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3 For week starting January 20, 2008

Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

V. Send forth Thy Spirit and they shall be created.

R. And Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

O God, Who didst instruct the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise, and ever to rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Know the Pope

The Pope's father, Josef Ratzinger, was a police officer who held strong anti-Nazi views which created problems for his family, forcing them to move regularly. He was also a devout Roman Catholic. His father retired in 1937 at the age of sixty, and both he and his wife Maria survived the world war II.

In which chapter is today's Via?

- ▶ 1. Spirit of Truth
- 2. Spirit of Fortitude
- 3. Spirit of Love
- 4. Spirit of Witness

Trailblazers' preparation for World Youth Day 2008
"Let those prepare their hearts who fear the Lord" (Sir 2:17)

Scripture

Jesus said, "When he comes, the Spirit of truth will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he 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." (Jn 16:13-14)

Reflection

The Holy Spirit is one, obviously; and he doesn't contradict himself. He can fill the simplest persons with wisdom which the educated do not know; yet he will always do so in such a way that they do not contradict the teachings of the Catholic Church, which are Jesus' teachings.

Pope Quote

"Even the Apostles' enemies could not understand how 'uneducated and ordinary men' (cf. Acts 4:13) could show such courage and endure difficulties, suffering and persecution with joy. Nothing could stop them." (M-3)

"Know Yourself"

1. Are there any of the teachings or practices of the Church with which I disagree? What can I do in order to assent more perfectly to the Church's teachings?
2. Do I think it is really possible for every person to have their own private truths, denying that the One Truth, God, is for everyone?

Group Discussion

1. What should someone do if they feel they are "moved by the Spirit" in a way that contradicts Church teaching or practices?
2. What examples can we remember of saints who suffered persecution with joy? Why did they experience this joy even in hardships?

TB's made some friends, youth from Peru, WYD 2002.



Australia Fact

Australia is famous for lots of its animals. There are 1500 hundred species of Australian spiders. They have over 6000 species of flies, about 4000 species of ants, and there are about 350 species of termites in Australia. Furthermore, Australia has the world's largest population of wild camels with one hump.

How to use this page

1. If possible, take this page to the Church, and pray before the Tabernacle, where Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist.
 2. Start with the "Prayer."
 3. Read each of the squares, and meditate:
 - What do these words mean?
 - How can these words help me become more like Jesus, the Lord?
 4. Finish with the "Know Yourself" section.
 5. Take notes! If you have good ideas, you can share them, for example, with your youth group.
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