

St. Christopher's

2016 – 2017 Confirmation Class

Jan. 29th, 2017

Opening Prayer

Lord, give us the ability to listen, the desire to learn and the understanding when to apply this knowledge that comes to us today. Help us to always be faithful to our vocation and desire all that is good, while rejecting all that can harm and confuse us. Lord give us Your Love and help us to Love You, above all things in our lives. In Jesus name we pray, Amen

Sacraments

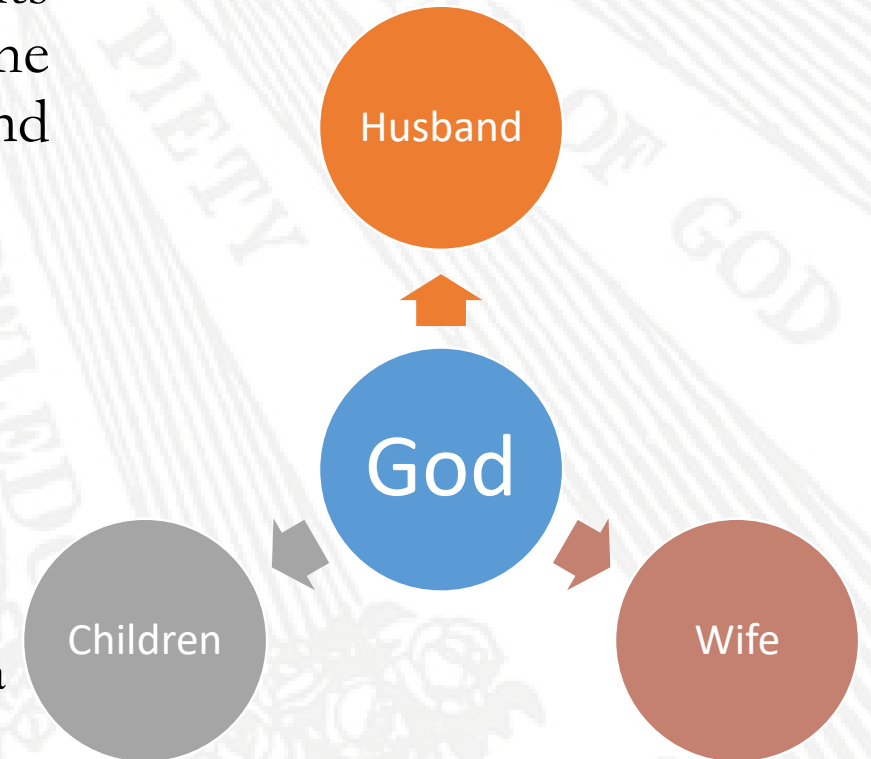
- A Sacrament is an outward sign instituted by Christ to give grace.
- Christ Instituted (7) Sacraments
 1. Baptism
 2. Reconciliation (Penance or Confession)
 3. Eucharist (Holy Communion)
 4. Confirmation
 5. Marriage
 6. Holy Orders
 7. Anointing of the Sick

Sacraments

- Sacraments of Initiation
 - Baptism
 - Confirmation
 - Eucharist (Holy Communion)
- Sacraments of Mission
 - Marriage
 - Holy Orders
- Sacraments of Healing
 - Reconciliation
 - Anointing of the Sick

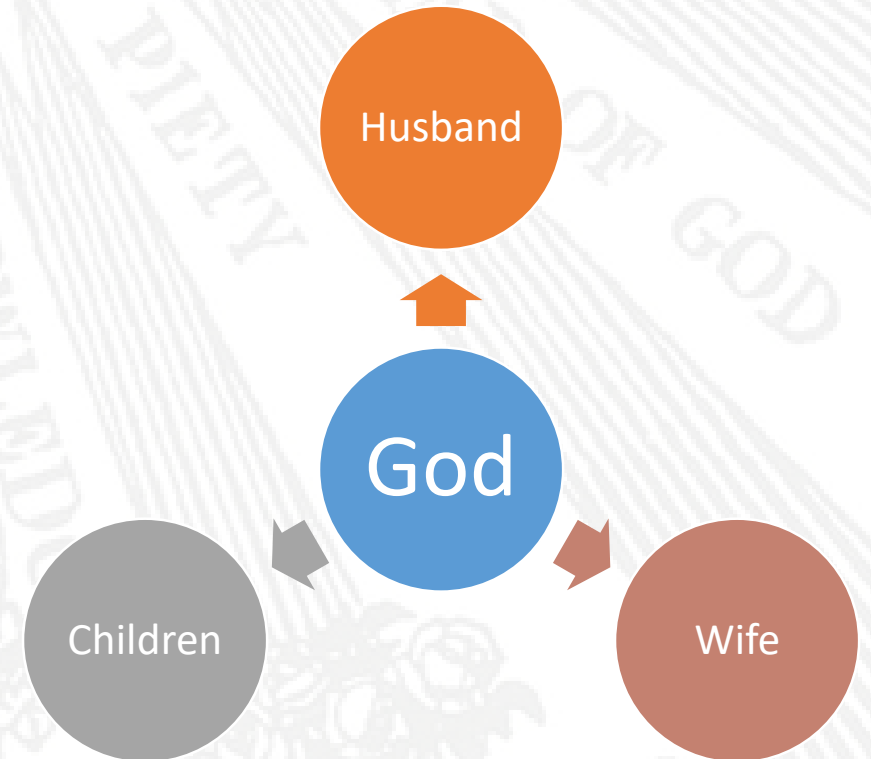
Sacrament of Marriage

- What is the Sacrament of Marriage?
 - Is the "covenant by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life and which is ordered by its nature to the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring", and which "has been raised by Christ the Lord ...
- Who can be Married?
 - (1) Man & (1) Woman
 - God is the 3rd Person in all bless marriages
- Who administers the Sacrament
 - An Ordained Catholic Priest or Deacon
 - A permanent and Faithful and fruitful union between a man and a woman how have entered into a covenant relationship between each other and God.



Sacrament of Marriage

- A Permanent, Faithful and Fruitful union between a man and a woman who have entered into a covenant relationship between each other and God.
- Vocation for Life:
 - Need to be well prepared
 - Precaina Classes
 - 6-12 month preparation
- What is Marriage about?
 - Uniting of Husband and Wife
 - Procreation of Life
 - Mirrors the unconditional Love God has for his Creatures



Sacrament of Marriage

- In the Bible > Matt 19:4-6

⁴ “Haven’t you read,” he replied, “that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female,’ ⁵ and said, ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother’

- In the Bible > Mark 10:6-9

⁶ “But at the beginning of creation God ‘made them male and female.’ ⁷ ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, ⁸ and the two will become one flesh. ’So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹ Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

Video

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Sacrament of Holy Orders

- What is the sacrament of Holy Orders?
 - The sacrament through which the mission entrusted by Christ to his apostles continues to be exercised in the Church until the end of time: thus it is the sacrament of apostolic ministry. It includes three degrees: Episcopate, Presbyterate, and Diaconate.
 - Episcopate (Bishop)
 - 1st rank of Holy Orders
 - Presbyterate (Priest)
 - 2nd rank of Holy Orders
 - Diaconate
 - 3rd rank of Holy Orders
- Who can be Ordained?
 - Catholic Men
- Who administers the Sacrament
 - Catholic Bishop



Sacrament of Holy Orders

- In the Bible > Matt 6:18

¹⁸“And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

- In the Bible > Acts 20:28

²⁸Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.

- In the Bible > Luke 22:19

¹⁹And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

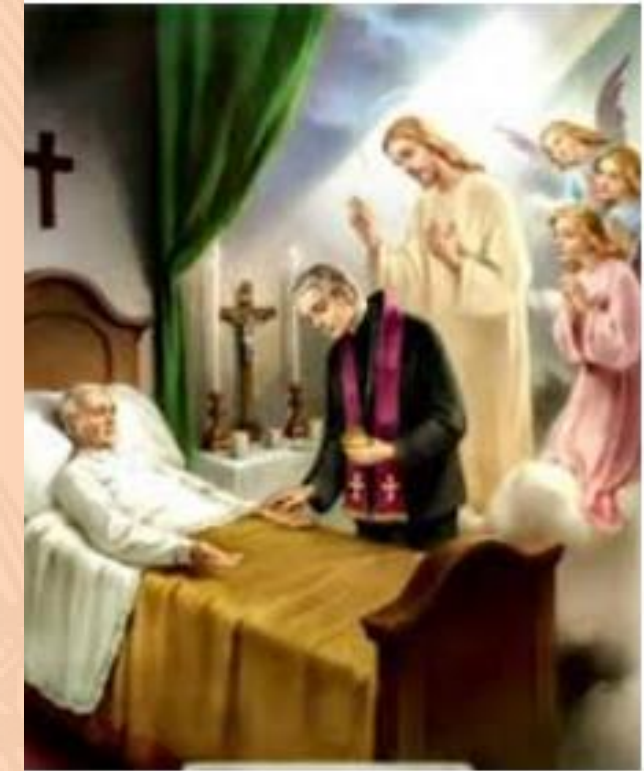
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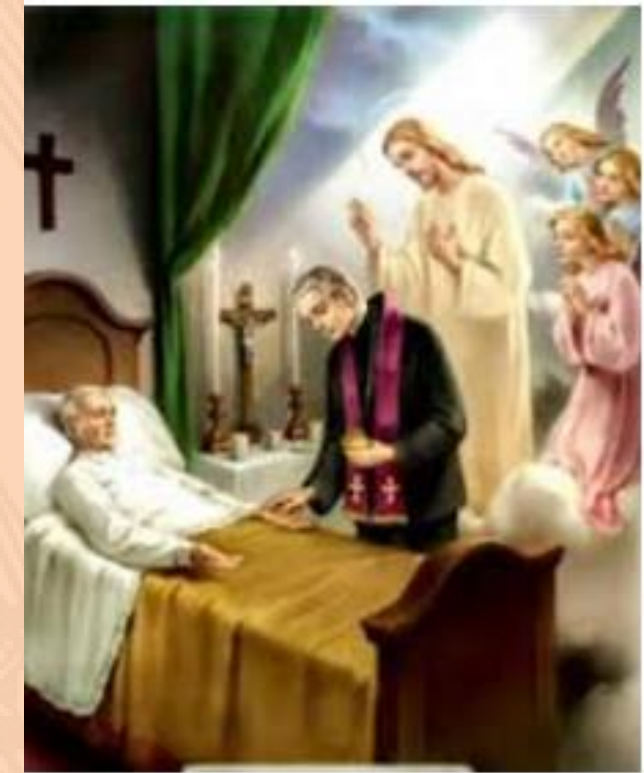
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

- What is the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick
 - The anointing of the sick is administered to bring spiritual and even physical strength during an illness, especially near the time of death. It is most likely one of the last sacraments one will receive.
- Who administers the Sacrament?
 - An Ordained Priest
- Who can receive the Sacrament?
 - Administered to a Catholic "who, having reached the age of reason, begins to be in danger due to sickness or old age", except in the case of those who "persevere obstinately in manifest grave sin."



Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

- The anointing of the sick conveys several graces and imparts gifts of strengthening in the Holy Spirit against:
 - Anxiety,
 - Discouragement
 - Temptation, and
 - Conveys peace and fortitude (CCC 1520).
 - These graces flow from the atoning death of Jesus Christ, for "this was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah, 'He took our infirmities and bore our diseases'" (Matt. 8:17).
- Mark refers to the sacrament when he recounts how Jesus sent out the twelve disciples to preach, and "they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many that were sick and healed them" (Mark 6:13). In his epistle, James says, "Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven" (Jas. 5:14–15).



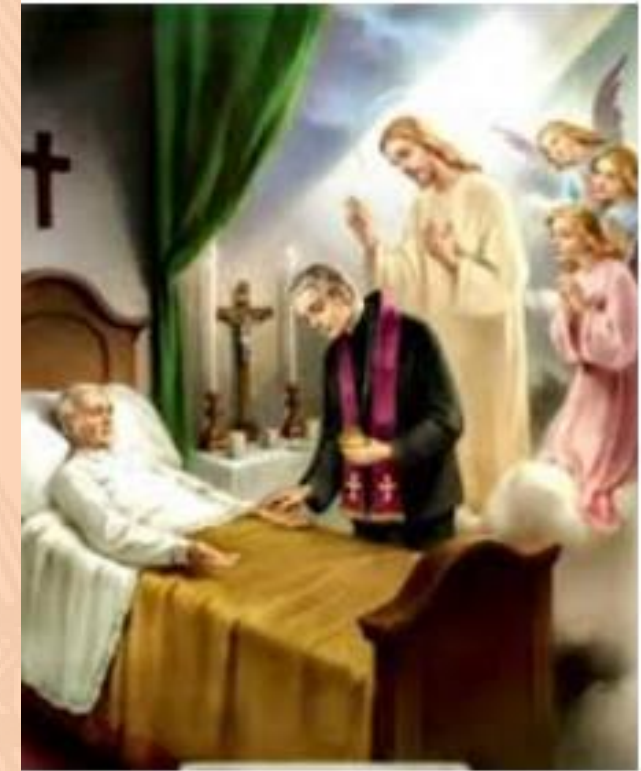
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- In the Bible > Mark 6:13

¹³"they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many that were sick and healed them."



Up & Coming

- **Confirmation Retreat:** Sunday, March 12, 2017, 12 pm to 6:30 pm at Pritchard Community Chapel on Ft. Knox.
- **You Need to Provide:**
 - **Sponsor Verification Forms:** Filled out by the sponsor verifying
 - They are Catholic
 - Over the age of 16
 - Practicing the Faith and in Good Standings with the Church
 - **Baptism and FHC proofs.**
 - Due March 5th, 2017
 - Letter will be sent to your parents requesting certificates or notifications from the baptismal parish.
 - **Confirmation Name & Report**
 - Due: April 2nd, 2017
 - **Letter to the Archbishop:** Requesting Confirmation.
 - Due: April 2nd, 2017
 - Typed, Times New Roman Font, 12 pt.
 - Points to be made are provided today

Up & Coming

- **Interviews with Father: Upcoming Schedule will be given out!**
- **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**
 - **Reconciliation Service: April 19th, 2017**
 - **You Need to Receive this Sacrament Before Confirmation**
 - **Every Tuesday Night during Eucharistic Adoration, at St. Christopher's**
 - **6:00 – 8:00PM**
- **Confirmation Practice: May 3rd, 2017 at 7:00 PM**
- **Confirmation: May 4th, 2017 at 7:00 PM**

Challenge of the Week

- Go to Confession
- Continue Praying nightly
 - Our Father
 - Hail Mary
 - Glory Be
- Read the Bible: Read (1) bible verse each night before bed
 - Food for the soul
- Passport Challenge: Complete one passport stamp!
- Community Service Hours
- Saint Report (due Feb. 26th, 2017)
- Sponsor Choice

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Closing Prayer

Loving and Merciful Lord, You taught us to pray and in doing so You asked us to be attentive to Your will and to forgive. Now we ask You to put into our hearts the love for others, so that we may spread Your mercy to all mankind. Give us the grace to never turn our backs on our fellow man but to embrace the challenge of showing Mercy to all. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

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Have a Grace Filled Week!