

Deacon's Beacons

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And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."
Acts 2:38

Here is a point of contention or disagreement in the Scriptures. In Acts, we hear we are to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. But in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus tells His disciples to baptize in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. In fact, unless the latter formula is used, the Catholic Church does not recognize the baptism as valid. It is true that most Christian denominations do in fact baptize the same way that we do.

We celebrate Pentecost on Sunday, the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the early Church and the official end of the Easter season.

Resurrexit sicut dixit!

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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