

# What Catholics Believe about Baptism

Catholics believe that the sacraments come to us from ...

Jesus

The apostles

The Church of the thirteenth century

The Council of Trent

A sacrament is a sign from Christ by which he comes to us and gives us his life and love.

Sacraments can best be described as ...

Sacred things

Secular rites

Meetings with Christ

Memorials of Christ

Baptism is, of course, one of the seven sacraments. In fact it is the first sacrament a Christian receives. Therefore we call baptism a sacrament of ...

Initiation

Invitation

Salvation

The first mention of baptism in the New Testament is made in reference to ...

John the Baptizer

Jesus' baptism in the River Jordan

Jesus' command to baptize the nations

In the early Church, baptism was performed on ...

Adults

Children

Infants

Today it is customary to baptize people into the Catholic Church as ...

Infants

Children

Adults

Catholics believe baptism takes away original sin but not personal sin.

True

False

Adults who have been baptized in another Christian Church must be baptized again if they

wish to join the Catholic Church.

True

False

In our tradition, someone normally acts as the baptismal minister who actually conducts the rite of baptism... The ordinary administrators of baptism are ...

Bishops

Priests

Deacons

Anyone in an emergency

How are baptisms usually performed in the Catholic Church?

Pouring

Sprinkling

Immersion

Lakeside

The ordinary time for baptism is ...

During Sunday liturgy

Designated Sunday afternoons

Easter Vigil

All of the above

The essential signs of baptism are water and the Trinitarian formula.

True

False

The baptismal rite is rich with signs that play an important part in our initiation in to the Christian community. Other signs, besides water, used during the rite of baptism include *all of the following except ...*

Sign of the Cross

Oils

A white garment

A candle

A baptismal register

Certainly not all people have access to baptism and the teachings of Christ, yet the Church believes that these people, too, are worthy of the kingdom. Those who sincerely try to do what is right but have no opportunity to learn about Christ have received what we call ...

A baptism in water

An implicit baptism of desire

An explicit baptism of desire

A baptism of blood

It is a doctrine of the Catholic Church that unbaptized infant who die go to “limbo”, a place of eternal natural happiness.

True

False

It is required that a child’s first name be that of a declared saint of the Church.

True

False