

Fire in Our Hearts



In today's Gospel reading Jesus says that He has come to set the earth on fire. Of course He didn't mean that He wanted everything to burn up. He meant that He wanted the flame of the Holy Spirit to burn in the hearts of people all over the world.

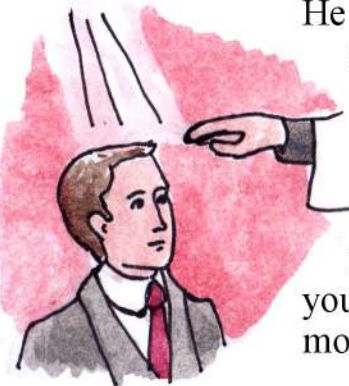
What do you think happens when the Holy Spirit is in someone's soul? The Holy Spirit pulls us closer to Himself and God the Father and Jesus. When we are closer to God that means we love Him more, and the more we love God the more we will love other people too. We were made to love God and be happy with Him, so we want the Holy Spirit to live in us and bring us close to Him!



How does the Holy Spirit come into our souls? When we are baptized the Holy Spirit comes into us for the first time. He will stay with us unless we sin and close our hearts to Him. But when we go to Confession He comes back, and in Holy Communion and the other Sacraments

He becomes even stronger in us. He comes in a special way in the Sacrament of Confirmation, when He gives us grace and strength to live as grown-up Christians and soldiers for God.

Pray to the Holy Spirit to live in your heart and make you love God more every day!



Answers to Fill-in-the-Blanks: great, ourselves, running, keeping, perfecter, Him, despising, throne, endured, weary, Don't give up!

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Luke 12:49-53

"I have come to set the earth on fire,"

and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law."

There is a baptism with which I must be baptized,

and a son against his father,

Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth?

and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!

From now on a household of five will be divided,

No, I tell you, but rather division.

a father will be divided against his son

and a daughter against her mother,

a mother against her daughter

and how I wish it were already blazing!

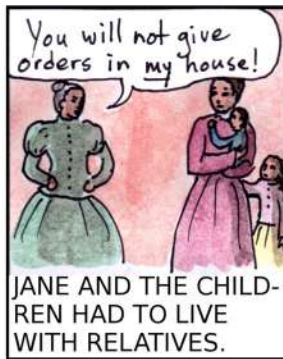
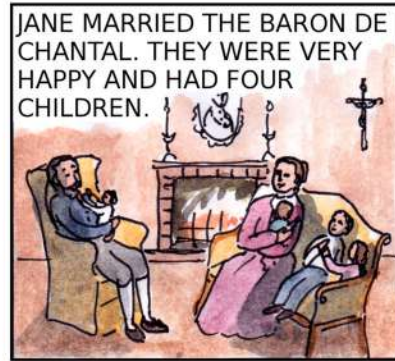
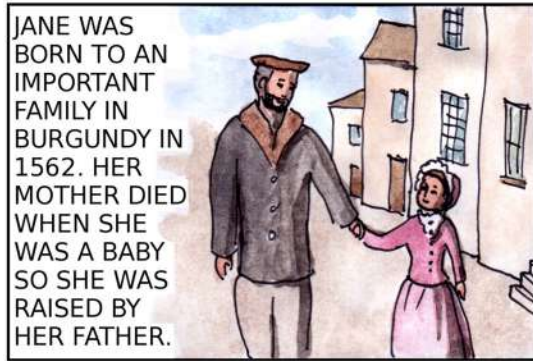
a mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law

three against two and two against three;

**What did Jesus say in today's Gospel reading?
Match the parts to find out!**

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal

August 18



SAINT JANE WAS A CHEERFUL PERSON WHO MADE THE PEOPLE AROUND HER HAPPY, EVEN DURING HER HARD TIMES. JANE WAS ALWAYS HAPPY TO GIVE FOOD TO THE POOR. IF THEY CAME BACK SHE WOULD GIVE THEM MORE. AFTER ALL, SHE SAID, GOD KEEPS GIVING TO US EVERY TIME WE COME BACK!

Follow the Leader Fill-in-the-Blanks

Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks and unscramble the letters from the boxes to fill in the spaces at the end!

Brothers and sisters:

Since we are surrounded by so _____ a cloud of witnesses,

let us rid _____ of every burden and sin that clings to us

and persevere in _____ the race that lies before us

while _____ our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and _____ of faith.

For the sake of the joy that lay before _____.

he endured the cross, _____ its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the _____ of God.

Consider how he _____ such opposition from sinners,

in order that you may not grow _____ and lose heart.

_____ !



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