

The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother - St. Therese of Lisieux

### Mother's Day Blessings

O God, Who didst instruct the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant all mothers the same Spirit to be truly wise, and ever to rejoice in your consolation.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May our Heavenly Mother bless your family!

### 母親祝福語

在此母親節，請為天下的母親祈禱。求主賞賜她們聖神的聰敏，力量和喜樂。

願天上的母皇祝福你們的家庭！

## Theme Sharing

Sixth Sunday of Easter

God is Love

The theme of today's readings conveys the ultimate message of all the Holy Scriptures, namely: that "GOD IS LOVE".

The first reading speaks about the universality of God's love. Guided by the Holy Spirit, Peter went to the house of Cornelius, a Gentile, and preached about Jesus Christ to all the non-Jews present. He proclaimed that "God shows no partiality; anyone in any nation who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to God." In the second reading, John declares that God is Love. Love first comes from our Heavenly Father. It then flows to our hearts through the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Christ always desires to pass Heavenly Father's love to us: "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you". He further says, "There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends"; and there is no better proof of that statement by his dying on the cross to atone for our sins.

We should learn from Christ and welcome God's love with a thankful heart. If we observe his commandment "to love one another as God has loved us", we will abide and live in Christ's love.

At our baptism, our Heavenly Father purifies us with the Precious Blood of his Only Son. Thereafter whenever we receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Jesus acts as our advocate and cleanses our souls of all sins committed by us. So it is only by

God's love that we are able to live in a state of grace and abide in his love.

## 2015 Year Of Consecrated Life

### New and Special Consecration

In the Church's tradition religious profession is considered to be a special and fruitful deepening of the consecration received in Baptism, inasmuch as it is the means by which the close union with Christ already begun in Baptism develops in the gift of a fuller, more explicit and authentic configuration to him through the profession of the evangelical counsels. This further consecration, however, differs in a special way from baptismal consecration, of which it is not a necessary consequence. In fact, all those reborn in Christ are called to live out, with the strength which is the Spirit's gift, the chastity appropriate to their state of life, obedience to God and to the Church, and a reasonable detachment from material possessions: for all are called to holiness, which consists in the perfection of love. But Baptism in itself does not include the call to celibacy or virginity, the renunciation of possessions or obedience to a superior, in the form proper to the evangelical counsels. The profession of the evangelical counsels thus presupposes a particular gift of God not given to everyone, as Jesus himself emphasizes with respect to voluntary celibacy. This call is accompanied, moreover, by a specific gift of the Holy Spirit, so that consecrated persons can respond to their vocation and mission. For this reason, as the liturgies of the East and West testify in the rite of monastic or religious profession and in the consecration of virgins, the Church invokes the gift of the Holy Spirit upon those who have been chosen and joins their oblation to the sacrifice of Christ. The profession of the evangelical counsels is also a development of the grace of the Sacrament of Confirmation, but it goes beyond the ordinary demands of the consecration received in Confirmation by virtue of a special gift of the Spirit which opens the way to new possibilities and fruits of holiness and apostolic work. This can clearly be seen from the history of the consecrated life. As for priests who profess the evangelical counsels, experience itself shows that the Sacrament of Holy Orders finds a particular fruitfulness in this

consecration, inasmuch as it requires and fosters a closer union with the Lord. The priest who professes the evangelical counsels is especially favoured in that he reproduces in his life the fullness of the mystery of Christ, thanks also to the specific spirituality of his Institute and the apostolic dimension of its proper charism. In the priest, in fact, the vocation to the priesthood and the vocation to the consecrated life converge in a profound and dynamic unity. Also of immeasurable value is the contribution made to the Church's life by religious priests completely devoted to contemplation. Especially in the celebration of the Eucharist they carry out an act of the Church and for the Church, to which they join the offering of themselves, in communion with Christ who offers himself to the Father for the salvation of the whole world.

## Diocese & Other News

### 2015 Western Canadian Catholic Stewardship Conference (WCCSC)

"Stewards – Radiating the Joy of the Gospel." will take place at the Calgary Telus Convention Centre, June 12 – 14, 2015. Register online at [www.wccsc.ca](http://www.wccsc.ca) for the conference now and save on the early bird registration fee of \$195.00 per person until May 15, 2015. On May 16, 2015 the conference regular registration fee is \$235.00 per person. With questions, contact [stewardship@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:stewardship@calgarydiocese.ca) or call Eden D'Souza, Stewardship Coordinator at 403-218-5520.

## Parish Activities

Humanitarian Crisis in Nepal: Since Saturday, the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (CCODP) has been in constant communication with the General Secretariat of Caritas Internationalis: Information received from Caritas Nepal, Caritas India and the Catholic Relief Services office in India, indicates that the country is experiencing a major crisis. CCODP has informed us that it has launched an appeal for donations to help in this humanitarian emergency. In fact, it has already posted a banner on the home page of its website and

has activated a donation option for the earthquake in Nepal that you can find at the following links:

<https://www.devop.org/en/civicrm/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=13>.

You may also contribute to this humanitarian relief outreach by sending your cheques through the Office of the Diocese to CCODP - simply mark "Nepal" (to the address: Catholic Pastoral Centre, 120-17th Ave. SW, Calgary, AB, T2S-2T2).  
- Parishioners can donate cash or make your cheque payable to OLPH, earmarked "Nepal" put it in an envelope (with your Sunday collection envelope number OR name and address marked) and drop it into the Sunday Mass collection basket. The amount will be added to your year-end donation tax receipt issued by the parish. Thank you for your generosity and solidarity with the people experiencing hardship in Nepal, and pray for them!  
May God Bless You !

### Weekday Mass Cancelled

Since Fr. Joseph will attend Clergy Retreat from May 12 to 15, the following Mass will be cancelled:

9:00 a.m. Mass from May 12 (Tue) to May 15 (Fri), and the 7:00 p.m. Tuesday Mass on May 12

### The Pentecost Novena

Jesus Christ and the Father gave us the Holy Spirit so we may be sanctified. Our sanctification is achieved through our daily personal communion with God and the Church. As we spiritually grow in Christ, God is pleased and the Holy Catholic Church benefits. If we receive gifts as the disciples received gifts on Pentecost, it is for the benefit of the whole Body of Christ. Through the growth of the Body of Christ, we grow alongside the other faithful members of the Church. If the Body of Christ suffers because of the neglect of some, we all suffer. The feast day of Pentecost will be coming soon. To prepare ourselves to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit, our parish encourages parishioners to pray The Pentecost novena at home. Honoring the Holy Spirit is the oldest of all novenas, and it is still the only novena officially prescribed by the Church. Addressed to the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity, it is a powerful plea for the light and strength and love so sorely needed

by every Christian.

The Novena begins on May 15 ( Friday ) and ends on May 23 ( Saturday ).

Parishioners can pick up the Pentecost Novena booklet at the Church main and side entrances.

### "Family Rosary Gathering"

The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Planning & Evangelization Committee sincerely invites all Godparents and Godchildren and all Parishioners to join the "Family Rosary Gathering" from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Upper Hall on May 24 (Sunday). All Godparents, Godchildren and all Parishioners are w! We will provide a light lunch for all participants.

### OLPH Breakfast Corner

OLPH CFF will be hosting a Breakfast Corner on Sunday, May 31st at OLPH Upper Hall after every Mass.

Ticket price: \$5.00 each

Tickets are available at the religious article counter.

All Parishioners and friends are welcome!

### Together in Action 2015

Theme: "Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering for he who has promised is faithful." (Hebrews 10:23)

In 2015 our parish's target will be identical to our portion from the diocese at \$22,297. As of April 12, our campaign has received a total of \$9,260.

We plead for your ongoing support. Together we will help thousands within our own communities and abroad through difficult times. Parishioners can pick up the donation envelopes at the entrances. Let's take action now!

## Weekly Activities

Wed, Fri May 13, 15

### OLPH Senior Centre

Time: 9:00a.m.-12:00 noon

Place: OLPH Church Upper Hall

Fri May 15

### OLPH Scout

Time: 6:30pm.-8:30 pm

Place: Upper Hall & Lower Hall

Sat May 16

### Legion of Mary ( meeting )

Time: 9:30a.m.

Place: K of C Room

### Yoga beginner class

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 3:15p.m.

Place: OLPH Church Lower Hall

### Young Adults choir practice

Time: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00p.m.

Place: OLPH Upper Hall

## Let There Be Light

### Mother's Day Prayers

A Prayer for all Mothers,

Thank you, Lord, that you fill a mother's heart with love,

That you have instilled in her very being the need to protect her children if at all possible, Thank you for giving her the gift of nurturing her children, of teaching them, of comforting them, for feeding them and making a safe place for them.

For guiding them to be all that God has created them to be.

Fill every mother with love, wisdom and endurance,

with strength and patience and joy.

Give them ability to forgive again and again.

Enable her to rely on You and call upon You, because You will give her all she needs.

In Your precious and all powerful name,  
Amen

## Stories Faith Sharing

### A Mother's Reflection

"Standing near the cross (was) Jesus' mother, Mary"(John 19:25)

"Your son has been shot," the ambulance attendant told me as they wheeled our son Mark into the hospital lobby.

The grocery store where our son worked evenings and weekends had just called and told me to rush to the hospital because Mark had been hurt. But they didn't tell me what happened.

When I saw Mark's ashen face I was shocked, but also very thankful he was alive. It was the evening before his 18th birthday. They rushed him to the emergency room and I stood there watching as they peeled back the bloody bandage, revealing the gun shot wounds. The bullet went between his bottom two ribs and out the back. Then they began to look for a vein so they could give him antibiotics intravenously. I guess I must have been quite pale, because one of the nurses said I better sit down, which I did.

I sat there stunned, not being able to take in what had just happened. Shootings happen to someone else's family, don't they?

Is this what Mary, the mother of Jesus felt like, I wondered? When she saw Jesus on the cross, wounded and bleeding, was she numb? Did she want to scream at the men who nailed him to the cross? How could she bear watching?

Every time I hear a child cry in pain, every time I see starving children on TV or hear about a child being abused, my stomach turns into a knot. How could anyone be so cruel?

It took about three months for our son to recuperate. The man who shot him was never apprehended. (He walked out of the store with a cart of stolen groceries and Mark had followed him.) We prayed for this man.

We must accelerate the prayers for the mothers of the hurting, hungry, thirsty and wounded children of the world. Pray for them. Ask God to show you how you can help. Our Almighty Father, sometimes it takes a shocking experience to open our eyes to the pain around us. Give us seeing eyes and compassionate hearts. Don't let us become apathetic. Amen.

## Read More Know More

### The Pentecost Novena

After Jesus ascended to Heaven His Apostles, together with Mary and other members of the original Christian Church, continued to pray together until the feast of Pentecost when, in accordance with Jesus' promise, "they were all filled with the Holy Spirit." These nine days of prayer, reported in Acts 1:14 and 2:3-4, were the first Novena on which all later Novenas have been based. No one could possibly love you more than God the Holy Spirit. You have given and received only natural love. God's love is supernatural. His love for you is unlimited. He created you. Just as you are. Just as He wanted you to be. He wants you to know Him. He wants you to be happy and enjoy this world and this life He gave you. With His gifts, He gives you all you need to accomplish this. He wants to give you unlimited WISDOM, KNOWLEDGE and UNDERSTANDING. He wants to COUNSEL you and give you FORTITUDE. He wants to make it easy for you to be close and intimate with Him through His gift to you of PIETY. He

wants to create in you a love for Him that will satisfy every want and desire you have.

by Father Tom Euteneuer  
To Be Continued

## 主日分享

### 復活第六主日

本主日的三篇讀經都非常美好，和我們談了愛和本身就是愛的天主。這正是新約啓示的最高峰。

第一篇讀經向我們展示了天主的愛是普世性的。舊約聖經給人的印象似乎是天主的愛祇限於賜給選民。但其實，天主會表示祂給予以色列選民的優待並非永遠祇限於給他們，而應該擴展到萬民身上。天主早在召喚亞巴郎時便已經對他說：「地上萬民都要因你獲得祝福。」（創 12, 3）因此，天主的計畫是一個普世性的計畫，通過耶穌的逾越奧秘，通過祂的死亡與復活奧秘而實現。

在第二篇讀經中若望斷言「天主是愛」。我們經常對天主有一個極嚴重的錯誤概念，我們認為天主是一個無情的力量，是一個絕不妥協的法官，是一個暴君。其實完全相反，聖經向我們啓示天主是愛。天主絕對的慷慨，無限的慈愛。

天主愛所有的人，不再有任何的限制。所有信祂的人都是祂的選民。祇需要信仰基督，接納經由祂而通傳給我們的天主的愛，我們便能從罪惡中得救而生活在這愛之共融的完滿喜樂中。

我們要感謝主使我們得以參與祂的愛的計畫，並知道應該不斷地在愛中有所長進。爲了符合我們作爲基督信徒的聖召，我們應該在自己心中發展出真正普世性的愛。教會是大公的，就是說，教會開放，隨時願意擁抱所有的民族，使他們與天主共融，互相間也共融。 節錄自梵蒂岡廣播電台

## 2015 奉獻生活年

### 新而特別的奉獻

按照教會的傳承，修道生活的誓願確實是聖洗誓願的加深及強化。始於聖洗的與基督的相契相似，經由福音勸諭的誓願，能進展爲更真實的更圓滿的肖似基督。然而，這種進一層的奉

獻，有別於聖洗聖事中的奉獻，而且也不一定是它必然的後果。誠然，凡是在基督內重生的人全都蒙召，而神恩賜下，按自身的生活型態度一合宜的貞潔生活，在生活中服從天主、服從教會，對物質財產等要有某種程度的舍棄；因爲人人皆蒙召成聖，即臻於愛之圓滿。但是，聖洗本身並不包含福音勸諭的特有形式上所要求的獨身生活，財物的舍棄和對上司的服從。因此福音勸諭誓願的先決條件是天主的一份特恩，這特恩並不及於每一個人；正如耶穌談及自願守貞者時所特別指出的。

這種召喚因有聖神的一份特別禮物相伴，蒙召者方能履行其聖召及使命。所以在東西方教會的奉獻禮或矢願禮儀中，教會呼求聖神降臨被選者身上，並將他們的奉獻與基督的犧牲相融合。

福音勸諭的誓願也是堅振聖事恩寵的延展，但遠超堅振聖事所要求的一般性的奉獻；因著聖神的特別恩寵，能爲聖德和使徒工作開展新的途徑，產生新的果實。從獻身生活的歷史中可以清楚看出。

至於司鐸而宣發福音勸諭聖願者，經驗顯示聖秩聖事在這樣的奉獻中產生其特殊的果實；因爲此奉獻要求並培養一份與主相契相融之情。矢發福音勸諭聖願的司鐸，基於所屬修會團體的靈修，及其特有神恩中之使徒性含義，更有利於在生活中重現基督奧跡的圓滿。其實，在司鐸身上，司鐸職的召叫和獻身生的召叫，二者極深、極有活力地凝聚在一起。

全然致力於靜觀生活的修會司鐸，他們對教會生命的貢獻也是無價之寶。特別是舉行感恩聖祭時，他們踐行了教會的行動，也爲教會而行動；而在其中又加上自己的奉獻，與基督共融，爲普世之得救而上獻於天父。

## 堂區活動

### 援助尼泊爾災民

尼泊爾 4 月 25 日發生破壞力十足的強烈地震，造成超過數千人喪生。這次地震的規模爲 7.9 級，主震及隨後的

強烈餘震嚴重影響了首都加德滿都和博克拉城中間人口密集的谷地。加德滿都有許多罹難者的遺體從斷垣殘壁中被尋獲，物質上的損失也極為慘重。尼泊爾首都很多樓房倒塌，其它城市則尚未傳出明確消息，對外交交通困難的鄉村地區尤其音訊全無。這次地震非常強烈又破壞力十足，連印度、巴基斯坦和孟加拉都清楚感受到地震的威力。

為援助尼泊爾災民，加拿大天主教促進發展與和平組織（CCODP）由週六一直與國際慈善社總秘書處不斷溝通；尼泊爾明愛，印度明愛在印度天主教救濟服務處收到的信息，指示該國正在經歷一場重大危機。加拿大天主教促進發展與和平組織 CCODP 已經發出呼籲捐款，以幫助尼泊爾災民。

#### 捐款方法：

— 請以現金或支票抬頭“OLPH”，附註“Nepal”，放入信封內（請寫上捐獻信封號碼，或姓名及地址），然後放進主日奉獻籃內。捐款數目將加入堂區發給你的年終捐獻報稅收條總額內。  
— 直接寄支票到教區中心，支票抬頭“RC Diocese of Calgary” 附註：“Nepal”

地址：120 17th Ave S.W., Calgary, AB. T2S 2T2

— 教友也可作網上捐獻，詳情請參閱 <https://www.devp.org/en/civcrm/contribute/transact?reset=1&id=13> 網頁。

多謝大家伸出援手，慷慨解囊並為尼泊爾祈禱！願主祝福你們！

#### 聖神九日敬禮

聖神降臨節將至，本堂藉此鼓勵堂區內所有的教友，能夠在聖神降臨節將至的時刻，在家中誦念聖神九日敬禮禱文，藉此幫助信友在聖神的九日敬禮中，讓聖神更新我們的心思念慮，獲得所預許的豐富生命，充滿聖神的德能，結出常存的果實，並歸光榮於天父。

聖神九日敬禮小冊子將擺放在教堂正門及側門入口處，希望大家能夠藉著這個九日敬禮，渴求充滿聖神，尤其是在聖神降臨節前，可以透過這小冊子的禱文，藉著基督，偕同聖母瑪利

亞，向天父懇禱，祈求祂把聖神傾注到我們每個人身上，澆灌整個教會，使萬象更新，眾人歸依！“你們縱然不善，尚且知道把好東西給你們的兒女，何況在天之父，有不更將聖神賜與求祂的人嗎？”（路 11：13）

「聖神九日敬禮」就是在聖神降臨前做九日敬禮，即由 5 月 15 日（星期五）開始至 5 月 23 日（星期六）結束。

#### 平日彌撒取消

因阮神父在 5 月 12 日至 15 日參與司鐸避靜，以下彌撒將取消：

5 月 12 日（星期二）至 15 日（星期五）之早上九時彌撒

5 月 12 日之晚上七時彌撒

#### 家庭玫瑰經聚會

五月是聖母月，教會鼓勵信友在這聖母月多誦念玫瑰經。堂區福傳組誠意邀請各位代父母，代子女及聖堂各位兄弟姊妹踴躍參加五月二十四日（星期日）中午十二時三十分至下午二時在上禮堂舉行的家庭玫瑰經聚會。

歡迎堂區所有代父母及代子女參加。是日特備午餐招待。

#### 早餐交流會

為促進堂區教友情誼，永援聖母堂公教家庭特設早餐交流會。

日期：五月卅一日（星期日）

時間：八時三十分彌撒後有茶點招待，十時及十一時半彌撒後有精美中式早餐供應（清湯牛腩河/雞肉湯河）

地點：卡城永援聖母堂上禮堂

購票：費用每位五元，由即日起在聖物部購買。

祈望各教友攜同親友擁躍參加。

#### 2015 教區公益金，齊來獻愛心

主題是「藉可忠信那位的許諾，堅持著不動搖的希望。」希伯來書 10 章 23 節，「讓我們一起來行動」（TIA）現已開始，我們堂區今年的目標與堂區配額同是 \$22,297。截至 4 月 12 日，捐款已累積至 9,260 元。懇請各位教友繼續支持，合力幫助本土社區及國外成千上萬的勞苦大眾。捐款信封可在聖堂入口處拿取。就讓我們立即行動，慷慨解囊！

## 活動一週

星期三、五 5 月 13, 15 日

#### 永援聖母松柏軒

時間：上午 9 時至正午 12 時

地點：永援聖母堂上禮堂

星期五 5 月 15 日

#### 永援聖母堂童軍

時間：晚上 6 時 30 分至 8 時 30 分

地點：永援聖母堂上禮堂及下禮堂

星期六 5 月 16 日

#### 聖母軍

時間：上午 11 時（開會）

地點：聖堂二樓騎士會室

#### 瑜珈初班

時間：下午 2 時至下午 3 時 15 分

地點：永援聖母堂下禮堂

#### 大專青年團練習聖詩

時間：下午 5 時至 7 時

地點：永援聖母堂上禮堂

## 心靈小品

### 母親節的反思

踏入五月份，四週圍都濃罩著母親節的氣氛。各處都用不同的方法提醒大家母親節將臨，要作好準備為母親慶祝她們的日子。有些商業機構更會舉辦「最偉大母親選舉」或是「歌頌母愛比賽」。它們的目的都是籍著母親節的日子表揚母愛的偉大。我也有看過這些比賽，也為母親的大愛而感動。

天下母親都會無條件地愛她們的兒女。她們對自己所付出的心血、時間、精神、心機通通都無怨言，只因她們希望可以給予子女們最好的照顧。在母親中，兒女們永遠都是小孩子，無論何時她們都會盡心的為他們付上悉心的照料。有時候，子女們會覺得母親的照料有點厭煩或是多餘，對母親為自己的事掛心而感到不安。我也會對母親有些感覺，但是我不能否認她對我的掛心或照顧是出於她對我的愛。儘管我有時會對她某些行為覺得不悅，但是我學習多欣賞和明白她對我所做的事，感受她為我付出的愛。

很多時候我們對母親為我們所做的一切覺得是理想當然，但當失去了母親

的時候才會後悔沒有好好報答母親對我們的愛。我相信母親沒有要求兒女要報答她的養育之恩，她們單單希望兒女能夠感受及明白她對他們所付出的，冀望他們能成爲一個有用的人。母親節是一個讓我們向母親表示敬意的日子，但我們不要只是單在這日才向母親表達敬意，應該每日都讓母親感受到我們對她的愛！

### 母親的真福八端

1. 了解子女的母親是有福的，因為她將享受美好的回憶。
2. 引領子女走正直途徑的母親是有福的，因為她將以自己的子女爲榮。
3. 懂得安慰子女的母親是有福的，因為她將會得到子女的摯愛。
4. 坐亂不驚的母親是有福的，因為她將獲享自信。
5. 行善避惡的母親是有福的，因為她的子女亦驕倣傲。
6. 教導子女尊重別人的母親是有福的，因為她也被尊重。
7. 能從子女的角度看事的母親是有福的，因為她的家會充滿和睦喜樂。
8. 堅強而平靜地面對子女不體諒的批評的母親是有福的，因為假以時日，她必受到成長子女的敬重。

### 靈修小故事

#### 世上只有媽媽好

記起一個小故事。發生在很久以前日本的一條小村，當時期生活不景，連糧食都不足。村內有個不文明的風俗，就是當家中的老人，年屆六十，便由家人背到曠野深山放下，任其自生以省糧食。

一個兒子也按著風俗背著自己媽媽走向森林。但奇怪地看見母親手拿著一顆紅葉小株，每到一些轉角樹位，必摘下一片紅葉丟在地上。兒子暗想「我媽真聰明呀！」過了一段相當的時候，當兒子從背上放下母親正要離去之際，母親拉著他的手，千叮萬囑：「記得跟著地上的紅葉走出山林，免得迷路呀！」兒子猛然醒覺，母親一路沿途的動作全是爲了自己。實在忍不住放聲大哭。馬上背起母親跑回家去，一於有粥食粥、有飯食飯，決不

會爲保糧食而遺棄母親。這事也感動了村中人，從此廢掉這不仁不義的風俗。

### 知多一點點

#### 聖神九日敬禮

教會的第一個九日敬禮始於耶穌基督，在祂升天之前，祂教導門徒在耶路撒冷等待天主聖神的來臨（宗一 4、14）。於是，在耶穌升天後及至五旬節日之前的一段日子，“宗徒們偕同耶穌的母親瑪利亞同心合意地專務祈禱”（宗 1：14）。直至五旬節那天，聖神傾注在每人身上，他們才借著聖神賜予的德能、勇毅、智慧及力量，到處宣講福音，這也是向聖神行九日敬禮的開始。

不少人會問，既然我們領洗時已經領受了聖神，爲什麼我們還要再祈求聖神的充滿呢？在初期教會，信友們熱心地敬禮聖神，教會也在聖神的德能中蓬勃發展，慕道者領受入門聖事時，大多有被聖神充滿和領受運用神恩的經驗。但隨著時間的流轉，教會因爲愈來愈龐大和趨向制度化，以致信友對聖神的敬禮及聖神的恩賜也日漸疏忽，神恩的經驗逐漸消退，所以，慕道者在領洗時，很少經驗神恩；因此，在教會日常的信仰生活中，也很少經驗到聖神。因爲我們領洗時沒有充滿聖神的德能，我們仍隨從肉性生活，聖神被困鎖住，沒有發揮祂能力的機會。主耶穌知道我們活在罪惡和敗壞的世代，若要保持堅強的信心和剛毅有力的見證，就需要有「來自高天的能力」去掌管我們的生命。祇有當我們願意棄絕自己，隨從聖神引領，讓祂掌管生命，聖神的德能才能展現。

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