Grade 4, Chapter 9 – Pentecost and the Holy Spirit

Bible story connections:

- Matthew 3:11
- Mark 13:9-11
- John 14:15-17

Social Justice tie-in:

• Evangelization challenge – share something with someone (not your parents) that you have recently learned about God. Pray to the Holy Spirit first, asking for help to share your faith well.

Discussion Questions:

- Why is it so important that the Holy Spirit has remained with the Church since Pentecost?
- How can we be prepared for Jesus's return?

Memory Work (Baltimore Catechism):

105. Who is the Holy Spirit?

The Holy Spirit is God and the third Person of the Blessed Trinity.

108. What does the Holy Spirit do for the salvation of mankind?

The Holy Spirit dwells in the Church as the source of its life and sanctifies souls through the gift of grace.

139. How is the Church enabled to lead men to salvation?

The Church is enabled to lead men to salvation by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, Who gives it life.

Catholic Brain Connections:

Printables

Pentecost coloring page

Holy Spirit color by number

Holy Spirit word search

Pentecost crossword

Prayers

Come Holy Spirit

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

St. Augustine's prayer to the Holy Spirit

Videos

Adventure Catechism – What is the Holy Spirit?

Descent of the Holy Spirit

 $\underline{Bible\ Story-Pentecost}$

Family Page: Ch. 9 – Pentecost and the Holy Spirit

Review:

Vocabulary

- Ascension Jesus's return to Heaven 40 days after He rose from the dead
- Pentecost Fifty days after Easter, when the apostles received the Holy Spirit
- 1) How many days after His Resurrection did Jesus ascend to Heaven? 40 days
- 2) What did the apostles receive on Pentecost? *The Holy Spirit*
- 3) How long will the Holy Spirit remain with the Church? *Until the end of time*

Discussion Question:

Why do we often consider Pentecost to be the birthday of the Catholic Church?

Activity: Family Prayer Time:

Pray a novena to the Holy Spirit. As a family, pray to the Holy Spirit for nine days, asking for an increase in His gifts. You can use any Catholic prayer to the Spirit, including the "Come Holy Spirit" prayer likely learned at school.

God thinks You are worth Dying for!