

Baptism

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A History of Baptism

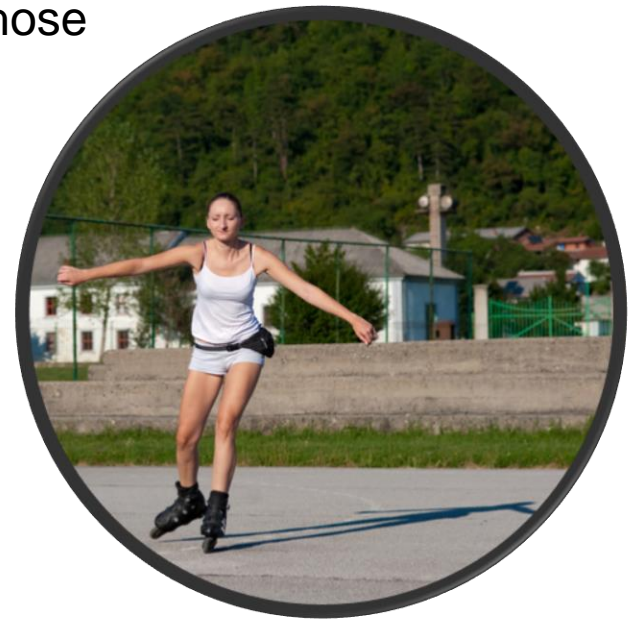
- Scriptural references to water and God's saving power
- Jesus is baptized and calls his disciples to baptize.
- Catechumenate
- Infant Baptism



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Forgiveness of Sins

- What qualities would you expect to see in those who know they have been forgiven?
- What is one thing you could do in response to God's forgiveness?



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Born into a New Life

- What are some ways Christians can remind themselves that they now belong to Christ?
- What one thing could you do to remind yourself that you belong to Christ?



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Receive the Holy Spirit

- What are some qualities you would expect to see in someone who has received the Holy Spirit?
- What one quality could you ask the Holy Spirit to develop in you?



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Baptism Is Necessary for Salvation

- Salvation: the restoration of our relationship with God as he intended it to be
- Our relationship with God was damaged by Original Sin.
- Baptism unites us with God and makes us one family again in the Church.



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Baptism in Your Parish

- What is your favorite part of the baptismal ritual?
- How do the symbols and words help you to understand the meaning of Baptism?



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The faithful are born anew
by Baptism, strengthened
by the sacrament of
Confirmation, and receive
in the Eucharist the food
of eternal life...

- *Pope Paul VI,*
Divinae consortium naturae

