

1 Cor 12: 1. 4 - 11

¹As for the gifts of the Spirit, brethren, I will not leave you in ignorance.

⁴There are different charisms, but only one is the Spirit; ⁵there are different ministries, but only one is the Lord; ⁶there are different activities, but only one is God, who works all in all. ⁷To each one is given a particular manifestation of the Spirit for the common good: ⁸to one, through the Spirit, is given the language of wisdom; ⁹to another, by the same Spirit, the language of knowledge; ⁹to one, in the same Spirit, faith; to another, in the one Spirit, the gift of healing; ¹⁰to one the power of miracles; to another the gift of prophecy; to another the gift of discerning spirits; to another the variety of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹But all these things are worked by the one and the same Spirit, distributing them to each one as he will.

Suggestions for personal prayer

There is a diversity of ministries:

- the source is the same: the Holy Spirit,
- each baptized has received one or more gifts,
- do you know all the gifts you've received? How do you use them?
- Do you know the gifts that others have received? How do they use them?
- All talents without equal in dignity because they are all services, no gift is greater than another,
- are as complementary to each other as the various parts of the body.
- The Church is one, but the ecclesial ministries are many and different,
- do not belong to us and are not for personal gain,
- are all for the common good and the service of God's people,
- are to be used in the Church's evangelizing mission,
- In the end Jesus will ask us to account for the talents received (Mt 25:14-30).