

The Sacraments: Baptism and Confirmation

Part One: The Role of the Sacraments in Salvation

1. Last week, several speakers in the video said our souls need to be in a certain condition if we are to go to heaven when we die. What is that condition?

2. What kind of grace do we have in our souls when we are in a state of “friendship with God”? See CCC ¶¶ 1999–2000.

3. When we are created, we do not have this kind of grace in our souls. How do we describe the state of our souls when God creates us? See CCC ¶¶ 404–05.

4. What is the Catechism definition of *original sin*? CCC ¶ 405.

5. What is the Catechism definition of a *sacrament*? See CCC ¶ 1131, GLOSSARY.

6. What are the seven sacraments? CCC ¶ 1210.
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7. How do we receive the gift of sanctifying grace for the very first time? CCC ¶ 1266.

8. What are three principal effects of Baptism? CCC ¶¶ 1266, 1263, 1267.

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9. What do we call the lingering inclination to commit actual sins that lingers on even after Baptism heals us of original sin? CCC ¶ 205, GLOSSARY.

10. What kind of sin destroys sanctifying grace and puts us in danger of going to hell? CCC ¶¶ 1855, 1861, GLOSSARY.

11. A sin is any deliberate thought, word, deed, or omission contrary to the eternal law of God. CCC ¶ 1871, GLOSSARY. What three additional elements must be present to make a sin so serious as to make it a *mortal* sin? CCC ¶¶ 1857-60.

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12. What do we call a sin that is missing one or more of these three elements? CCC ¶ 1862.

13. How does a person escape from the state of mortal sin and regain the gift of sanctifying grace? CCC ¶ 1856.

Part Two: Baptism and Confirmation

14. What are the three essential components of every sacrament? See Rev. James Socias, *The Sacraments: Source of Our Life in Christ* 15–16 (Midwest Theological Forum 2009).

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15. What are the three essential components of the sacrament of Baptism? Socias, *supra*, at 35–37.

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16. What are three principal effects of Baptism? CCC ¶¶ 1266, 1263, 1267; see also Socias, *supra*, at 33.

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17. Why do Catholics practice Baptism, Scripturally speaking?

Mark 1:4–11 (The Baptism of Jesus)

John 3: 1–5 (Nicodemus)

Matthew 28:16–20. (The Commissioning of the Disciples)

18. Is Baptism necessary for salvation? CCC ¶¶ 1257, 1260–1261.

19. What are the three kinds of Baptism? CCC ¶¶ 1257–1261.

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20. Can Baptism be repeated? CCC ¶¶ 1272–1274.

21. Why does the Church practice infant baptism? CCC ¶¶ 1250–1252.

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22. What are two traditional shapes for baptismal fonts?

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23. Aside from water, what are some symbols commonly used in Catholic Baptisms?

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24. The baptismal name. “Parents, sponsors, and the pastor should take care that a name foreign to Christian sensibility is not given.” CODE OF CANON LAW (CCL) 855. Thus, a saint’s name is always a safe choice!

25. Who is the ordinary minister of Baptism, and what is the exception? CCC ¶ 1256.

26. What is the role of a godparent? CCL 872.

27. What are the requirements to be eligible to be a godparent? CCL 874 § 1.

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28. Can a non-Catholic serve as a godparent? CCL 874 § 2.

29. What are the three essential components for the sacrament of Confirmation? CCC ¶¶ 1300, 1313; *Socias, supra*, at 61.

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30. Why do we celebrate Confirmation as a sacrament?

1) Instituted at Pentecost.

2) Illustrated at Acts 8:14-17.

31. Who can and should serve as a Confirmation sponsor? CCL 893; CCC ¶ 1311.

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32. How does one go about choosing a Confirmation name? *Socias, supra*, at 62.

33. Can Confirmation be repeated? CCC ¶ 1317.

34. What are some of the effects of Confirmation? CCC ¶ 1303.

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35. What are the gifts of the Holy Spirit? CCC GLOSSARY; Isaiah 11:1-3.

1) Wisdom

2) Understanding

3) Knowledge

4) Counsel

5) Piety

6) Fortitude

7) Fear of the Lord