



# GLEANINGS

*Renewing the face of the earth* † *Empowered by the Holy Spirit*

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*“There is an invisible sending of the Spirit every time any progress in virtue or increase in grace takes place...when someone enters upon a new activity or into a new state of grace: for example, when a person receives the grace to work miracles, or the gift of prophecy, or when spurred by the fervour of love a person risks martyrdom or gives up possessions or undertakes some difficult or exacting task.”*

~Thomas Aquinas, Summa Theologica, as quoted by Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa in Come, Creator Spirit, p 54

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## Praying for Pentecost

by Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa, OFM Cap

What does Mary teach us by her presence in the cenacle at the moment of Pentecost and, after Pentecost, by her prayerful presence in the Christian community? The first point is that before undertaking anything at all and setting out into the world, the Church needs to receive the Holy Spirit; the second point is that prayer, above all, is the way to prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit; the third is that this prayer must be of one accord and persevering.

First, the Church has need of the Holy Spirit. When the apostles asked Jesus if the time had come to restore the kingdom, Jesus answered, “You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses” (Acts 1:6-8). Jesus was advising them not to leave Jerusalem but to wait until the promise was fulfilled and they were “baptized in the Holy Spirit” (Acts 1:4-5). “Stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high” (Luke 24:49).

With these words Jesus explained the kingdom and how it would come. They would receive the Holy Spirit; with this Spirit they would become witnesses of Jesus, they would announce his Gospel, people would be converted, and this would be the kingdom that was to come. And this is precisely what happened. The disciples waited; the Holy Spirit came; they were clothed with power from on high; they began to preach to the crowds with courage; three thousand people felt their hearts being touched, and the first Christian community was born.

This holds for us today, too. No one can go out preaching without having first been in the cenacle to be clothed with power from on high. All the work of the Church either gets its power and meaning from the Holy Spirit or it lacks power and Christian meaning.

The second point is that prayer opens the way to the gift of the Holy Spirit. How did the disciples prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit? Was it by prayer or by discussing the nature of the Holy Spirit? The coming of the Holy Spirit was clearly connected with fervent prayer.

We have a repetition of what happened at the baptism of Jesus: “When Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened and

**A PROMISE  
FULFILLED**

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# From Virginia's Desk

First, I want to thank **Fr. Jim Northrop** for the great article he wrote for this space last month! We

*Thank You!*

are so blessed to have Fr. Jim as Spiritual Director for WWCCR. His heart of love for the Lord, and his fearless commitment to spread the message of baptism in the Holy Spirit are an inspiration to all of us. You may have noticed that Fr. Jim is on our list for intercession (p. 6) on the 4<sup>th</sup> of every month. We owe him prayer support for the ministry he does, in addition to our gratitude. I urge you all to take this task of interceding for Fr. Jim, and for all our priests very seriously.

Next, I want to thank **Kate Grosvenor** and her amazing team of Auction Volunteers for the wonderfully successful "Spark of the Spirit" Auction we had on May 14. Because of printing deadlines, we will delay giving a full report until the July issue. *Something to look forward to!*



Last, but not least, is a final exhortation to jump into preparing for Pentecost with both feet, if you haven't already done so. Pentecost falls on June 12 this year, which is very late. But that means we have extra time to prepare this year – let's take advantage of this time!



In 1895, through the prompting of Blessed Elena Guerra, Pope Leo XIII asked that, every year from that point forward, the Catholic faithful would celebrate a solemn novena (9 days of prayer) between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost. The primary intention that Pope Leo XIII asked us to pray for was the unity of all Christians.

This Pentecost Novena is a devotion that we try to promote in Charismatic Renewal. We encourage individuals, prayer groups, parishes and communities to devote themselves to prayer, together with the Blessed Mother, during the 9 days before Pentecost, just as the early Christians did, as described in Acts 1:13-14.

The International Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services (ICCRS) establishes annual intentions that we are encouraged to include in our intercessions. (*See Pentecost of the Nations 2011 under Recent Events and News at [www.iccrs.org](http://www.iccrs.org)*) For 2011 the special intentions are:

1. For a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit
2. For the Church and Pope Benedict XVI to proclaim the Good News in the power of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:11)
3. For the World, that all people would come to believe in Christ, through the witness of Christian unity (John 17:21)

On the last day of the novena, June 11, we invite you to join with hundreds of others at the Pentecost Celebration that WWCCR is sponsoring. (see p. 8 & 4) This afternoon and evening of prayer, teaching, inspiration and empowerment will bring us together in a united witness and proclamation of the Lordship of Jesus, and an invitation to "be clothed with power" - the power of the Holy Spirit, Who renews the face of the earth! ♦

## WWCCR VISION AND MISSION

### Vision:

*That all Catholics mature in a personal relationship with Jesus, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to the glory of God the Father.*

### Mission:

*Our mission is to renew the face of the earth by nurturing and inspiring Catholics:*

- ❖ *To experience a personal relationship with Jesus Christ through baptism in the Holy Spirit*
- ❖ *To fan into flame the gifts we receive through the Sacraments*
- ❖ *To develop a deeper life of prayer and worship*

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**Pentecost** *continued*

the Holy Spirit descended upon him” (Luke 3:21-22). It was the prayer of Jesus that rent the heaven and brought down the Holy Spirit upon him. The same thing happens for the Church: While she was praying, “a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind ... and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit” (Acts 2:2-4).

The constancy with which the coming of the Holy Spirit is related to prayer in Acts is really striking. The determining role of baptism is clearly mentioned (see Acts 2:38), but the role of prayer is even more emphasized. (See also Acts 4:31; 8:15; 9:9-11.)

Jesus himself bound the gift of the Spirit to prayer when he said, “If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!” (Luke 11:13). Not only did he bind it to *our* prayer, but also to *his own*, saying, “I will pray the Father, and he will give you another Counselor” (John 14:16). The prayer of the apostles gathered in the cenacle with Mary is the first great *epiclesis*, the beginning of the “Come, Holy Spirit,” which echoes in the Church for all time.

There isn’t just one Pentecost. At the beginning Mary and the Apostles devoted themselves to prayer and the Holy Spirit came. At this point we might think that the Church had all it needed to continue alone until the parousia. Instead, shortly after when faced with a grave difficulty, the



Church had to pray again and obtain a new releasing of the Holy Spirit to be able to go on preaching the word

of God with boldness (Acts 4:23-31). The Church left the cenacle but had to go back there periodically to be repeatedly “clothed with power from on high.”

This must not remain historical and general knowledge. It must speak to us personally. Do you want

**“...pray and pray and pray again!  
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Veni Sancte Spiritus,  
Come Holy Spirit,  
die on your lips!”**

to receive the Holy Spirit? Do you also feel weak and wish to be clothed with power from on high? Do you feel lukewarm and wish to be warmed? Discontented with your past life and wish to be renewed? Then you must pray and pray and pray again! Do not let the gentle cry *Veni Sancte Spiritus*, Come Holy Spirit, die on your lips! “Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me, melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.” If a person or a group of persons kneel to pray with faith, resolved not to get up from their knees until they have been clothed with power from on high and baptized in the Spirit, that person or group will not stand up without having received what they were asking and much more.

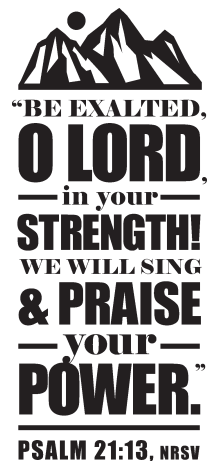
We now come to the third point. How must we pray in order to obtain the Holy Spirit? How did Mary and the apostles pray? It was “persevering and with one accord.” “In accord” literally means “done with one heart” and “with one soul.” The Holy Spirit is communion; he is the very bond of unity both in the Trinity and in the Church. We see the definite importance of unity,

concord and reconciliation among those who desire and are preparing to receive the Holy Spirit.

Mary’s and the Apostles’ prayer was persevering prayer. To pray perseveringly doesn’t mean using many words, heaping up empty phrases like the Gentiles did. It means asking often, never ceasing to ask, never ceasing to hope, never giving up.

God has promised to give those that pray good things—the Holy Spirit. He has promised to grant us anything we ask “according to his will.” He doesn’t give us what is not according to his will or what would be harmful to us. God hears even when he doesn’t *seem* to hear. His delay in granting even what is good is, in itself, hearing and granting. In fact, by making us wait he makes our faith increase and helps us to ask for something better.

After the Apostles, Mary, and the others had received the Holy Spirit, Acts tells us they “devoted themselves to the prayers” (Acts 2:42). However, something had changed. The object and quality of the prayer had changed. Now they did nothing else but tell “the mighty works of God” (Acts 2:11). Their prayer had become a prayer of praise. It was no longer just petition. What had first come about in Mary was now coming about in the Church. When Mary had received the Holy Spirit at the Annunciation, she started to magnify the Lord and rejoice in God and proclaim the great things he had done for her. The



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**Pentecost** *continued*

coming of the Holy Spirit doesn't put an end to ceaseless prayer. It actually enriches it and widens its horizons. It raises prayer to the highest and most God-worthy form of praise—adoration, the proclaiming of God's greatness and holiness.

The New Testament doesn't talk of perseverance only when we are asking for something but also, and even more so, when we are praising, thanking and blessing God. How many times must we pray? Always! To ask how many times a day must we pray to God would be like asking how many times a day must we love God. Prayer, like love, doesn't tolerate calculation in numbers.

Beneath the cross Mary appeared as the mother of the Church; now in the cenacle, she appears as the godmother of the Church—assisting the Church at its baptism by the Spirit. Let us ask Mary to be our strong and loving godmother to prepare us for the releasing of the Spirit and for Pentecost. Would that, through her intercession the promise of Jesus would be ours, too: "Before many days you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit" (Acts 1:5). ♦

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*This book can be ordered from WWCCR.. This is a reprint from the May 2000 issue of GLEANINGS.*

**Rejoice always.  
Pray without ceasing.**  
1 Thessalonians 5:16-17

**Clothed** *continued from page 8*

scriptures that confirmed this, such as 1 Corinthians 4:20: "For the kingdom of God is not a matter of talk but of power." We are clothed with power for a purpose. The purpose of the power of the Holy Spirit is both for us (for our healing and growth in holiness) and for our mission, which is evident in charisms of service to others. How will our Lord clothe us this day? *Come, and find out!*

In our theme article Fr. Cantalamessa says "If a person or a group of persons kneel to pray with faith, resolved not to get up from their knees until they have been clothed with power from on high and baptized in the Spirit, that person or group will not stand up without having received what they were asking and much more." We must come with an expectation. Our God wants to equip us for mission and we must prepare our hearts and minds to answer the call! *Come, receive the promise!*



**So, pray the Pentecost Novena beginning June 3rd and join us on Saturday, June 11th to pray, to praise, to listen and to answer our Lord's invitation to "be clothed with power from on high!"**

## ***2011 Pentecost Celebration Day***

**Saturday, June 11, 2011**

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Tom Curran**

**St. Michael Church,**

**1512 Pine Ave, Snohomish WA**

*More information is available at [www.wwccr.org](http://www.wwccr.org)*

### **Tentative Schedule**

- 9:00 AM Parish Daily Mass
- 10:00 AM **Registration and Fellowship \***
- 12:30 PM **OPENING SESSION**
- 2:15 PM **Break**
- 2:45 PM **SESSION 2**
- 4:30 PM **Dinner**
- 6:30 PM **CLOSING SESSION WITH EMPOWERMENT**

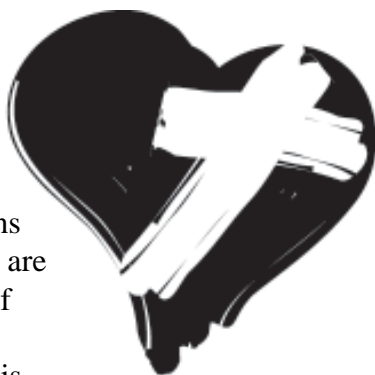
*\*Come early for coffee and fellowship. Plan to eat lunch off site prior to the opening session at 12:30pm.*

# Financial Update

June 2011

## God is good – all the time!

The Lord continues to sustain WWCCR financially through the sacrificial giving of so many of you. Thank you for your donations and your prayers. In addition, we are sustained by the volunteer labor of dozens of faithful servants.



The majority of the work that is accomplished through WWCCR is done by volunteers. If we put a dollar amount on that work, even at minimum wage rates, it might double the amount of our monthly expenses. So, all of us need to be extremely grateful for the tremendous gift of time, talent and energy that we receive from our volunteers.

Below is a combined report for February and March. You can see that we continue to have expenses greater than income. Because of the Auction that happened on May 14, we hope that the April & May reports will have a positive balance. Still, in these difficult economic times, those who are able to give more need to help make up for those who cannot. Please use the yellow envelope each month to send what you can. Thank you!

*“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Cor 9:7*

	<b>Feb/Mar Comb.</b>	<b>YTD</b>
Cash balance at the end of previous month	\$20,576.24	
Income all sources	\$55,853.29	\$70,519.20
Expenses	-\$64,677.82	-\$84,395.04
<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>\$654.10</u>	<u>\$267.79</u>
<b>net income/shortfall</b>	<b>-\$8,170.43</b>	<b>-\$13,608.05</b>



**Our Eucharistic Chapel**  
is available for private prayer any time that our office is open, 9:30AM until 4:00PM, Monday through Friday.

### OFFICE MASS SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, June 8, 7pm - Fr. Tony Bawyn

**Holy Hour:** We would love to have you join us every Friday from 2:30-3:30 pm as we pray for charismatic renewal, the work of WWCCR and your own special intentions.

## Intercessory Prayer Network (IPN)

*The Intercessory Prayer Network (IPN) is comprised of all who have offered to pray regularly for God's will to be accomplished through the people and programs of WWCCR. We know that prayer changes things!*

Please pray for God to bring about His desires through the work of preparation and the events you see in this newsletter and calendar; particularly the events WWCCR is sponsoring, and also ...

for those attending the Holy Spirit seminars to continue their search for all that God has for them, and that they may find spiritual enrichment by participating in prayer group meetings and activities.

that, as we strive to live life in the Spirit, our words and actions will convey the living love of God to each person we encounter.

for the healing prayer ministry and Healing Masses sponsored by WWCCR to bring the healing of Jesus to hurting people and a wounded world.

for these prayer groups:

- 05/29-06/04 St Michael Prayer Group, Olympia
- 06/05-06/11 Hosanna Prayer Group, Port Angeles
- 06/12-06/18 St Anthony Friday Night Prayer Group, Renton
- 06/19-06/25 Es Cristo Quien Te Llama Grupo de Oración (*en Español*), Renton
- 06/26-07/02 St Stephen the Martyr Prayer Group, Renton

**Next IPN events:**  
**Sunday, June 5, 2011**  
**Sunday, July 3, 2011**  
**2:00 – 4:00 pm**

IPN gatherings are usually on the 1st Sunday of the month at the WWCCR office, unless otherwise noted.

Cut this prayer list out and put it in your bible or prayer book to keep these prayer intentions close at hand.

*Let us pray that these men, "would give themselves to Jesus in order to enter the immensity of His great Heart and lose themselves in this abyss of love, charity, mercy, humility, purity, patience, submission and holiness."*

**Please pray for these priests, deacons and seminarians this month:**

- June 1 Archbishop J. Peter Sartain
- June 2 Bishop Eusebio Elizondo, MSpS
- June 3 Bishop Joseph Tyson
- June 4 Fr. Jim Northrop
- June 5 Fr. Armando V. Red  
Andrew Regalado (seminarian)
- June 6 Fr. John J. Renggli  
Dcn. Rob Rensel
- June 7 Fr. George O. Rink  
Dcn. John Ricciardi
- June 8 Fr. Patrick J. Ritter  
Dcn. Michael Riggio
- June 9 Fr. Dennis E. Robb  
Dcn. Ted Rodriguez
- June 10 Fr. David A. Rogerson
- June 11 Fr. Stephen T. Roman  
Dcn. Jack Roscoe  
Cody Ross (seminarian)
- June 12 Fr. Stephen C. Rowan  
Dcn. Bob Rupno
- June 13 Fr. Michael J. Ryan
- June 14 Fr. Michael G. Ryan
- June 15 Fr. Carmine Sacco, SJ
- June 16 Fr. Gerard Saguto, FSSP
- June 17 Fr. Steven Sallis
- June 18 Fr. Raphael Mary Salzillo, OP  
Dcn. Mike Samuel
- June 19 Fr. Edgar Sanchez, MSpS  
Dcn. Ron San Nicolas
- June 20 Fr. Ramon Santa Cruz  
Dcn. Richard Sarver
- June 21 Fr. Timothy J. Sauer
- June 22 Fr. Milhton H. Scarpetta
- June 23 Fr. Charles E. Schmitz
- June 24 Fr. Frank R. Schuster  
Dcn. Walter Shields
- June 25 Fr. Dennis C. Sevilla  
Dcn. Joe Shriver
- June 26 Fr. Jack D. Shrum
- June 27 Fr. Gorgonio Silagan, Jr.
- June 28 Fr. William M. Slate  
Dcn. Carl Smith
- June 29 Fr. Roger J. Smith  
Dcn. Lloyd Snider
- June 30 Pope Benedict XVI

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**WWCCR Healthcare and Allied Professionals Retreat**

**September 9-11, 2011**

*at the Palisades Retreat*

Retreat Speaker: Rich Maffeo RN, MSN

Registration forms are NOW available on our website or by calling the WWCCR office.



**NATIONAL LEADERS' & MINISTRIES' CONFERENCE 2011**

*Not Just for Leaders!*

**November 4-6,  
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***You are invited***  
*if serving in your prayer group,  
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Ralph Martin,  
Charles Whitehead,  
Tammy Evevard  
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**Speakers include:**

Michelle Moran  
Jim Murphy  
Charles Whitehead  
Dr. Mary Healy  
Oreste Pesare  
And others

*"There is an urgent need to proclaim with strength as well as to have a solid and deep Christian formation. How much need there is today for mature Christian leaders, who are aware of their own vocation and mission in the Church and in the world!" ~ Bl. John Paul II*

Students will be offered practical teaching and workshops on various aspects of the ministry within CCR. In addition, the students will go on several field trips in the eternal city of Rome.

***For more information and to register visit [www.iccrs.org](http://www.iccrs.org)***

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 	3 HOLY HOUR @ WWCCR, 2:30PM  <i>Pentecost Novena begins</i>	4  PLEASE PRAY FOR: HISPANIC INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY
5  INTERCESSORY PRAYER GATHERING (IPN) @ WWCCR, 2-4 PM	6 ✠ Come Holy Spirit, Sumner <i>see below</i>  LA ESCUELA	7 ✠ Come Holy Spirit, Tacoma <i>see below</i>	8  OFFICE MASS @ WWCCR, 7 PM <i>see pg 5</i>	9	10 HOLY HOUR @ WWCCR, 2:30PM  ✠ Catholic Renewal Ministry Conference in Spokane <i>see below</i>	11  PENTECOST CELEBRATION
12  	13 ✠ Come Holy Spirit, Sumner <i>see below</i>  PLEASE PRAY FOR: HISPANIC/LATINO PRAYER GROUP INITIATIVES	14 	15	16  PLEASE PRAY FOR: WWCCR BOARD OF DIRECTORS & STAFF	17 HOLY HOUR @ WWCCR, 2:30PM  HEALING MASS BOTHELL, 7 PM <i>see below</i>	18  SHP II - 3
19  	20 ✠ Come Holy Spirit, Sumner <i>see below</i>  PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS THIS WEEK DURING PRIEST DAYS  HORA SANTA	21	22	23	24 HOLY HOUR @ WWCCR, 2:30PM	25
26	27 ✠ Come Holy Spirit, Sumner <i>see below</i>  GLEANINGS WORKERS NEEDED	28	29  PLEASE PRAY FOR: WWCCR OUTREACH TO YOUTH, YOUNG ADULTS & FAMILIES	30  		

WWCCR events are CAPITALIZED,  
Prayer Group and other events are marked with a ✠

Check our website for updates on events not available at time of print.

## Healing Masses

WWCCR sponsors Healing Masses in various locations in the archdiocese of Seattle. At these Masses we are focusing our attention on the healing power of God truly present at every celebration of the Eucharist.

**Friday, June 17, 7:00 PM**

Presider: Fr. Jim Northrop

St. Brendan Church

10100 NE 192nd St, Bothell, WA

✠ **Catholic Renewal Ministry**  
**Annual Conference**  
*(formerly IECCR, Spokane)*  
**"Come. Take My Hand."**  
*Isaiah 41:13*

**June 10-11, 2011**

**Presenter: Fr. Eamon Miley**

Gonzaga Preparatory School,  
1224 E Euclid, Spokane, WA.

REGISTRATION IS FREE -

there will be a free-will offering taken.

Contact: Mark Lamb 509-927-8587 or visit

[www.CatholicRenewalMinistry.org](http://www.CatholicRenewalMinistry.org)

for more information

**Continue to pray for these Holy Spirit  
Seminars currently in progress:**

**TACOMA:**

**Tuesdays, April 26-June 7, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

at the St Aloysius Chapel, Bellarmine Prep

2300 S Washington Street, Tacoma

**SUMNER:**

**Mondays, May 16-June 27, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

at St Andrew Church, 1401 Valley Ave E, Sumner

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## **An Invitation to “Be Clothed with Power”**

by Tammie Stevens

How exciting it must have been! Jesus was raised from the dead, just as He promised. And now He was making another promise to His apostles, the promise of the Holy Spirit.

The promise of Luke 24:49 are Jesus’ last words before He ascended to heaven to return to His father. The apostles heeded His words, prayed and were not disappointed. These words are His promise to us today! *Come and See!*

Beginning last year, the 2011 Pentecost Celebration planning committee came together to pray and discern the details for this event. During the prayer time at one of the first meetings, after singing the song “Clothe us with Your Power,” we had a sense that God indeed wanted to clothe us. There was an image of a mantle that came and covered each of us, each cloth was different according to each person’s need but all were infused with the Holy Spirit’s anointing, mercy and grace. Our Lord knew exactly what we needed. This theme of being empowered and clothed became a thread that continued through all the rest of our planning meetings. There were a number of

***“I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”***

Luke 24:49

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