

1 Infant Baptism

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2 Scriptural Foundations

- Old Testament: Creation, Flood, Exodus)
- Baptism of Jesus (Lk 3:21-22): "...and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "you are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

3 Scriptural Foundations Cont'd

- Disciples sent to Baptize (Mk 16:15-16)
- Faith of Parents (Mt 9:2, 8:5-13; Mk 9:22-25)
- Baptism of Children (Acts 2:38-39; Eph 6:1; Col 3:20; Acts 16:15; 1 Cor 1:16; Col 2:11-12; Acts 22:16)
- Purified from sin/new creation (Jn 3:3-5; Tit 3:5-7; 1 Pt 3:21; Heb 10:22; 1 Cor 6:11)

4 Effects of Baptism

- New relationship/covenant with Christ and the Church
- Gateway to the other Sacraments
- Gift: cleansed from original sin and adoption as child of God
- Mission: priest, prophet and king of Christ
- Grace given, power of God to do good
- Indelible character of the Paschal Mystery of Christ

5 Symbols of Baptism

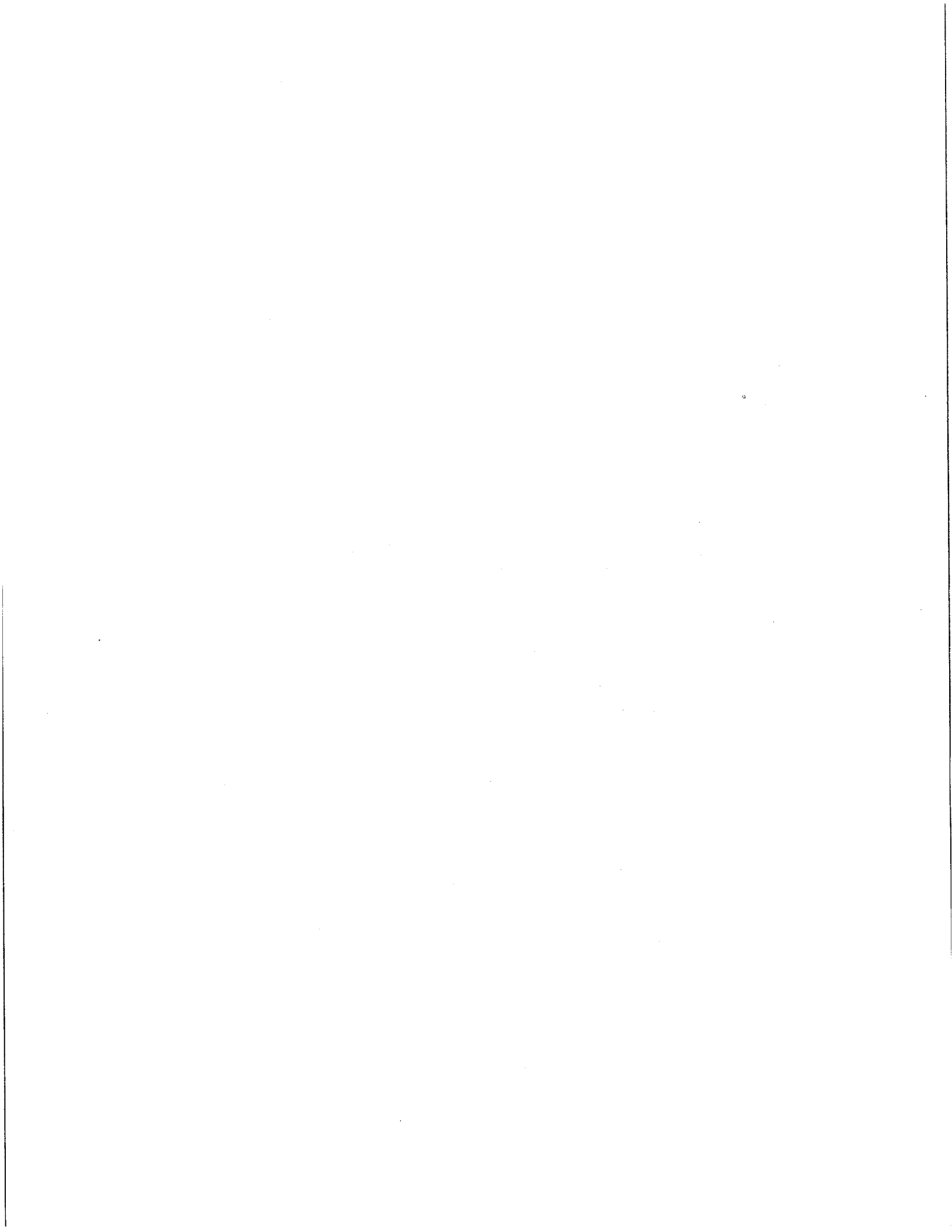
- Baptized by Water and the Holy Spirit
- Chrism Oil: priest/prophet/king
- White garments: purity and new life
- Candle: hope, eternal life of Christ
- Font: Tomb/Womb—Death/Resurrection

6 Rite of Baptism

- Reception of the Child (Door): name, what do you ask of the Church
- Liturgy of the Word (Ambo): readings, homily, intercessions, litany, prayer of exorcism, anointing of catechumen
- Sacrament of Baptism (Font): blessing of water, renunciation of sin/profession of faith, Baptism

7 Rite of Baptism Cont'd

- Explanatory Rites (Font): Anointing with Sacred Chrism, Clothing with white garment, lighted candle, Ephphetha/prayer over ears and mouth
- Conclusion of Rite (Altar): Liturgy of the Eucharist, Lord's prayer, blessing,



Baptism/Confirmation/Anointing of the Sick
RCIA

CCC #1212: "The sacraments of Christian initiation—Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist—lay the foundations of every Christian life. "The sharing in the divine nature given to (all) through the grace of Christ bears a certain likeness to the origin, development and nourishing of natural life. The faithful are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the sacrament of Confirmation, and receive in the Eucharist the food of eternal life...thus they receive in increasing measure the treasures of the divine life and advance toward the perfection of charity."

Baptism

1. Water images: creation, great flood, Red Sea, Jesus in Jordan, side of Christ on cross.
2. Christ—LK 3: 21-22 "...and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "you are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."
3. Fulfill mission of Christ to "go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." MK 16:15-16
4. #1239- signifies and actually brings about death to sin and entry into the life of the Most Holy Trinity through configuration to the Paschal mystery of Christ.
5. Rite: Sign of Cross, Word of God, Exorcism, Profess faith, baptismal water, sacred chrism "signifies the gift of the Holy Spirit to the newly baptized, who has become a Christian, that is, one "anointed" by the Holy Spirit, incorporated into Christ who is anointed priest, prophet and king."(#1241) white garment, candle.
6. Forgiveness of sin, new relationship to Christ and the Church, indelible spiritual mark.

Confirmation

1. CCC #1285: "By confirmation, the baptized are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit. As witnesses of Christ they are more strictly obliged to spread and defend the faith by word and deed." Associated with being "sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit" and Pentecost.
2. Effects of confirmation: rooted more deeply as adopted children, unites us more firmly to Christ, increases gifts of Holy Spirit in us, bond to the Church more perfect, witness to risen Christ.
3. Rite: Intro: "Born again in Christ by baptism, you have become a member of Christ and of his priestly people. Now you are to share in the outpouring of the

Holy Spirit among us, the spirit sent by the Lord upon his apostles at Pentecost and given by them and their successors to the baptized.”

4. Laying on of Hands: All powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by water and the Holy Spirit you freed your daughter/son from sin and gave her/him new life. Send your Holy Spirit upon her/him to be her/his helper and guide. Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill them with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence. We ask this through Christ our Lord.”
5. Anointing with Sacred Chrism: “Be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit.”

Anointing of sick:

1. Christ healer of soul's: Heal the Sick (Mt 10:8) and “Is any among you sick? Let them call for the presbyters of the Church, and let them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise them up, and if they have committed any sins, their sins will be forgiven.” (James 5:14-15)
2. Rite: “Through this Holy Anointing, may the Lord in His love and mercy help you with the Grace of the Holy Spirit. May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up.”
3. Who receives anointing: anoint those in danger of death, serious illness, before surgery, elderly increase in frailty. CCC #1514-15
4. When/Where: Hospital, mass, or as viaticum.
5. Effects: Grace received: unite person with sufferings of Christ, strengthen Christian courage, forgiveness of sins, restoration of health if conducive to salvation of soul, preparation for passing into eternal life.

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1 **The Sacrament of Reconciliation**

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2 **Theological Foundations**

- Confession of our imperfections to both God and the Church.
- Individual complete confession and absolution.
- Even with the presence of the Risen Christ, Sin impacts the whole body of Christ.

3 **Scriptural Foundations**

- 2 Cor 5:18-19 "...and given us the ministry of reconciliation..."
- John 20:19-23 "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them..."
- Mt 16:19 "...whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."
- Also: Rom 5:10, Rev 2:4, Lk 24:47, Rom 6:4-10, 1 Jn 1:8, Lk 11:4

4 **Pastoral Application**

- Confess sins at least once a year unless mortal sin then before receive communion (CCC #1457).
- Sin: turning away from right relationship.
- Mortal Sin: Grave matter, knowledge, freedom/consent. Love conquers sin.
- Loss of the sense of Sin.
- Eucharist brings forgiveness of venial sins.

5 **Rite of Reconciliation**

- Sign of the Cross (how long, state of life)
- Confession of all known sins
- Advice from priest
- Penance given (prayer, self discipline, charity)
- Act of Contrition (Lord have mercy)
- Absolution (...and I absolve you from your sins..., sign of the cross)

6 **Not Sure What to Do?**

- Ask the priest for help...that is what we are there for!
- Confession behind a screen or face to face...kneeling, sitting or standing; your options.

7 **Extraordinary Absolution**

- Perfect Contrition: do not have access to ordinary confession and have perfect love of God and desire to confess to a priest.
- General Absolution: Only by a Bishop for some serious reason. Properly disposed and firm resolution to go to individual confession in the near

future. (Can #916)

8 **Examination of Conscience**

- Worship God alone
- Don't take the Lord's name in vain
- Keep Holy the Sabbath
- Honor father and mother
- Don't kill
- Don't commit adultery
- Don't steal
- Don't bear false witness against neighbor
- Don't covet neighbors wife
- Don't covet neighbors goods

9 **Five Precepts of the Church**

- Attend mass on Sunday's and Holy Days
- Confess and communion at least once a year ("Easter Duty")
- Fast and abstain when appointed
- Tithe
- Obey Marriage Laws of the Church

10 **Spiritual Advice from JP II**

- Learn weaknesses
- Assess Desires
- Discern Work of the Holy Spirit
- Only withhold absolution rarely and when essential
- Reinststate person in joy in community (Eucharist)
- Firmness tempered by gentleness/kindness
- St. Augustine "I wish to heal not accuse"
- Compassion and mercy combined with truth and consistency

Marriage Preparation Retreat 2017

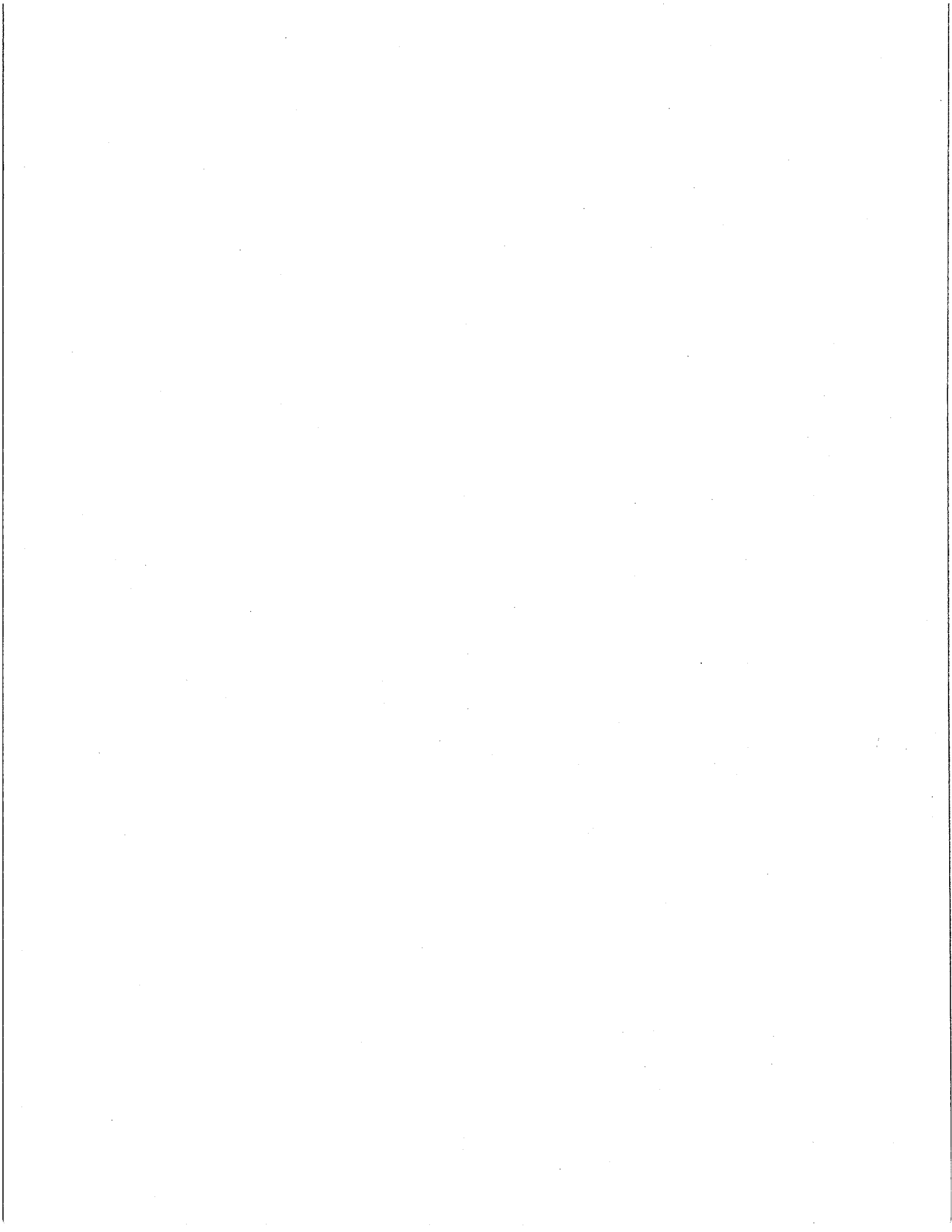
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- I. Sacrament of Marriage:
 1. Sacrament is a mystery of Grace of the ongoing mission of the Risen Christ in the world
 2. Couple are the official ministers of the sacrament
 3. Perfection of baptism/confirmation, nourished and sealed in Eucharist
 4. For Life and Love
 5. Gift and Mission
 6. Holiness and both parties 100% conscious and give consent/vows
 7. Preparation as a type of Lent (prayer, fasting, almsgiving)

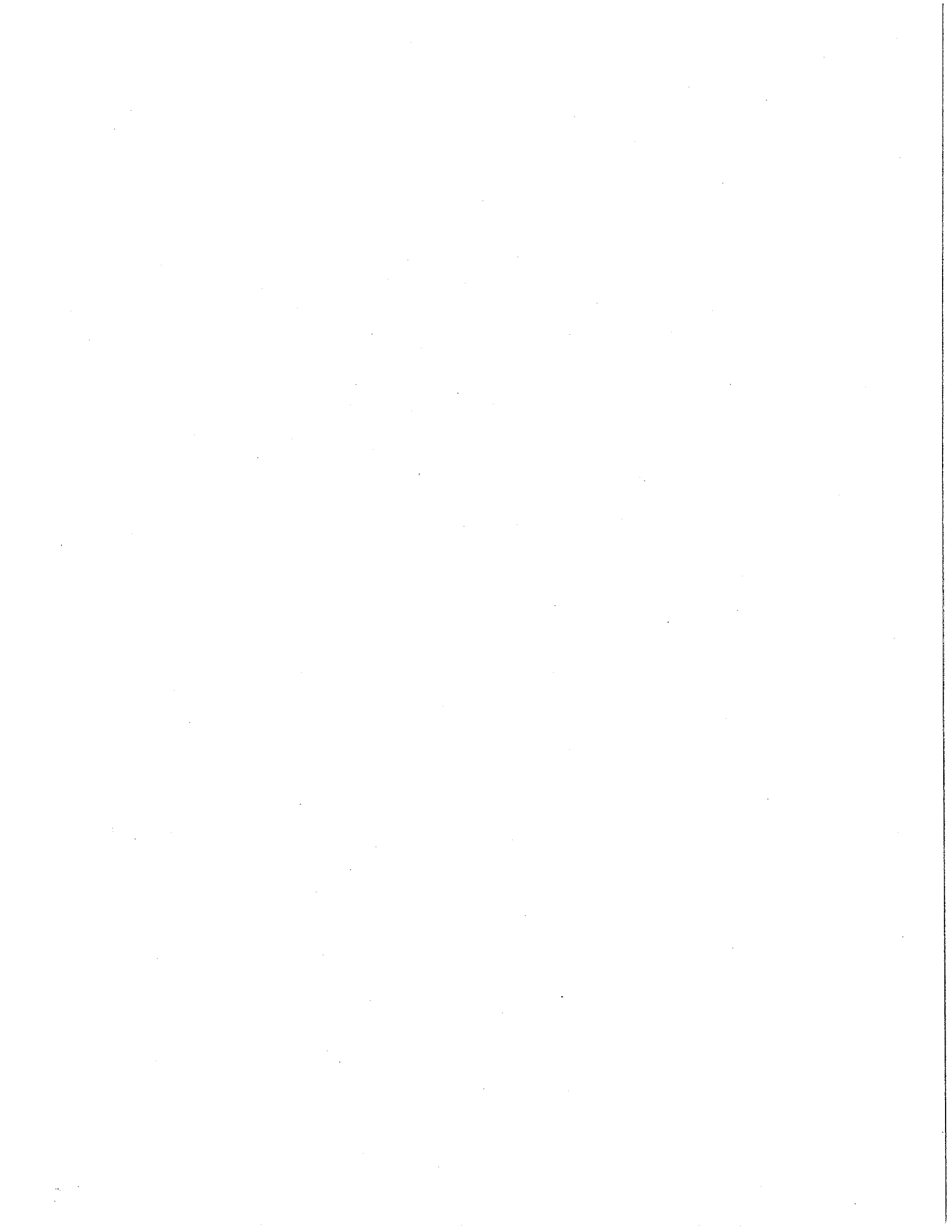
- II. Fr Bryan's top 10 topics for a couple to discuss before marriage
 1. Spirituality/religious practice
 2. Extended Family (time, proximity, benefits, challenges)
 3. Children (how many, when, etc.)
 4. Political views (philosophy of life)
 5. Jobs/Career goals/\$
 6. Location for living/lifestyle qualities
 7. Intimacy/Sexuality (how you express affection)
 8. Friends (how much time to spend with other friends, ones you like/don't like, benefits/challenges)
 9. Recreation (what do you like to do in your freetime? Together or alone?)
 10. Communication style (extrovert, introvert, how do deal with conflict/etc.)

*Note: You should agree in most areas although not necessarily all. Also good in each area to distinguish for yourself between Hopes (ideals but not essentials) and Expectations (non-negotiables).

- III. New Order of Celebrating Matrimony (the "wedding"):
 1. Follow the planning guide as a resource
 2. Rehearsal (should not be longer than an hour, just trying to get basic layout, priest will guide you during the mass).
 3. Entrance: Ideal is groom with parents then bride with parents. Opening hymn (or response) and Gloria so consider group singing.
 4. Readings (your choice), Bridal party will be seated, homily by the priest.
 5. All will be standing (including congregation) for rite of marriage (tell photographer).
 6. Individual response to consent



7. Vows options (best if repeated after presider), holding right hands (include other hand as well)
8. Response after vows.
9. Sprinkling of rings
10. Hymn of praise after vows/rings (sacrament of marriage) encouraged.
11. Prayers of the Faithful may be written by you (include deceased family members?)
12. If mass will kneel during Eucharistic Prayer FYI.
13. Kneel for Nuptial blessing after Our Father
14. Sign of peace to others?
15. What to do after received communion? Be ministers? Bring up gifts?
16. Blessing at end and return to sign documents (civil) in gathering space. Photos to follow if desired. Greet everyone at the reception not after the ceremony.
17. "you may kiss your spouse" after final blessing FYI.
18. Other cultural adaptations?
19. Ministers to be provided (readers, altar servers, greeters, ushers, Eucharistic ministers, musicians?)
20. Other?



Liturgical Ministries Institute: Eucharist I

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* “the Liturgy..., most of all in the divine sacrifice of the Eucharist, is the outstanding means whereby the faithful can express in their lives, and manifest to others, the mystery of Christ and the real nature of the true Church” (Constitution on Sacred Liturgy, n. 2)

** “The Eucharist is the source and summit of the entire Christian life.” (n. 11)

*** “(the Church)...is most manifest and in the most intensive form, it attains the highest actuality of its own nature, when it celebrates the Eucharist.” Rahner, *The Church and the Sacraments* p. 84

I. Biblical Foundations

- A. OT: Exodus 12:1-28 (Passover), Exodus 24: 6-11 (sacrifice/covenant), Exodus 16: 4-36 (mana/meal), Jeremiah 31: 31-34 (new covenant), Isaiah 53:12 (suffering servant), Deuteronomy 8:3.
- B. NT: Mat 14: 13-21 (multiplication of loaves), Jn 2:11 (wine at Cana), Lk 22: 7-20, Mt 26: 17-29, Mk 14: 12-25, 1 Cor 11: 23-26 (institution of Eucharist—see handout), Lk 24: 13-35 (Emmaus), Jn 21:9-14 (meal on seashore with Risen Christ) Jn 6:51-56 (Bread of Life).
- C. Paul in Corinthians earliest 54-56, 1 Cor 10, Acts 2: 42, 46 (presence of Christ and eschatological joy).

II. Names and Descriptions (CCC #1328-1332)

- A. Thanksgiving (Greek *eucharistein* and *eulogein*) of God’s works of creation, redemption, and sanctification.
- B. Lord’s supper: Table; anticipates wedding feast in heavenly Jerusalem (Rev 19:9)
- C. Breaking of Bread: “with/in Christ” in unity, peace, joy.
- D. Assembly: in community, “be what you see, consume what you are”—St. Ambrose, provides identity, reconciliation and divine life.
- E. Memorial: Paschal mystery of Christ, past/present/future
- F. Holy Sacrifice: Altar; spiritual, pure and holy sacrifice fulfilling covenant (Heb 13:15, 1 Pt 2:5)
- G. Holy and Divine Liturgy: source and summit of faith, participating in heavenly liturgy.
- H. Holy Communion: Unite ourselves to Christ and to one another as communion of saints.
- I. Holy Mass (*missa*: sending forth): fulfill God’s will in world.

III. Sacramental Sacrifice: Thanksgiving, Memorial, Presence (CCC #1356-1381)

- A. Thanksgiving to the Father for all we have received.
- B. Memorial of Christ (anamnesis, meal and sacrifice, Paschal mystery: life, death, and resurrection) and of the Church (uniting all parts of the

Church), Christ gives himself TO and FOR the people in loving relationship.

- C. Presence: of the Risen Christ through the work of the Holy Spirit (epiclesis)

IV. The Risen Christ

- A. Being for others as a gift and relationship with a person not a thing. Gift to the Father and to us, we receive him and he receives us. (JP II)
- B. One and unique presence of resurrected Christ who died on the cross and rose from the dead only once. (Aquinas Q.80, III)
- C. We bring our humanity and receive divinity unites us as adopted children of God (water in wine).
- D. Present in assembly, minister, scripture, and in sacrament (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, n. 7)

V. Effects/Fruits of the Eucharist

- A. "Communion with the Body and Blood of Christ increases the communicants union with the Lord, forgives venial sins and preserves from grave sins. Since receiving this sacrament strengthens the bonds of charity between the communicant and Christ, it also reinforces the unity of the Church as the Mystical body of Christ." CCC #1416
- B. "Day by day the liturgy builds up those within the Church into the Lord's holy temple, into a spiritual dwelling for God-an enterprise which will continue until Christ's full stature is achieved" (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy n. 2)
- C. Aquinas: Creates a habit of grace, forgiveness of venial sin (Q. 79) and ecclesial unity (Q. 82). Does for spiritual life what material food does for the body: sustains, gives increase, restores, and gives delight.
- D. Fourfold Finality for thanksgiving, propitiation of sins, obtain grace and adoration. Completes sacramental initiation and ongoing conversion
- E. Church at the Eucharist is structured, listening to the word of God, continuity with mission of Christ, looking forward to the coming of the Kingdom, conscious of sinfulness and repentant (pilgrim), convinced of the power of God's grace, ready to serve others, open to presence of Holy Spirit (McBride p. 830)

VI. Definitions

- A. Sacrament: A sign through which the Church manifests and celebrates its faith and communicates the saving grace of God. An outward sign of an inward Grace.
- B. Real Presence: The real presence of the Risen Christ in the Eucharist, body, blood, soul and divinity.
- C. Transubstantiation: The substance of the bread and wine are changed into the substance of Christ's body and blood at the Eucharist so that only the accidentals remain in the bread and wine.

- D. Body of Christ: A term which designates the human body of Christ, his risen body, his Eucharistic body, and the Church.
- E. Perichoresis: The reciprocal presence/indwelling of the three divine persons in one another.
- F. Eschaton/Parousia: Second Coming of Christ, Fulfillment of God's plan.
- G. Grace: Self-communication or presence of God.
- H. Matter and Form: Bread and Wine and Words used in prayer
- I. Kenosis; Self-emptying of Christ even to death for us.
- J. Koinonia: Community or fellowship produced by the Holy Spirit.
- K. Lex orandi, lex credendi: The law of praying is the law of believing.
What we pray is what we believe.
- L. Liturgy: Official public worship of the Church
- M. Orthodoxy: "right praise"
- N. Orthopraxy: "right practice of justice"

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MATTHEW 26

When it was evening

he was at table
with the Twelve.
And as
they were eating....

Now as they were
eating, Jesus,
having taken bread
and pronouncing
the blessing,
broke [it]
and having given [it]
to the disciples, said:

"Take, eat,
this is my body."

And, having taken
a cup and
having given thanks,
he gave [it] to them,
saying:

"Drink of it, all of you,
for this is
my blood
of the covenant
which is shed
for the multitude
for the forgiveness
of sins.

I tell you,
henceforth I shall not
drink again of this
fruit of the vine until
that day when I shall
drink it new with you
in the
kingdom of my
Father."

MARK 14

And when it was
evening he comes
with the Twelve.
And as
they were at table
and were eating....

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the blessing,
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and said:

"Take,
this is my body."

And, having taken
a cup,
having given thanks,
he gave [it] to them;
and they all drank
of it.

And he said to them:

"This is
my blood
of the covenant
which is shed
for the multitude.

Truly, I tell you,
never more shall I
drink of the fruit of the
vine until that day
when I shall drink it
new in the kingdom of
God."

LUKE 22

And when the hour
came he reclined at
table and the apostles
with him. And he said
to them: "I have great
desired to eat this
Passover with you
before I suffer. For I
tell you that I shall
never eat it again until
it is fulfilled, in the
kingdom of God."
And, having accepted
a cup, having given
thanks, he said:
"Take this and share
it among you.
For I tell you that I
shall not drink
henceforth of the fruit
of the vine until the
reign of God comes."

And
having taken bread,
having given thanks,
he broke [it]
and gave [it] to them,
saying:

"This is my body
which is given
for you.
Do this
in memory of me."

And the cup likewise
after the supper,
saying:

"This cup is
the new covenant
in my blood
which is shed
for you."

1 COR. 11

On the night he was
betrayed
the Lord Jesus
took bread
and, having given
thanks,
broke [it]
and said:

"This is my body
which is
for you.
Do this
in memory of me."

Likewise also the cup
after the supper,
saying:

"This cup is
the new covenant
in my blood.
Do this, each time
that you drink, in
memory of me."

For each time that
you eat this bread
and drink this cup,
you proclaim the
death of the Lord until
he comes.