

# Making a Holy Spirit Scripture Wheel

The focus of this month's work in Religious Education has been the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. This has been in preparation for the feast of Pentecost; the day when the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles of Jesus. The 31st May is Pentecost and it would be lovely, if your son/daughter could complete their topic of learning by making a Holy Spirit Scripture Wheel, to remind them of importance of The Holy Spirit in all our lives.

"The Holy Spirit gives us joy. And he is joy. Joy is the gift in which all the other gifts are included. It is the expression of happiness, of being in harmony with ourselves, that which can only come from being in harmony with God and with his creation. It belongs to the nature of joy to be radiant; it must communicate itself. The missionary spirit of the Church is none other than the impulse to communicate the joy which has been given." *Pope Benedict XVI, Christmas Address to the Roman Curia, 2008*

Based on verses from the Bible, this craft presents four scenes of the Holy Spirit from the New Testament. The wheel turns to highlight one of four feasts: the Annunciation, the Visitation, the Baptism of the Lord, and Pentecost. It's a great way to learn the stories and memorize the corresponding verses!

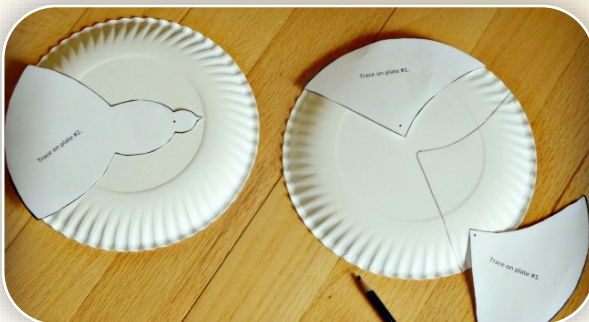
To make your own Holy Spirit Scripture Wheel, you will need:



- Scripture wheel template
- two paper plates or thick card
- scissors
- a split pin
- a dove template
- coloured pencils, markers, or crayons
- a ribbon to hang your craft
- glue



1. To begin, cut out the three pieces of the dove from the template.



You will need one plate or piece of cardboard for the body of the dove and a second plate for the wings. Trace these pieces onto the backs of the plates.

Be sure to line the long, curved edges of the template up with the outer edge of the plate. This will give your dove's wings and tails a feathery look

2. Using scissors or a hole punch, put small holes in the three plate pieces to correspond with the dots marked on the template.



3. Place all three plate pieces face up. The straight edges of the wings should be closest to the tail of the dove.



4. Once you have the pieces in the correct order, align the three holes to match the picture below. Glue the underside of the body down to the wings.



5. While the glue is drying, cut and colour the circle on the first page of the template. Poke a small hole in the exact centre of the circle.



Once your paper plate dove is dry, align the very centre of the circle with the holes on the dove. Insert a split pin through both the paper plate dove and the cardstock circle.

You should now be able to rotate the circle to display an image along with its corresponding Bible verse.

Attach a ribbon to the upper left and right hand corners of the dove's tail using a strong glue.

## Here are some that we made at school

The Juniors made Pentecost scripture spinners, and decorated biscuits in Pentecost colours to remind us of the flames, wind and the power of the Holy Spirit. The children decided how the Holy Spirit could help them in their lives today..." *guide me to do the right thing*", "*help me to think of others at school and home*", "*help me to say my prayers and ask for people who are ill to get better*".



The infants made Holy Spirit headbands, they thought about the ways in which they could be like the Holy Spirit..." *smile*", "*share*", "*say my prayers*".







Luke 1:35

The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; and for that reason the holy Child shall be called the Son of God."



Luke 1:41

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.



Luke 3:22

And the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in a dove, and a voice came out of heaven, "You are my beloved Son, in You I am well-pleased."



John 20:22

And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

