

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE FAMILY.



SOME QUESTIONS TO ASK OURSELVES ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Is our family spirit a good spirit? Is the Holy Spirit a family spirit?
- Who is Holy Spirit to me and what this Spirit mean to me in my life?

SOME ACTIVITIES FAMILIES CAN DO TO CELEBRATE PENTECOST AND THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Spend some time together to reflect, discuss and share what gifts and fruits you see in each other.
- Let each choose the gifts and fruits they believe they need for their own lives and pray together that the Holy Spirit will bless each member with what they have asked.
- As an activity - possibly with smaller children - talk about the meaning of the different gifts and fruits, make a poster of the picture and colour it in.
- Have the individual gifts and fruits written on separate cards let each member choose what they believe they need most, or give them out at random.

FAMILY PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT (each member could be mentioned by name)

Creator God, renew your Spirit living in each of us.

Grant us (or name.....) the gifts and fruits we need to build up ourselves, our own family, the family of the Church, the world and the whole family of creation.

We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

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Pope Francis talks about the family circle. In it we should be open to life and to one another. We should also be willing to go out and spread life by caring for others and their happiness. We are called to care for all of creation. That is how we practise hospitality.

