### THE ORDER FOR THE BAPTISM OF AN INFANT

The clean Baptismal Font is filled with clear water. Members of the congregation may light hand candles. The Priest, with acolytes and other clergy, the Cross and candles going before, and the thurible and incense, and with the phials of Chrism and Oil of Catechumens, comes to the font, and there, or before the Altar of the Baptistery, says the Litanies.

#### LITANY OF THE SAINTS

Priest: Kyrie eleison.

Christe e-le-i-son. Kyrie eleison.

O Christ, hear us. O Christ, graciously hear us.

O God the Father of heaven, have mercy upon us. O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us.

O God the Holy Ghost, have mercy upon us.

Holy Trinity, one God, have mercy upon us.

Holy Mary, pray for us.

Holy Mother of God, pray... Holy Virgin of virgins, prav... St.

Michael, pray... St. Gabriel, pray... St. Raphael, pray... All ye holy Angels and Archangels, pray... All ye holy orders of blessed Spirits, pray... St. John the Baptist, pray... St. Joseph, pray... All ye holy Patriarchs and Prophets, pray... St. Peter, pray... St. Paul, pray... St. Andrew, pray... St. James, pray... St. John, pray... St. Thomas, pray... St. James, pray... St. Philip, pray... St. Bartholomew, pray... St. Matthew, pray... St. Simon, pray... St. Jude, pray... St. Matthias, pray... St. Baranabas, pray... St. Luke, pray... St. Mark, pray... All ye holy Apostles and Evangelists, **pray...** All ye holy Disicples of the Lord, **pray...** All ye holy Innocents, **pray...** St. Stephen, **pray...** St. Laurence, pray... St. Vincent, pray... St. Fabian and St. Sebastian, pray... St. John and St. Paul, pray... St. Cosmas and St. Damian, pray... St. Gervase and St. Protase, **pray...** All ye holy Martyrs, **pray...** St. Silvester, pray... St. Gregory, pray... St. Ambrose, pray... St. Augustine, pray... St. Jerome, pray... St. Martin, pray... St. Nicholas, **pray...** All ye holy Bishops and Confessors, **pray...** All ye holy Doctors, pray... St. Anthony, pray... St. Benedict, **pray...** All ye holy Priest and Levites, **pray...** All ye holy Monks and Hermits, pray... St. Mary Magdalen, pray... St. Agatha, pray... St. Lucy, pray... St. Agnes, pray... St. Cecilia, pray... St. Catherine, pray... St. Anastasia, pray... All ye holy Virgins and Widows, pray...

All ye holy men and women, Saints of God, intercede for us.

Be thou merciful, spare us, O Lord.

Be thou merciful. graciously hear us. O Lord.

## Whatth Augahraham

From all e-vil, deliver us, O Lord.
Be thou merciful, spare us, O Lord.
Be thou merciful, graciously hear us, O Lord.

From all evil, deliver us, O Lord.

From all sin, deliver... From thy wrath, deliver... From sudden and unprepared death, deliver... From the crafts of the devil, deliver... From anger, hatred, and all uncharitableness, deliver... From the spirit of uncleanness, deliver... From lightning and tempest, deliver... From the scourage of earthquake, deliver... From pestilence, famine, and war, deliver... From everlasting death, deliver... Through the mystery of thy holy Incarnation, deliver... Through thy Baptism and holy fasting, deliver... Through thy Baptism and holy fasting, deliver... Through thy Cross and Passion, deliver... Through thy Death and Burial, deliver... Through thy holy Resurrection, deliver... Through thy wonderful Ascension, deliver... Through the coming of the Holy Ghost the Paraclete, deliver... In the day of judgement, deliver...

# We sinners. beseech thee to hear us.

Whankankagaijankhikagkand ad Eurha

That thou wouldest spare us, we beseech thee to hear us.

That thou wouldest pardon us, **we beseech...** That it may please thee to bring us to true repentance, **we beseech...** That it may please thee to govern and preserve thy holy Church, **we beseech...** That it may please thee to preserve our Apostolic lord and all orders of the Church in holy religion, **we beseech...** That it may

please thee to humble the enemies of holy Church, we beseech...

That it may please thee to give unto Christian kings and rulers peace and true concord, we beseech... That it may please thee to grant to all the Christian people peace and unity, we beseech...

That it may please thee to recall such as do err into the unity of the Church, and to bring all unbelievers into the light of the Gospel, we beseech... That it may please thee to strengthen, and preserve us in thy holy service, we beseech... That thou wouldest lift up our minds unto heavenly desires, we beseech... That thou wouldest reward all our benefactors with everlasting blessings, we beseech... That thou wouldest deliver our souls, and the souls of our brethren, kinsfolk, and benefactors, from eternal damnation, we beseech... That it may please thee to give and preserve the fruits of the earth, we beseech... That it may please thee to grant unto all the faithful departed # rest eternal, we beseech...

The Priest shall say and repeat a second time the following verse:

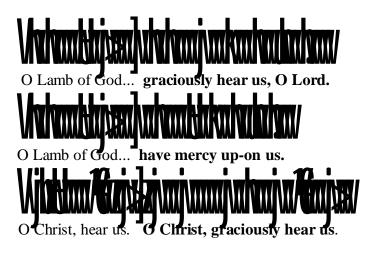
That thou wouldest vouchsafe to ble ss and consescrate this Font for the regeneration unto thee of new offspring, we beseech...

Then he shall continue the Litanies.

That it may please thee graciously to hear us, we beseech... Son of God, we beseech...

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

spare us, O Lord.



Kyrie, eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie, eleison.

- V. With thee, O Lord, is the well / of life.
- R. And in thy light shall we / see light.
- V. O Lord, hear / my prayer.
- R. And let my cry come un/to thee.
- *V*. The Lord be with / you.
- R. And with thy spi/rit.

Let us pray: Almighty and everlasting God, be present at the mysteries, be present at the sacraments of thy great goodness: and send forth the spirit of adoption for the regeneration of the new peoples whom the font of Baptism doth bring forth unto thee: that what is to be done by our humble ministry, may be effectually fulfilled by thy power. Through... *R*. **Amen.** 

#### EXORCISM OF THE WATER

I exorcise thee, O creature of water, by the living ♣ God, by the true ♣ God, by the ho♣ly God, by God, who in the beginning through his word divided thee from the dry land: whose Spirit

moved upon thee, who commanded thee to flow from paradise.

Here he divides the water with his hand, and then scatters it, outside the rim of the font, towards the four quarters of the world, saying:

And commanded thee to water the whole earth with thy four rivers. Who in the desert by wood bestowed upon thee sweetness when thou wast bitter, that men might drink. Who brought thee forth from the rock, that he might refresh the people, wearied with thirst, whom he had delivered out of Egypt. I exorcise thee through Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord: who in Cana of Galilee by a wondrous miracle did change thee through his power into wine: who walked upon thee with his feet, and was baptized in thee by John in Jordan. Who brought thee forth together with blood from his side: and commanded his disciples, that they should baptize in thee them that believe, saying: Go ye, teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, that thou mayest be made holy water, blessed water, water that washeth away stains and cleanseth sins. I command thee therefore, every unclean spirit, every phantom, every lie, be rooted out, and flee away from this creature of water; that to them who shall be baptized therein, it may become a font of water springing up unto life eternal, regenerating them unto God the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, in the name of the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall come to judge the living and the dead, and the world by fire. R. Amen.

Let us pray: O Lord Holy, Father almighty, everlasting God, who dost sanctify spiritual waters, we humbly entreat thee: that thou wouldest vouchsafe to look upon this ministry of our humble service, and to send forth upon these waters, made ready for the washing and purifying of men, the Angel of holiness; to the end that, the sins of their former life being washed, and their guilt cleansed, they being regenerate may be worthy to be made a

spotless habitation for the Holy Spirit. Through... in the unity of the same Holy Spirit. *R.* **Amen.** 

Then, he breathes thrice into the water, in three directions according to this figure  $\psi$ . Then he puts incense in the thurible, and having blessed it, censes the Font, with three simple swings.

Next, pouring some of the Oil of Catechumens into the water in the form of a Cross, he says in a loud voice

May this font be sanctified and made fruitful by the Oil of salvation, for such as shall be born again therefrom unto life eternal, in the name of the Fa\subsetential there, and of the So\subsetential n, and of the Holy \subseteq Ghost.

R. Amen.

Then in the same manner, he pours in some of the Chrism, saying:

May this inpouring of the Chrism of our Lord Jesus Christ, and of the Holy Spirit the Paraclete, be wrought in the name of the holy Trinity. *R.* **Amen.** 

Next he takes both phials of the said holy Oil and the Chrism, and pours in some of both together in the form of a Cross, saying:

May this commingling of the Chrism of sanctification, and of the Oil of Unction, and of the water of Baptism be likewise wrought in the name of the Fa $\mathbb{Z}$ ther, and of the So $\mathbb{Z}$ n, and of the Ho $\mathbb{Z}$ ly Ghost. *R*. **Amen.** 

Then setting down the phials, with his right hand he mingles the holy Oil and the infused Chrism with the Water, and scatters it over the whole Font. Then he wipes his hand with crumbs of bread. He then changes his vestments from purple to white.

#### AT THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH.

The Priest, having ascertained the name(s), questions the Child (each separately if there are several to be baptized). The Godparents answer for the Child.

*N*., what do you ask of the Church of God?

R. Faith.

Priest: What does Faith bring you to?

R. Life Everlasting.

*Priest*: If then you desire to enter into life, keep the commandments. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself.

Then he blows three times gently into the face of the Child, and says once:

Go out of *him* thou unclean spirit, and give place unto the Holy Spirit the Paraclete.

Then he makes with his thumb the sign of the Cross on the forehead and on the breast the Child, saying

Receive the sign of the Cross both upon thy fore head and also on the herart, take unto thee the faith of the heavenly precepts: and be thou such in thy conversation, that thou mayest now be the temple of God.

Let us pray: We be seech thee, O Lord, graciously hear our prayers, and keep with thy perpetual power this thine Elect, *N*, who hath been signed with the sign of the Cross of the Lord: that *he*, preserving the rudiments of the greatness of thy glory, may by keeping of thy commandments be worthy to attain unto the glory

of regeneration. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

Let us pray: O God, Creator of the human race and also its Redeemer, be merciful to the people thou hast adopted. Enroll these reborn children in the New Covenant. Then, as children of promise, they will joyfully receive by grace what they could not attain by nature. Through Christ our Lord. *R.* Amen.

Then he places his hand upon the head of the Child and afterwards extending his hand, he says

Let us pray: Almighty and everlasting God, Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ, vouchsafe to look upon this thy *servant N*. (*handmaid N*.) whom thou hast been pleased to call to the rudiments of the faith: drive far from *him* all blindness of heart: break all the snares of Satan, wherewith *he* hath been bound: open to *him*, O Lord, the gate of thy mercy, that, being filled with the sign of thy wisdom, *he* may be free from all evil desires, and in the sweet savour of thy commandments may joyfully serve thee in thy Church, and prosper from day to day. Through the same Christ our Lord. *R*. **Amen.** 

#### BLESSING OF THE SALT

I exorcise thee, O creature of salt, in the name of God \$\mathbb{H}\$ the Father almighty, and in the charity of our Lord Jesus \$\mathbb{H}\$ Christ, and in the power of the Holy \$\mathbb{H}\$ Ghost. I exorcise thee through God \$\mathbb{H}\$ the living, through God \$\mathbb{H}\$ the true, through God \$\mathbb{H}\$ the holy, through God \$\mathbb{H}\$, who created thee for the protection of mankind, and commanded thee to be consecrated through his servants for the people that should come to believe; that in the name of the holy Trinity thou be made a saving sacrament to put to flight the enemy. Therefore we pray thee, O Lord our God, that sanctifying thou wouldest sancti\$\mathbb{H}\$fy, and blessing thou wouldest ble\$\mathbb{H}\$ss this creature of salt, that it be made to all who receive it perfect

healing, abiding in their members, in the name of the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall come to judge the living and the dead, and the world by fire. *R*. **Amen**.

Then he puts a little of the blessed salt into the mouth of the Child, saying

N. Receive the salt of wisdom: may it avail thee for mercy unto life eternal. R. Amen.

*Priest.* Peace be with thee. R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray: O God of our fathers, O God the author of all truth, we humbly entreat thee, that thou wouldest vouchsafe mercifully to look upon this thy *servant N.* (handmaid N.), and that thou wouldest suffer him no longer to hunger, now tasting this first relish of salt, to the end that, being fulfilled with heavenly food, he may ever be fervent in spirit, rejoicing in hope, ever serving thy name. Lead him, O Lord, we beseech thee, to the washing of the new birth, that he may with thy faithful be worthy to attain unto the eternal rewards of thy promises. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

#### THE EXORCISMS

I exorcise thee, unclean spirit, in the Name of the  $\maltese$  Father, and of the  $\maltese$  Son, and of the Holy  $\maltese$  Ghost, that thou go out, and depart from this *servant* (handmaid) of God N. For He Himself command thee, accursed and damned one, who walked with His feet upon the sea, and stretched forth His hand to Peter as he sank. Therefore, accursed devil, acknowledge thy sentence, and give honor to Jesus Christ His Son, and to the Holy Ghost, and depart from this servant (handmaid) of God N., for as much as our God and Lord Jesus Christ hath vouchsafed to call *him* to His holy grace and benediction, and to the font of Baptism.

He signs the Child upon the forehead saying:

And this sign of the Holy & Cross, which we set upon *his* brow, do thou, accursed devil, never dare to violate. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest then lays his hand upon the head of the Child, and afterwards holding it extended, says:

Let us pray: I entreat thy eternal and most just mercy, O Lord holy, Father almighty, everlasting God, author of light and truth, upon this *servant* (*hand-maid*) of God *N*., that thou wouldest vouchsafe to enlighten *him* with the light of thine under-standing: cleanse *him* and sanctify *him*: give *him* true knowledge, that being made worthy of the grace of thy Baptism, *he* may hold firm hope, right counsel and holy doctrine. Through Christ our Lord. *R*. **Amen**.

Then the Priest places the end of his stole which hangs from his left shoulder on the Child and leads him into the Church saying

N, enter into the temple of God, that thou mayest have part with Christ unto life eternal. R. Amen.

#### IN THE CHURCH

When they are come into the Church, the Priest going towards the Font, says with the people:

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: who for us men and for our

salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate, he suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the Prophets; and I believe One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. I look for the Resurrection of the dead,  $\mathfrak{P}$  and the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven: hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trepass against us. And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil. Amen.

And then, with his back turned to the Baptistery, he says

I exorcise thee, every unclean spirit, in the Name of God the # Father Almighty, and in the Name of Jesus # Christ His Son, our Lord and Judge, and in the power of the Holy #Ghost, that thou depart from this creature of God, N., which our Lord hath vouchsafed to call unto His holy temple, that it may become the temple of the living God, and that the Holy Spirit may dwell therein. Through the same Christ our Lord, who shall come to judge the living and the dead, and the world by fire. R. Amen.

Then the Priest, with his thumb, touches the ears of the Child, saying

EPHTHATHA, that is, Be opened.

Then he touches the nostrils saying

For a savour of sweetness. But thou, devil, flee away; for the judgement of God draweth nigh.

Then he questions the child to be baptized by name, the Godparents answering.

N, do you renounce Satan? R. I do renounce him. And all his works? R. I do renounce them. And all his allurements? R. I do renounce them.

Then the Priest dips his thumb in the Oil of Catechumens, and anoints the Child on the breast, and between the shoulders in the form of a Cross, saying once

I anoint  $\mathfrak{P}$  thee with the Oil of salvation in Christ Jesus our Lord, that thou mayest have eternal life. R. **Amen.** 

Then he wipes his thumb and the places anointed with cotton or something similar. The Priest at the Font then questions the Child to be baptized.

*N*, do you believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth? *R*. I do believe.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was born into this world, and who suffered for us? R. I do believe.

Do you also believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting? R. I do believe.

Then, naming the Child to be baptized, the Priest says

N, Will you be baptized? R. I will.

The Priest then baptizes the Child with a three-fold immersion (or pouring, according to circumstance) at the same time clearly and distinctly pronouncing the form once only, saying:

N, I baptize thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

#### THE ORDER OF CHRISMATION

Having washed his hands, the Priest stands with his face toward the newly baptized, and says:

May the Holy Ghost come upon you, and may the power of the Most High preserve you from sin *R*. **Amen.** 

Then, signing himself with the sign of the Cross he says:

- V.  $\blacksquare$  Our help is in the name of / the Lord.
- R. Who hath made heaven / and earth.
- V. O Lord hear / our prayer.
- R. And let our cry come un/to thee.
- *V.* The Lord be with / you.
- R. And with thy spi/rit.

With his hands extended over the newly baptized, he says:

Let us pray: Almighty everlasting God, who hast vouchsafed to regenerate this Thy servant by water and the Holy Ghost, and hast given unto *him* the remission of all *his* sins, send forth upon *him* Thy seven-fold Spirit, the Holy Paraclete from heaven. *R.* **Amen.** 

The Spirit of Wisdom and understanding. R. Amen.

The Spirit of counsel and fortitude. R. Amen.

The Spirit of knowledge and godliness. R. Amen.

Replenish him with the Spirit of Thy fear, and sign him with the sign of the Cross  $\oplus$  of Christ, in Thy mercy unto life eternal. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, God, world without end. R. Amen.

The Priest, having dipped the end of his right thumb in Chrism, makes the sign of the Cross with his thumb, on the newly baptized, saying

N. I sign thee with the sign  $\mathfrak{P}$  of the Cross, and I confirm thee with the Chrism of Salvation: the Seal of the gift of the Holy Spirit. In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  $\mathfrak{P}$  and of the Holy Ghost. R. **Amen.** 

Then the Priest strikes the Child gently on the cheek saying Peace be with thee.

The Priest wipes the forehead of the Child with cotton and his own hands with bread crumb, and washes them over a basin. While he is washing his hands, the following is sung or said:

Confirm, O Lord, what Thou hast wrought in us, from Thy holy temple which is in Jerusalem.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Confirm...

*The Priest then says:* 

- *V.* Show us thy mercy, / O Lord.
- R. And grant us thy salva/tion.
- V. O Lord, hear / my prayer.
- R. And let my cry come un/to thee.
- *V.* The Lord be with / you.
- R. And with thy spi/rit.

Let us pray: O God, Who didst give to Thine Apostles the Holy Spirit, and didst will that by them and their successors He should be delivered to the rest of the faithful; look mercifully on the service of our humility; and grant that the heart of *him* whose forehead we have annointed with the sacred Chrism, and signed with the sign of the holy Cross, may, by the same Holy Spirit descending therein, be made the temple of his glory. Who, with the Father and the same Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, God, world without end. *R.* **Amen.** 

Behold, thus shall every man be blessed that feareth the Lord.

The Priest places on the head of the Child either a small white Chrisom or some white substitute and says:

Receive this white garment, and see thou carry it without stain before the judgement-seat of our Lord Jesus Christ, that thou mayest have eternal life. *R.* **Amen.** 

He then gives to him a lighted taper, saying:

Receive this burning light, and keep thy baptism, so as to be without blame; keep the commandments of God, that, when the Lord shall come to the nuptials, thou mayest meet Him in the company of all the Saints in the heavenly court, and have eternal life, and live for ever and ever. *R.* **Amen.** 

Then the Priest says:

N. Abide in peace, and the Lord be with you. R. Amen.

Making the sign of the Cross over the Child, he says:

May the Lord bless  $\Phi$  you out of Sion, that you may see the good things of Jerusalem all the days of your life, and have life everlasting. R. **Amen.** 

The service continues with the Mass (or with communion from the reserved Sacrament for the infant).