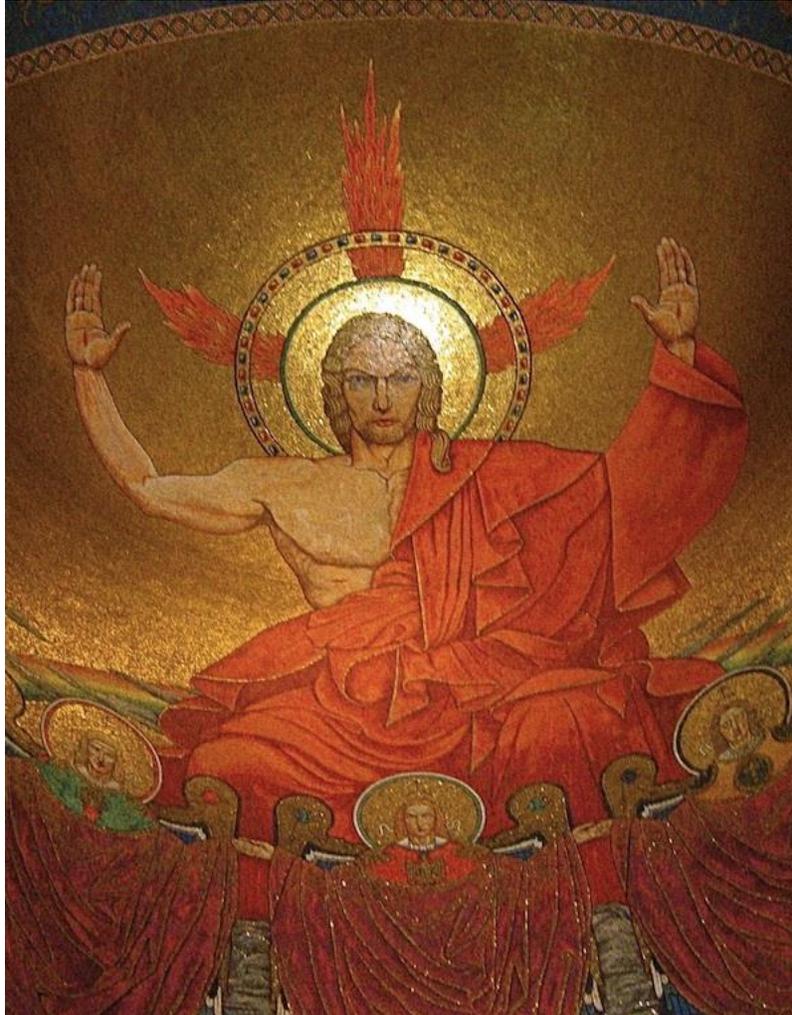


# *Humanity Finds Itself in the Middle of Two Fires*

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## *II. The Name, Titles, and Symbols of the Holy Spirit (CCC) Symbols of the Holy Spirit*

**696** *Fire.* While water signifies birth and the fruitfulness of life given in the Holy Spirit, fire symbolizes the transforming energy of the Holy Spirit's actions. The prayer of the prophet Elijah, who "arose like fire" and whose "word burned like a torch," brought down fire from heaven on the sacrifice on Mount Carmel.<sup>37</sup> This event was a "figure" of the fire of the Holy Spirit, who transforms what he touches. John the Baptist, who goes "before [the Lord] in the spirit and power of Elijah," proclaims Christ as the one who "will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire."<sup>38</sup> Jesus will say of the Spirit: "I came to cast fire upon the earth; and would that it were already kindled!"<sup>39</sup> In the form of tongues "as of fire," the Holy Spirit rests

on the disciples on the morning of Pentecost and fills them with himself.<sup>40</sup> The spiritual tradition has retained this symbolism of fire as one of the most expressive images of the Holy Spirit's actions.<sup>41</sup> "Do not quench the Spirit."<sup>42</sup>

### *Luke 17:29*

And in the day that Lot went out of Sodom, it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all.

### *Acts of Apostles 2:3*

And there appeared to them parted tongues as it were of fire, and it sat upon every one of them:

### *Apocalypse (Revelation) 20:9*

[9] And there came down fire from God out of heaven, and devoured them; and the devil, who seduced them, was cast into the pool of fire and brimstone, where both the beast [10] And the false prophet shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

### *From the Book of Heaven*

**V14 - Sept. 1, 1922** - After I spent a day feeling I was dying continuously, at night, as my sweet Jesus came back, He wanted, again, to inflate more the place of my heart, and I said to Him: 'Jesus, I can take no more; I cannot contain what I have, and You want to add more?' And He, taking me in His arms to give me strength, told me: "My daughter, courage, let Me do it. It is necessary, otherwise I would not give you so much pain. Evils have reached such a point that there is all the necessity that you suffer my pains - vividly, as if I were living on earth again. The earth is about to unleash flames to chastise the creatures. My Love which runs toward them to cover them with graces, being rejected, turns into fire to strike them. Therefore humanity finds itself in the middle of two fires - fire from Heaven and fire from the earth. There are so many evils that these fires are about to join, while the pains I make you suffer flow in the midst of these two fires and prevent them from uniting. If I did not do so, everything would be over for poor humanity. Therefore, let Me do it; I will give you strength and I will be with you."

**FIAT!**