, who received the joyful greeting of Gabriel, have mercy on us sinners.



The First Reading from the New Testament

(Read by the youth of the Coptic Orthodox Church and introduced by Father Joseph Boules, Priest of St. Mary & St. Verena Coptic Orthodox Church)

Priest: Let us listen attentively!

Reader: God has ascended amid shouts of joy; the Lord has ascended amid the sounding of trumpets! (*Psalms 47:5*)

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles (*2:1-21*).

Priest: Let us listen attentively!

(The Holy Spirit comes on Pentecost)

Reader: When the day of Pentecost came, the disciples were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them.

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these men who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own languages!” Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?”

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. This is what was spoken of by the prophet Joel:

“In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”



Responsorial Psalm 145

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(Led by the youth choir of St. John Neumann Roman Catholic Church)

All join in on the sung refrain between verses:

Psalm 145: 1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14

Choir & People: I will praise your Name forever, my King and my God.

Verse: I will extol You, O my God and King and I will bless Your Name forever and ever. Every day will I bless You and I will praise Your Name forever and ever.

Choir & People: I will praise your Name forever, my King and my God.

Verse: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness.
The Lord is good to all and compassionate toward all His works.

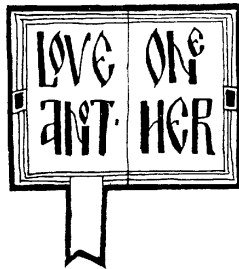
Choir & People: I will praise your Name forever, my King and my God.

Verse: Let all Your works give You thanks, O Lord, and let Your faithful ones bless You.
Let them discourse of the glory of Your Kingdom and speak of Your might.

Choir & People: I will praise your Name forever, my King and my God.

Verse: The Lord is faithful in all His words and holy in all His works.
The Lord lifts up all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

Choir & People: I will praise your Name forever, my King and my God.



The Gospel Reading

(Responses sung by the choir of St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church)

Priest: Wisdom! Let us stand! Let us hear the holy Gospel. Peace be with you all!

Choir: And with your spirit.

Priest: The reading is from the holy Gospel according to St. John (17:1-21). Let us listen attentively!

Choir: Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You!

(Read by Archbishop Hovnan Derderian of the Armenian Apostolic Church)

Jesus Prays to Be Glorified

After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:

“Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus

Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.

Jesus Prays for His Disciples

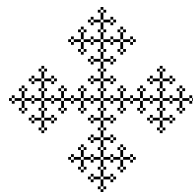
“I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.

“I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

Jesus Prays for All Believers

“My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

Choir: Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You!



The Homily

by His Excellency, Kevin Vann, Bishop of Orange



AVE MARIA

Music by Filipino composer Dr. Francisco Santiago; Arranged by Prof. Eduardo Parungao

(Sung by the Filipino Chorale of St. Nicholas Roman Catholic Church)

Hail Mary, full of grace!
The Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women,
And blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now and in the hour of our death. Amen.



A Hymn of Praise to the Holy Spirit

(Sung by the choir of Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church)

O Holy Spirit, mighty defender of all who love You, comfort You give.
Everywhere present, fountain of virtues, without Your kindness no one could live.

O Holy Spirit, treasury of blessings, come as was promised, life-giving Flame.
Come dwell within us, enliven our hearts; strengthen our purpose to praise Your Name.

The Litany of the Saints

(Led by Ms. Connie Salazar of St. John Neumann Roman Catholic Church)

Chantor: *Kyrie eleison Christe eleison Kyrie eleison*

Most holy Virgin Mary, Queen of Angels...

Congregation: Pray for us.

Archangel Michael.....Pray for us.

St. Peter the Apostle.....Pray for us.

St. Paul the Apostle.....Pray for us.

St. Luke the Evangelist.....Pray for us.

St. Mark the Evangelist.....Pray for us.

St. Ignatius of Antioch.....Pray for us.

St. Justin the Martyr.....Pray for us.

St. Cecilia the Martyr.....Pray for us.

St. Marina the Martyr.....Pray for us.

St. Anthony of Egypt.....Pray for us.

St. Mary of Egypt.....Pray for us.

St. Gregory the Illuminator.....Pray for us.

St. Verena of Egypt.....Pray for us.

Holy Forty Martyrs of Sevastea....Pray for us.

St. Nicholas of Myra.....Pray for us.

St. Athanasius the Great.....Pray for us

St. Basil the Great.....Pray for us

St. Gregory the Theologian..... Pray for us

St. John Chrysostom.....Pray for us.

St. Cyril of Alexandria.....Pray for us.

St. Isaac of Ninevah.....Pray for us.

St. Ephrem the Great of Syria.....Pray for us.

St. Katherine the Martyr.....Pray for us

St. Ambrose of Milan.....Pray for us

St. Augustine of Hippo.....Pray for us

St. Patrick of Ireland.....Pray for us.

St. Cyril and Methodius.....Pray for us

St. John Neumann.....Pray for us.

(And to those who have recently been martyred in Egypt, Syria, Iran and Iraq)

Holy martyrs of Egypt.....Pray for us.

Holy martyrs of Lebanon.....Pray for us.

Holy martyrs of Syria.....Pray for us.

Holy martyrs of Iraq.....Pray for us.

Holy martyrs of Iran.....Pray for us.

Holy martyrs of Nigeria.....Pray for us.

All the saints of God.....Pray for us.



Holy Spirit

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(Led by the Youth Choir of St. John Neumann Roman Catholic Church)

Refrain: Holy Spirit, come into our lives! Holy Spirit, make us truly wise!

Give us a spirit of wisdom, an understanding heart.
Give us a spirit of knowledge and lead us to the truth.

Refrain: Holy Spirit, come into our lives! Holy Spirit, make us truly wise!

Spirit of love and compassion: give hope to all the poor.
Spirit of justice and mercy: come open every door.

Refrain: Holy Spirit, come into our lives! Holy Spirit, make us truly wise!

Spirit of light and of wisdom, O lift us from our sorrow.
Spirit of peace and forgiveness, O help us face tomorrow.

Refrain: Holy Spirit, come into our lives! Holy Spirit, make us truly wise

O Lord on High

Music by W.A. Mozart, text by Virginia P. Marwick

(Led by the Youth Choir of Blessed Sacrament Parish School)

O Lord on high, we pray Thee guide us,
And keep our souls in Thine own care;
When dark our way, with light provide us,
Teach us Thy righteousness to share,
Teach us Thy righteousness to share.

Lead Thou us on through dangers lowering,
Be Thou our shield in fears overpowering;
Oh, let Thy mercy ever be our guard,
Over our life keep watch and ward,
Over our life keep watch and ward.



Send us Your Spirit

Music by Dan Schutte, text inspired by "Veni, Sancti Spiritus"

(Led by the Youth Choir of Blessed Sacrament Parish School)

Send us Your Spirit, O Lord.
Evening enfolds us and holds us too near.
Wake the morning light. Make our living bright.
Shine on our darkness, O Lord.

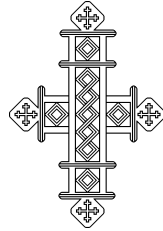
Hold us with mercy, O Lord.
Sorrow has spoken, has broken our hearts.
Clothe us in Your care. Be the life we bear.
Feed us and fill us, O Lord.

Teach us Your wisdom, O Lord.
Shadows have clouded, have crowded our sight.
Give us hearts that see. Set our loving free.
Hear us and help us, O Lord.

Send us good summer, O Lord.
Winters have chilled us, and stilled us too long.
Give us love's own fire. Be our true desire.
Send us your Spirit, O Lord.

A Hymn by St. Paul's Assyrian Church of the East

While the above hymn is being sung the youth of our communities will assume their places and prepare to lead the congregation in the renewal of their baptismal vows.



The Renewal of our Baptismal Vows (Led by the youth of our communities)

Youth: Do you renounce sin so as to live in the freedom of the children of God?

Congregation: I do.

Youth: Do you renounce the lure of evil so that sin may have no mastery over you?

Congregation: I do.

Youth: Do you renounce Satan, the author of sin and prince of darkness?

Congregation: I do.

Youth: Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth?

Congregation: I do.

Youth: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only-begotten Son, our Lord, who was incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of the ever-Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, who rose from the dead, ascended into heaven and is now seated at the right hand of the Father?

Congregation: I do.

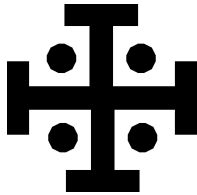
Youth: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?

Congregation: I do.

(Blessing given by Tod Brown, retired bishop of Orange)

Priest: And may Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by His grace in Christ Jesus our Lord for eternal life.

And the congregation responds: Amen!



One Faith, One Hope, One Lord

By Craig Courtney

(Sung by St. Cecilia Chorale and Scola Cantorum)

One faith, one hope, one Lord,
One church for which he died,
One voice, one song we lift in praise
To Him who was and is and shall be evermore.

There is one body, one spirit,
As you were called to one hope.
One Lord, baptism and faith,
One God and Father of all,
One God and Father of all, who is in you all.

One faith, one hope, one Lord,
One church for which he died,
One voice, one song we lift in praise
To Him who was and is and shall be evermore.

Though we be many people,
Diverse with various gifts,
We are given to each other for the unity of faith,
That we grow in the knowledge of the Son of God,
In the fullness of Christ.

One faith, one hope, one Lord,
One church for which he died,
One voice, one song we lift in praise
To Him who was and is and shall be evermore.

Announcement concerning the reception
after the service by Father Al Baca
The Recessional Hymn
(Sung by all the choirs and the congregation)

The cantor sings the refrain which is repeated by the congregation as a whole.

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia! Come Holy Spirit and from above send us Your love!

Verse (in Greek): Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us!

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia! Come Holy Spirit and from above send us Your love!

Verse (in Latin): Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us!

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia! Come Holy Spirit and from above send us Your love!

Verse (in Slavonic): Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us!

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia! Come Holy Spirit and from above send us Your love!

Verse (in Coptic/Greek): Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us!

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia! Come Holy Spirit and from above send us Your love!

Verse (in Aramaic): Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us!

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia! Come Holy Spirit and from above send us Your love!

Verse (in English): Spirit of Love, Spirit of Truth, God of love and compassion: bring us
new life, ending all strife, sharing Your word; hear us we pray.

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia! Come Holy Spirit and from above send us Your love! (2X)



The clergy lead the procession out of the Arboretum and to the Cathedral Center.

**Please join us for refreshments and fellowship in
the Cathedral Center following the service!**



Pope Francis meeting
with Patriarch John X of Antioch



Pope Francis meeting with Pope Tawadros II



Pope Francis meeting with Patriarch Mar Dinkha IV



Pope Francis meeting
with Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew



Pope Francis meeting
with Catholicos Karenin II