A Way to Pentecost

A Novena from Ascension to Pentecost

**Introduction**

After the Ascension, we are told that the disciples returned to Jerusalem and spent time together in prayer. They probably also shared stories of things they had seen Jesus do - the things they had heard people say.  
Over the next nine days, we will use the Gospel of each day as a starting point as a time of prayer. The format is designed to be flexible - for you to use as much or as little as you wish in our journey towards Pentecost.

The outline for each day is similar:

**Reading: from ...**  
Usually a short extract from the day's Gospel but with reference to the full text.

**Wondering**  
A few questions that might be sparked from the reading.

**Contemplating**  
Either *lectio divina* - the slow, prayerful reading of Scripture.  
or  
Idea using the imagination or idea for a time of quiet prayer.

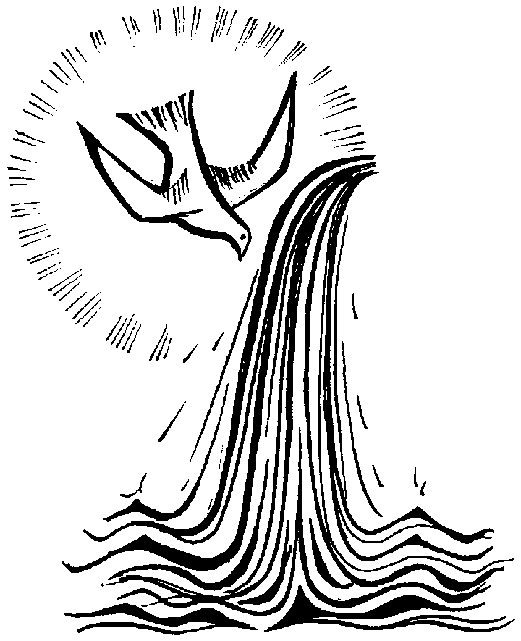
**Reflecting**

Thoughts - questions and intentions for prayer.

**Praying**A prayer invoking the Holy Spirit.

**Action Point**A thought to take into the day from Pope Francis.

**From the Sequence for Pentecost**  
Over the nine days, we will pray the whole Sequence in readiness for Pentecost Sunday.

****Our Father… Hail Mary… Glory be...