

Parish Meeting Prayers

For use in June, 2019

Introduction

Leader We live in the age of the Spirit, sent to us by God. In human form, Jesus is with us forever through his Spirit. The Spirit of God guides us to truth. Knowing the truth is ours for the asking.

Opening Prayer

All God of ultimate truth, inspire us to openness to the truth through your Spirit. You have gifted us with your Spirit. Confirm our faith in believing we have access to the truth. We pray in the power of that same Spirit. Amen

Word of God John 16:12-15

Reader A reading from the Gospel of John (Pause for silent reflection)

Optional: Discuss these questions in two's or three's. *The reading is on the reverse side.*

1. When you hear or read contradictions, how do you resolve them?
2. When confused, discuss how the Holy Spirit can guide us in the decisions we make, especially in serious matters.

Response (taken from John 16:12-15)

Side 1 "I have much to tell you, but you cannot bear it now."

Side 2 Speak to us, Lord, in the people and events of each day. Guide us to your truth.

Side 1 "The Spirit of Truth will guide you to all truth."

Side 2 With truth given less importance today, guide us to your own truth as we stay close to your word.

Side 1 "Everything that the Father has is mine."

Side 2 The mystery of the Trinity of God calls us to aim towards the greatest gift - oneness - unity in love.

Petitions Individuals add intentions to remember here.

Closing Prayer (Romans 5:6)

All "The love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us."

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John 16:12-15

Jesus said to his disciples:

“I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now.

But when he comes, the Spirit of truth,
he will guide you to all truth.

He will not speak on his own,

but will speak what he hears,

and will declare to you the things that are coming.

He will glorify me,

because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you.

Everything that the Father has is mine;

for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine
and declare it to you.”