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Dear (Personalized Name):

"And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting."

Acts 2:2

We all recently experienced our Lenten journey of sacrifice and we are completing our Easter season of joy.

We are now approaching Pentecost; The Descent of the Holy Spirit. Pentecost is the true beginning of our Catholic Church. Before the Ascension, Jesus told the Apostles and other Disciples what they needed to do. However, they really didn't fully understand it or have what they needed to fulfill what Jesus had told them. On Pentecost, they received exactly what Jesus knew they needed, the Holy Spirit; the Paraclete, their Advocate, to be with them and give them the courage to boldly proclaim Jesus to the world.

Peter, our first Pope, then gave the first recorded "homily" in Acts Chapter 2. What happened? "So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls." (Acts 2:41) This was not just the first, but maybe one of the best homilies ever. Three thousand baptisms from a single homily!

Just as at Pentecost, the Holy Spirit is reaching out and speaking to each one of us. We only need to be quiet and listen for the "still small voice" who will lead us, guide us, tell us what we need to do, and then give us the strength and perseverance to do it. May the Holy Spirit be our guide and our strength as we all continue our faith journeys here on Earth. May He be our constant companion and source of strength through our challenges and trials to keep us on the path to Eternal Salvation with His Father in Heaven.

Yours in Christ Our Lord,

The Editor

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