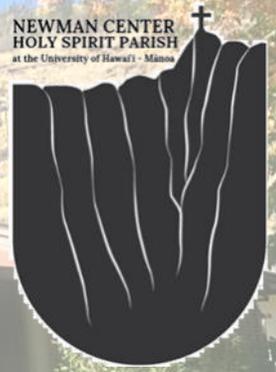


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JANUARY 9, 2022

The Baptism of the Lord

John said, "I am baptizing you with water,
but one mightier than I is coming.

I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals."

~ Luke 3:16

Aloha! Welcome!

We are the Catholic Center and Campus Ministry at the University of Hawai'i, and under the Catholic Diocese of Honolulu, serving parishioners, staff, faculty, and students alike that stimulates critical thinking and dialogue about issues that challenge Christian living and commits to a living faith that practices and promotes justice.

We are a spirit-filled and welcoming community that proclaims and celebrates the Good News through liturgy, the sacraments, faith sharing, outreach, and social action. As the Roman Catholic Community of the University of Hawai'i, we offer opportunities for life-long faith development to all who choose to join us. We invite the contribution of gifts in stewardship and evangelism, and challenge one another in the same manner that Jesus challenges us: to love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind and to love your neighbor as yourself.

Come journey with us!

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We welcome your call and are here to serve you! Contact the Parish Office to speak with us or make an appointment. We look forward to hearing from you!

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9:00am to 5:00pm
(except Diocesan Holidays)
Newman Center may remain open till evening programs conclude

Saturday and Sunday:
Open during Mass times and for activities as needed.

From the Desk of the Pastor

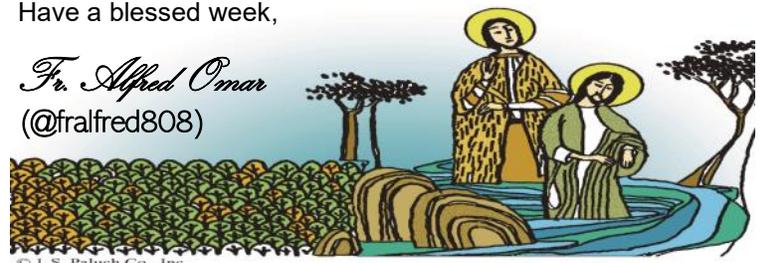
"The Lord will bless his people with peace."



Merry last weekend of the Season of Christmas! Last weekend we celebrated God's Epiphany in the Manger at Bethlehem and this weekend we celebrate the Baptism of the 30-year-old Jesus at the Jordan River by John the Baptist. The liturgy last weekend revealed the mystery of God's plan, that in Jesus all people, symbolized in the Magi, have been made co-heirs to the blessings promised to the Jewish people. This weekend, we are shown how we claim our inheritance: namely, baptism. The baptism of Jesus is about consecrating the waters in which we entered at our baptisms. His baptism is not only a foreshadowing of the Paschal event, the death and resurrection of Jesus, but also a foreshadowing the gateway for the participation in the divine life of God. Jesus took upon himself the sins of humanity and plunged into the cleansing waters of the Jordan because "in a world marked by sin, then, this Yes to the entire will of God also expresses solidarity with men (and women), who have incurred guilt but yearn for righteousness." Only on the cross do we see the whole mission of Jesus complete, and we understand who Jesus really is. As Jesus emerged from the waters of the Jordan, the voice of God said, "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased." Here, the Trinity is on full display as Jesus begins his public ministry. The mystery of the incarnation is the very act of God entering into humanity and participates in it fully, unto death. Through Jesus, he inaugurates the way to eternal life for us. Our baptism is so much more than the forgiveness of Original Sin but also the moment the Holy Spirit comes down upon us and indwells. Let us be reminded this weekend of the importance of our own baptism and what that entails!

Have a blessed week,

Fr. Alfred Omar
(@fralfred808)



Important Community Notices

- Due to current City Orders, please wear your mask at all times during the Mass and while in the Newman Center. If you are feeling ill or are awaiting a COVID-19 Test Result, please stay home. Thank you for your cooperation!
- For those parishioners who would like a dispensation from the Sunday Obligation due to the surge in covid-19 cases, please contact Fr. Alfred Omar.
- Sunday Student Dinner Resumes 1/9 6pm
- RCIA Sessions Resumes 1/15 3pm

Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass (<i>Tuesday-Friday</i>)	12:10PM
Sunday Mass (<i>Saturday Evening Anticipated</i>)	5:00PM 9:00AM 11:00AM (<i>Student –Led Mass</i>) 5:00PM

Sacramental Information

Reconciliation By Appointment

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule.

Baptism By Request

Please contact Fr. Alfred Omar at least one month before the date desired for the Baptism.

Funerals At Need

Funerals and the Rite of Christian Burial are made in conjunction with the Mortuary of your choosing. Please contact the Parish Office prior to finalizing a date with the mortuary.

Holy Matrimony By Request

Couples need to contact Fr. Alfred Omar at least eight months prior to your desired wedding date to begin the marriage preparation required by the Diocese of Honolulu.

Holy Orders—Religious Life By Call

Is God calling you to the Priesthood, Diaconate, or Religious Life? God doesn't call the qualified. He qualifies the called. Call us today to setup a discussion with our Pastor where you can continue discerning God's call.

Holy Communion Ongoing

Programs are available for those who have not yet received their First Eucharist. Please contact our Parish Office for more information.

Confirmation Ongoing

Programs are available for those who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please contact our Parish Office for more information.

Anointing of the Sick By Request

If you or someone you know are in need of receiving the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call our parish office to schedule

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Ongoing

If you or someone you know are have not yet been baptized and are interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Faith, please call our parish office to learn more about the RCIA,

The Word of the Lord Weekly

Today's Readings

First Reading — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) or *Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11*.

Psalm — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) or *Psalm 104*.

Second Reading — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) or *Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7*.

Gospel — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22)

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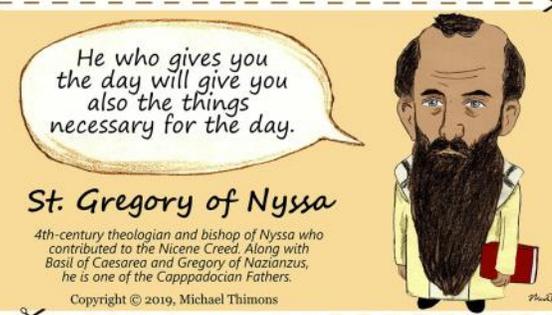
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19; Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday:	1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday:	1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45
Friday:	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday:	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday:	First Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday:	St. Hilary
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

saint snippets



He who gives you the day will give you also the things necessary for the day.

St. Gregory of Nyssa

4th-century theologian and bishop of Nyssa who contributed to the Nicene Creed. Along with Basil of Caesarea and Gregory of Nazianzus, he is one of the Cappadocian Fathers.

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January 10

BAPTISMAL DEATH AND RESURRECTION

As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, we also honor our own baptism as our initiation into the Christian life and community. In the Gospel, the baptism of Jesus, with his immersion and then emergence from the water, points to his later submission to God at his death, and his emergence from the grave at his resurrection. This pattern of death and resurrection is our path too, as followers of Jesus. Throughout life, often in small ways, we learn to surrender our limited and self-centered agendas. This surrender often feels like death. The sacrament of Baptism ritually enacts this pattern to remind us of Jesus' death and resurrection, so that we too might embrace the deaths and resurrections of our own lives. As Jesus emerged from the water, he encountered his Father and the Holy Spirit. Like Jesus, we can know we are God's beloved, empowered by the Spirit.

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Nourishing Our Faith

Prayer On the Go

<https://pray-as-you-go.org/>
<https://www.sacredspace.ie/>

Daily Scripture and Reflections:

<https://www.dailyscripture.net/daily-meditation/>

Weekly Essays on Ignatian Spirituality by

Fr. Randy Roche, SJ:

<https://mission.lmu.edu/cis/spiritualessays>

Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom)

Monday Nights at 6:30 pm. 30 minutes of silence, followed by Scripture and Sharing. For more information, contact June Naughton (808) 524-2718.

Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

Tithes and Offerings:

(1-1-2022 - 1/2/2022) \$ 7,803.00

Online Giving:

Christmas Eve & Day Mass: \$ 1,700.00

May we continue to receive God's gifts gratefully, manage them responsibly, and share them joyfully. Mahalo for your generosity!

Upcoming Second Collections:

Church in Latin America & Black & Indian Missions 01/22 & 01/23

Augustine Educational Foundation 02/12 & 02/13

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Giving online is safe and easy using our secured online platform, by visiting WeShare at:

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Thank you, for your continued support of our parish as we strive to meet the needs of our faith community!

THE FIVE EFFECTS OF BAPTISM



We are granted justification or sanctifying grace

When we're baptised, our original sin is forgiven and, in the case of adults, personal sins.



We receive the three theological virtues

Faith, hope and charity, the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the other virtues are received.



We receive the sacramental grace

It offers the necessary help to live a Christian life. It makes us capable of believing in God, of waiting on Him and loving Him.



A sacramental character is imprinted in us

It is an indelible spiritual mark that is imprinted during Baptism. It makes us part of the Church, Body of Christ.



It makes us part of the common priesthood of the faithful

Participation is in two forms: active, through evangelization and sanctifying all temporal realities and passive, by receiving the other sacraments.

THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS



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STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Generous and Loving Creator, you have called us to Malama i ka Makana (Cherish the Gift).

As disciples of your Son, we ask that your Spirit open our minds and hearts to more deeply appreciate your countless blessings. Increase your transforming spirit within us, so as to nurture our call to stewardship as a way of life marked always by faith-filled prayer, service to others and generous giving.

With the kokua of St. Marianne and St. Damien, teach us to be good stewards so we may return a hundred-fold the makana entrusted to us.

We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's reading from the Gospel of Luke we hear the proclamation of the baptism of Jesus with "all the people." Indeed, "heaven was opened," and the Father announced his special favor. Whenever we partake of the body and blood of Christ, heed his call in our daily lives, share his Good News, become instruments of his transforming justice and peace, heaven is opened to us, and through the Holy Spirit, the Lord announces his special favor on us as well. A good stewardship reflection this week might be this: How, or in what ways, have we personally experienced God's special favor in our lives?

STEWARDSHIP

SHARING THE GIFTS WE HAVE



RED MASS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF OUR LADY OF PEACE
Downtown Honolulu (1184 Bishop Street, Honolulu, HI 96813)

The Red Mass has been a tradition since 1955 for government officials and the community to gather at the beginning of the Legislative Session to pray together.



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9th Annual

Saint Marianne Cope
Walk and Wellness Fair

Saturday, January 22, 2022
7:30 AM • Virtual Event



Enjoy our virtual event from wherever you are! St. Francis Healthcare System invites you to join hundreds of walkers in raising awareness and funds for our programs and services for Hawaii's families. We'll be walking apart yet fundraising together for the same cause: **Creating healthy communities in Hawaii**

Mahalo to presenting sponsors Ohana Pacific Health, The Ching Villas and D. Suehiro Electric Inc. and to our walk co-chairs **Richard Kishaba**, President, Ohana Pacific Health; **Daryl Suehiro**, President, D. Suehiro Electric, Inc.; and **Jerry Correa**, President & CEO, St. Francis Healthcare System.



Sign up to participate and make a \$50 gift to receive the official event T-shirt and a breakfast bento for event day pick-up at Ho'okupu Center at Kewalo Basin Harbor.

All participants have a chance to win a \$500 Hawaiian Airlines voucher!



Scan the QR code or visit stfranchishawaii.org to register and make a gift!

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Family Connection

Every family has a unique identity that is defined by the behaviors, attitudes, and expectations that govern a family's daily life. This identity is influenced by the family history of the parents, but each family's expression of this history is unique. In today's Gospel, we learn that Jesus' behavior, attitudes, and expectations were governed by his identity as God's beloved Son. In our Baptism, we were made children of this same heavenly Father. This identity as members of the family of God, and as brothers and sisters of Jesus, also shapes our family's daily life.

As you gather as a family, identify some of the expectations and behaviors that govern your family life by answering the question, "What are some of the things that make our family life unique?" Celebrate these things about your family life. Read today's Gospel, Luke 3:15-16,21-22. Observe that Jesus' identity as the Beloved Son of the Father governed his behaviors, attitudes, and expectations. Recall that at our Baptism we were made children of this same heavenly Father. How does this identity as a member of the family of God govern and shape our family life? Conclude in prayer together that we will remain faithful to our baptismal identity as children of God and as brothers or sisters of Jesus. Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer.

Breaking Open the Word

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In today's Gospel, as in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' baptism, we hear John the Baptist address the confusion of the people who thought that John might be the Messiah. In response, John contrasts the baptism that he performs with the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that someone will come and baptize with the Holy Spirit. The type of baptism that John performed was not yet a Christian Baptism; it was a preparation for Christian Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received. The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, it was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. The Evangelists Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. Compare this to Matthew's Gospel in which the voice from heaven speaks to everyone. In Luke, however, the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus during his time of prayer after his baptism. Through his Gospel, Luke will show Jesus to be a person of prayer who withdraws regularly from the crowds and his disciples to pray to his Father. The baptism of Jesus is considered a manifestation of God in Jesus, another "epiphany." On this, the last day of the Christmas season, our Gospel reveals to us Jesus' relation to God: the son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. In Luke's Gospel, all three members of the Trinity are manifested here: God the Father in the voice, the Holy Spirit descending, and Jesus the Son. At the beginning of his Gospel, Luke is communicating to us important information about the identity of Jesus. In the verses that follow, Luke lists the genealogy of Jesus, tracing Jesus' ancestry back to the first person, Adam, who is also identified as the son of God. We, the children of Adam and Eve, are again made children of God through Baptism.

Around the Parish

Last weekend we were excited to welcome two new members to the catholic faith through the Rite of Baptism!

Welcome, **Lilinoe Woodward** and **Esme Lucas**!

Congratulations to their parents and Godparents!

Please include them in your prayers as they begin this journey of faith with their children.



New to Newman Center - Holy Spirit Parish?

Aloha! E Komo Mai!

We welcome you to your new spiritual home and are delighted to have you join our parish community!

At Newman Center - Holy Spirit Parish, we know that we are all individual parts of the mystical Body of Christ. Working together, we find great joy in doing God's work here on earth. We invite and encourage you to join us as we pray, work and fellowship together.

Please contact the Parish Office to register. Welcome!



Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

A voice came from heaven,
"You are my beloved Son; with you ...

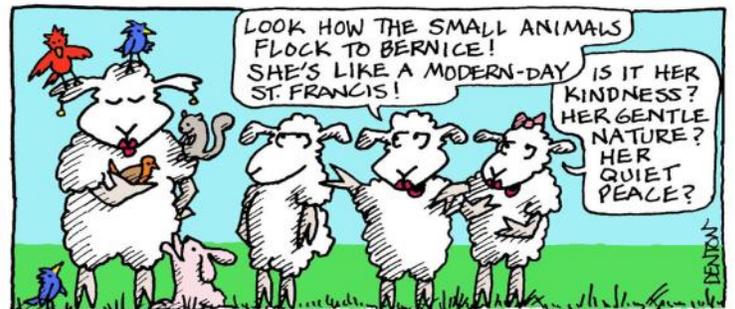
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Answer: *I am well pleased.*

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"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased."

Sheepish Question:

Although we are baptized in water—not birdseed—how does my baptism with Christ empower me to live in a way that pleases God?



Pray

Prayer that the Holy Name of Jesus will be your last word

Philip Kosloski - published on 01/03/22

Ask God for the grace to utter his Holy Name before parting from this world.

The Holy Name of Jesus is a powerful name, a name that refers to the second Person of the Holy Trinity, God himself.

Many saints died saying his name, and it was often viewed as the most perfect way to pass from this life to the next.

Here is a prayer from a 19th-century prayer book that asks God for the grace to say his Holy Name before your final breath is taken.

May the Adorable Name of Jesus
be the daily music of my soul and the seal of my heart,
and when in the agony and cold sweat of death,
I give the last look for mercy,
may the parting sigh of my soul be JESUS.
Amen, sweet Jesus, Amen.

Grow

How to become a more generous person this year

Zoe Romanowsky - published on 01/03/22

You may not be into making New Years' resolutions, but I bet you could use some better habits. We all could. When we build better habits we become better people. And one of the most life-changing habits we can commit to is becoming more generous.

Generosity is about far more than giving away money and possessions — it's about giving more of yourself — in any number of ways. It's an attitude and a disposition of the heart.

Being generous is at the core of being human, and it is more central to building up the culture than we realize. In his book, *The Generosity Habit* best-selling author Matthew Kelly says that "each act of generosity changes the course of someone's life and therefore the unfolding of human history."

At a time when fear and isolation have had such an upper hand in life, choosing to be generous may be one of the best ways to begin to heal ourselves and our communities.

So here are some ways to become a more generous person this year...

Do something generous every day

If you make a commitment to doing one intentional generous thing every day, it will become a habit of being. Make it small, make it easy — a comment, a gesture, a loving act.

Offer words that build up others

Make a point to compliment your loved ones more often, to speak with a gentle tone, and to offer encouragement and words of gratitude.

Make it easier to give consistently

Supporting organizations, people, and causes we believe in is easier when we set it up in advance. Keeping cash on hand when out and about, and setting up automatic payments can go along way in making giving stress-free. Also, no amount is too small.

Prioritize relationships

How can you be a more generous spouse, friend, daughter or son, colleague, neighbor? Perhaps it's by giving more time to listen, paying more attention, or reaching out to people you don't see regularly.

Be friendlier and remember your manners

It doesn't take much effort to smile more, to wave to someone, to let someone go in front of you, to remember basic manners of "please," "thank you," and "excuse me." There are so many opportunities when we're out and about to make small gestures that have big effects.

Notice who needs help

Who is struggling in your life? It may be the person you're closest to, or it may be a neighbor, someone you know at Church, or a person you see on the street. Acknowledging a person's need is sometimes all it takes, and other times there may be something tangible you can actually do to help.

Get involved

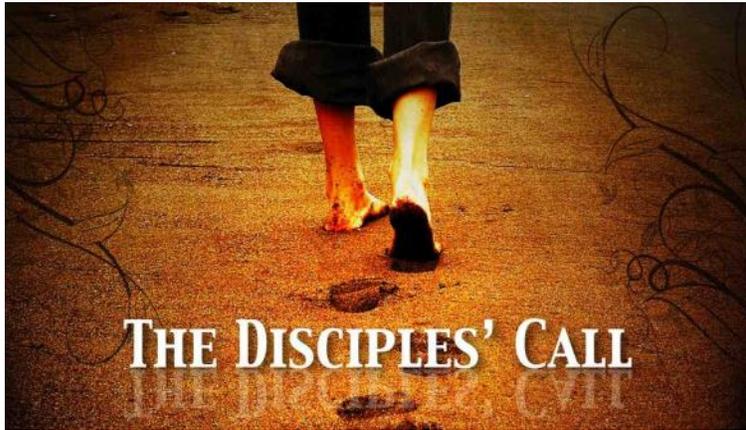
Maybe you do too much already and this one is not for you. But for many of us, getting involved in something is a great way to be more generous. Whether it's a neighborhood association, a school, group, a ministry at church, or something online — lend your presence and support somewhere and you'll find that you receive more than you give.

There are a hundred ways to be more generous. Each of us is creative enough to come up with the specific ways that make sense in our own lives. If we prioritize generosity we will come to find that our year has been a lot more meaningful and fruitful, and who doesn't want that?



Reflect

A Personal Reflection on Baptism By Anita



“We can believe what we choose. We are answerable for what we choose to believe.” – St. John Henry Newman

Often as a child, I struggled with my name. Fay – three letters, one syllable. Why couldn't my parents give me a normal/common name like Mary or Jennifer. When people would ask me my name, I would always hesitate and whisper it softly so I wouldn't need to say it aloud. I look back now and think of how silly I was in not accepting the name given to me. As an adult, I grew to appreciate the uniqueness of my name.

Today we celebrate the Baptism of our Lord, the moment when God unites heaven and earth in declaring that Jesus is His Beloved Son, with whom He is well pleased (Luke 3:22). The voice of God from heaven speaks of this to all present at that moment. God affirms that Jesus is His Son. And God is His Father. Do we believe this in our hearts and minds? Are we aware that God sent His Son to save us? God is essentially telling us that we all belong to Him. We have been identified as His children. We become members of God's family. We become brothers and sisters in Christ. Therefore, we are called by our name to be faithful to our Father, to live our lives like Jesus our brother, and to allow the Holy Spirit to help in doing so.

We welcome back our students from their break who will be the new Spring semester this week. We resume our Sunday Student-led Mass (Sundays, 5pm) and Take-out Dinner (Sundays, 6pm), and our Wednesday STREAM Night programming (Wednesdays, 6pm) all this week. Mahalo to our parishioners for your continued love, prayers and support for our campus ministry and our students. We continue to pray for our benefactors and supporters of our mission and vision here at the Newman Center. Let us continue to pray for an end to this pandemic and to keep all of us safe and healthy this new 2022 year!

Blessing and peace to you and your ohana!
St. John Henry Newman, pray for us! - Fay C. Pabo (@fa_jo_pabo)

What I've learnt through this experience is that religious sacraments are sacred for life. The essence of the Holy Spirit received during Baptism is with us throughout our life. At times we may not connect deeply with this presence, but through receiving the Holy sacrament of Baptism, the Holy Spirit will always remain in us.

The theme of baptism is all about the cleansing of sin, for us to resist temptation and evil, to find God and rejoice in being good and sharing love. Through the sacraments we are reminded that even though the world is filled with temptations and wrong doings, we are instilled with the knowledge of goodness and happiness through the Holy Spirit and Christ. We must not despair in the act of sin, as being human is to be sinful, however, its how we repent, forgive and improve that keeps the Holy Spirit alive within us.

Also the baptismal ceremony is filled with sacred and meaningful symbols that adds to the essence of the sacred presence received during baptism. Being baptised as a baby I didn't get to appreciate the true meaning of baptism or feel the significance of the event. Furthermore, Everything about the ceremony is meaningful, from the priest clothes to the words said and hymns sung, which encapsulates the sacramentality of the event.

Renewal Of Baptismal Promises

V. Do you reject Satan?
R. I do.

V. And all his works?
R. I do.

V. And all his empty promises?
R. I do.

V. Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth?
R. I do.

V. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary was crucified, died, and was buried, rose from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father?
R. I do.

V. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?
R. I do.

V. God, the all-powerful Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and forgiven all our sins. May he also keep us faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ for ever and ever.
R. Amen.