

Dear Padre,

My fiancée was baptized in the Lutheran Church. If she becomes Catholic, will she be baptized again?

A person can be validly baptized only once, whether in or out of the Catholic Church. Catholics believe three things are necessary for a valid baptism: baptizing in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; flowing water; and the intention of the “minister” to baptize using the form (words of the Trinitarian formula) and matter (flowing water) needed for a valid baptism.

Orthodox and most Protestant baptisms are recognized by the Catholic Church. However, the Catholic Church does not recognize as valid baptisms performed by Christian communities that don’t believe in the Trinity—Jehovah’s Witnesses and Mormons, for example. These communities may use the same matter (flowing water), but they don’t have the same form (Trinitarian formula) or intention in their baptism.

If your fiancée decides to become Catholic, she will need to attend Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults sessions, make her first Communion and reconciliation, and be confirmed, but she has already been validly baptized and will not need to be baptized again.

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

To baptize a child is an act of justice toward them. Why? Because at baptism we offer a treasure, at baptism we offer a pledge: the Holy Spirit. Baptism endows the child with the strength of the Holy Spirit: the Spirit that will defend and assist each of them throughout life.

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD, JANUARY 12, 2020

Calendar

- Monday**
JANUARY 11
Weekday
Heb 1:1–6
Mk 1:14–20
- Tuesday**
JANUARY 12
Weekday
Heb 2:5–12
Mk 1:21–28
- Wednesday**
JANUARY 13
Weekday
Heb 2:14–18
Mk 1:29–39
- Thursday**
JANUARY 14
Weekday
Heb 3:7–14
Mk 1:40–45
- Friday**
JANUARY 15
Weekday
Heb 4:1–5, 11
Mk 2:1–12
- Saturday**
JANUARY 16
Weekday
Heb 4:12–16
Mk 2:13–17
- Sunday**
JANUARY 17
Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 3:3b–10, 19
1 Cor 6:13c–15a,
17–20
Jn 1:35–42



The Baptism Of The Lord

January 10, 2021



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Holy Spirit Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of January 9 – January 15

- Sat 6:00 pm †Raymond Raj
- Sun 11:00 am †Leonard Sumter
- Sun 6:00 pm †Earl Robbins
- Mon 8:00 am NO MASS
- Tue 8:00 am NO MASS
- Wed 8:00 am NO MASS
- Thr 8:00 am NO MASS
- Fri 8:00 am NO MASS

Christ the King Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of January 9 – January 15

- Sat 4:00 pm †Vernon Lepre, Jr.
- Sun 9:15 am †Souls in Purgatory, esp
Johnson & Falcone Family
- Tue 6:00 pm NO MASS, NO ADORATION

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before and after daily Mass, and by Appointment
1st Friday Adoration – 8:30am- 6:00pm
at Holy Spirit in St. Patrick’s Chapel
Adoration at Christ the King – Tuesday 5:30pm-6pm

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