## Pentecost

Pentecost is the great feast of the Holy Spirit, but, is it true? Do we really experience this day as a great feast? Does Pentecost move us interiorly as does Christmas or Easter?

If we think of the Holy Spirit, then we lack images, concrete experiences, visible happenings or events. Because the actions of the Divine Spirit are not so obvious, so palpable, as those of Christ or God the Father. The Holy Spirit is – as is said – the third unknown Person of the Divinity, the unknown God for Christians.

In reality, the Divine Spirit is close to us, is present in my life since Baptism, is the guest of my soul. But I have to discover Him, take serious his presence in my interior life, allow myself to be led, enriched and educated by Him.

Now then, who is this Holy Spirit who at Pentecost descended upon Mary and the apostles and who lives in our souls.

We know that God is a God Community – from all eternity – that He is a Trinity of Persons. We know that God is a God Family.

And our human families were created in the image of this Divine Family. Therefore, if nothing is more like God than our human families, then we will also find in them what to characterize the Holy Spirit with.

To better understand the Spirit of God, we must refer to what is most precious and most powerful in a family: family spirit.

A family without spirit is not a true family. But in all those who do possess it, family spirit is more alive than each one of its members.

These members are marked and shaped by it; all end up improved, enriched, characterized by the fact of pertaining to that family.