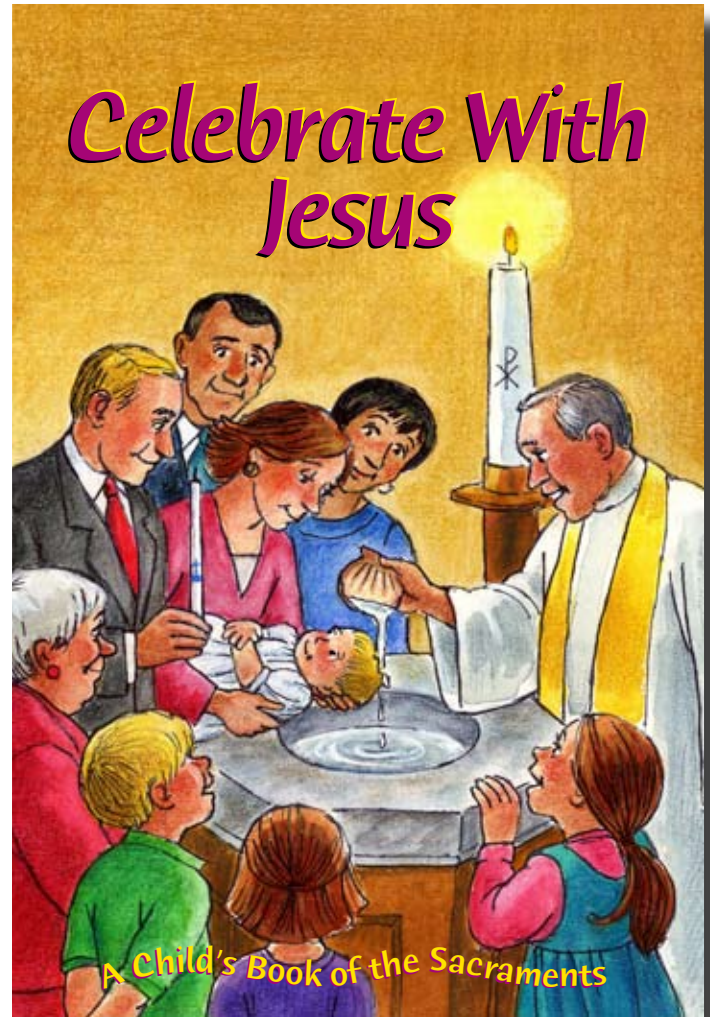


Celebrate With Jesus A Child's Book of the Sacraments

An easy-to-follow format introduces each sacrament with a story in the life of Jesus, along with a symbol as an instant visual reminder. A key word helps children understand and remember the main emphasis of these celebrations in the life of the Church.

As always, engaging activities help children "heart-learn" as well as "head-learn." A symbol for each sacrament is used to provide an instant visual reminder.

In addition to learning about the sacraments, children will also become familiar with common sacramentals, such as palms, the rosary, and holy water. The sacredness of daily activities is presented as well, to reassure that the sacraments are not our only means of grace.



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A Child's Book of the Sacraments

You are invited to explore
seven celebrations of faith... and more!

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Baptism—the Beginning

Jesus celebrated Baptism. It was the beginning of his mission.

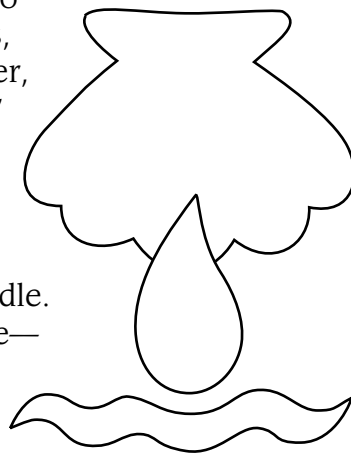
One day, Jesus went to the Jordan River. That's where his cousin John baptized many people. John was surprised to see Jesus! John did not feel worthy to baptize Jesus. But Jesus told him to go ahead. So Jesus stepped into the river, and John baptized him.

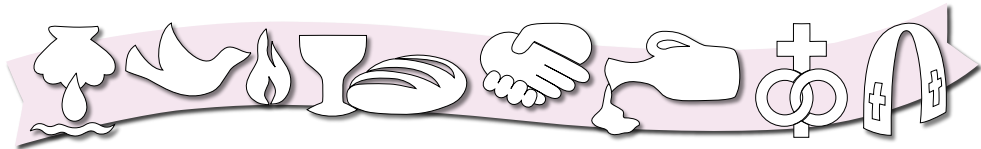
When Jesus came out of the water, amazing things happened! The Holy Spirit came to him. And a voice came out of the sky. The voice said, "This is my beloved son. I am very pleased with him." (See Matthew 3:13-17.)

When we celebrate Baptism, we celebrate with Jesus. It is a beginning for us, too. We begin to follow Jesus. We join his Church. And we share his mission.

Either a priest or a deacon may baptize. Here are some highlights from our baptismal celebration.

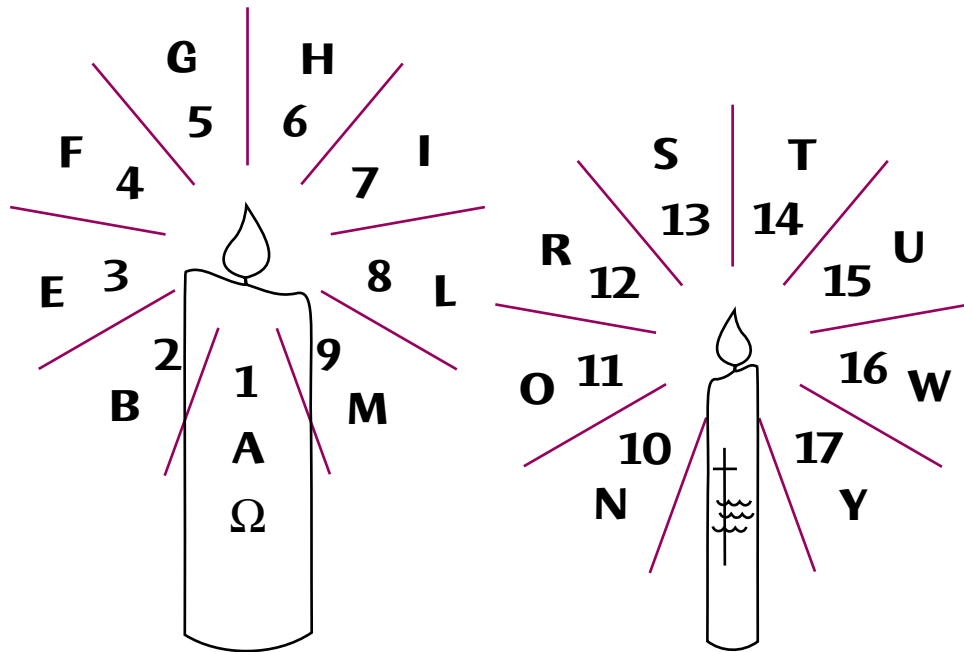
- We listen to sacred stories from the Bible.
- We remember God's promise to love us. We promise to love God, too. The parents and godparents promise to help the ones being baptized grow in faith.
- The priest or deacon uses holy water to bless the ones being baptized. He says, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Then he anoints them with the oil of chrism. They are now baptized.
- The newly baptized persons wear white clothing.
- The priest or deacon gives them a candle. Its flame comes from the Easter candle—also called the paschal candle.
- We welcome the newly baptized persons into our faith community.





When we celebrate Baptism, we use the Easter, or paschal, candle. It reminds us of Jesus, who said, "I am the Light of the World." When the priest or deacon gives us a small candle lit from the Easter candle, we receive a tiny spark of Jesus' light.

When you pray today, imagine your tiny spark. Listen for Jesus. What do you hear? Follow the code to find a message.



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Baptism begins our adventure of faith.

Celebrate With Jesus

Anointing of the Sick— Acceptance and Strength

Jesus celebrated healing. He cured people who had many different illnesses. He accepted them as they were. And he gave them strength to recover.

One day, Jesus was going to Jerusalem. Ten people watched for him. They had a disease called leprosy. People thought it was very contagious!

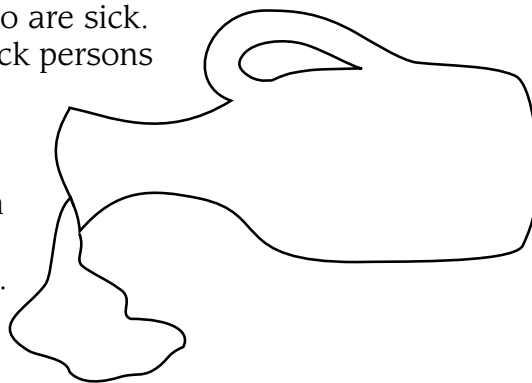
The ten lepers stayed far away from Jesus. They yelled, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us!” Jesus told them to go to the temple. On their way, they were cured!

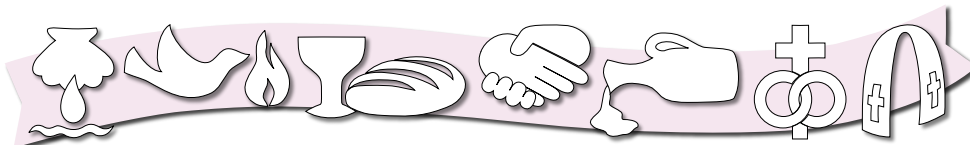
One of them returned. He praised God and thanked Jesus. Jesus wondered about the other nine. But then he told that one, “Your faith has made you well.” (See Luke 17:11-19.)

When we celebrate Anointing of the Sick, we celebrate with Jesus. He accepts us as we are, even when we are sick. He heals us in ways we do not see. Then we have new strength to live in God’s love.

Here are some highlights of our celebration.

- We pray about our thoughts, words, and actions.
- We listen to sacred stories from the Bible.
- We pray for all people who are sick.
- The priest prays for the sick persons who are present. He lays his hands on their heads.
- The priest anoints their foreheads and hands with blessed oil.
- We pray the Lord’s Prayer.





When we celebrate Anointing of the Sick, we celebrate God's gift of healing. Sometimes, our bodies get sick. Our hearts get sad. And our souls get stuck. We depend on God. Our faith makes us whole.

*We depend on one another, too. Do you see emptiness in the words below? Fill them with **h**, **u**, **g**, or **s**.*

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Hugs __ive u__ a __ood do__e of love. T__ey do not have side effect__. B__t be caref__l. T__ey can be very conta__iou__!



**Do you see emptiness in the people you know?
Fill them with hugs!**