

## Kindergarten: Lesson 12

### Baptism: You are a Child of God

#### Lesson Objective:

This lesson continues the themes from the previous lesson to help children understand the role of sacraments in their friendship with Jesus.

#### Learning Outcomes: Students will ...

- Define sacrament as an opportunity to meet Jesus and grow in our relationship with Him (CCC 1129).
- Define Baptism as a sacrament (CCC 1131, 1213-1216).
- Identify water as a sign of God's life and an important part of Baptism (CCC 1238,1278).
- Identify Baptism as the moment when they become a child of God (CCC 1996-1997, 2782).

#### Materials Needed:

- Prayer space items, Bible, pencils, crayons
- Copies needed: 7 Sacraments Matching Game, the Holy Spirit is Present at your Baptism coloring sheet, The 7 Sacraments Mini-Book

#### As Students Enter Class:

- If your children like to color, you may like to use the coloring page below. [Child of God Coloring Page](#)

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should all be called children of God!

1 JOHN 3:1



#### Beginning of Class:

- Gather around your prayer space and pray a traditional Catholic prayer that you have been working on in class.

| Lesson Order    | Implementation Ideas  |
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| Lesson 12 Video | <p data-bbox="678 233 1122 275">This video is 4:02 in length.</p> <p data-bbox="678 310 1365 541">Highlights: Last week you learned that you are a member of the Catholic Church. To become a member, you were baptized. Baptism is a Sacrament of Initiation and is the very first sacrament each person receives.</p> <p data-bbox="678 583 1409 695">Sacraments are an opportunity for us to grow in our faith. In Baptism, you became a child of God.</p> <p data-bbox="678 737 1354 814">During Baptism, there is water. Water is a sign of God's life.</p> <p data-bbox="678 856 1377 934">QUESTION: What are ways we use water in our everyday lives?</p> <p data-bbox="678 976 1365 1123">Water is poured over the child or person being Baptized three times and the priest says the words: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.</p> <p data-bbox="678 1165 1414 1276">QUESTION: Do these words remind you of anything? The Sign of the Cross and the Holy Trinity.</p> <p data-bbox="678 1318 1382 1507">The light of Christ also comes to us through God's word, Sacred Scripture. Sacred Scripture is read to us during our Baptism. Reading the Bible also shares the light of Christ.</p> <p data-bbox="678 1549 1360 1661">When you were Baptized, your parents tell everyone your name. This is how you are called by name to belong to Jesus.</p> <p data-bbox="678 1703 1409 1850">When you were Baptized, the priest also used Sacred Chrism Oil, which has a sweet fragrance. This is an oil of joy, because we are now anointed into the likeness of Christ.</p> |

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|   | <p>The Catholic Church has 7 Sacraments. God shows His love for us and gives us his grace through the sacraments.</p>  |
| <p>The Baptism Video</p>  | <p>This video is 1:59 in length and is animated.</p> <p>Highlights:</p> <p>This video is engaging and answers the question: Why is Baptism Important.</p> <p>Baptism gives us spiritual life and makes us sons and daughters of God. Baptism is a free gift of grace from Jesus to help us enter into divine life.</p> <p>Although we are born into this world with original sin, Baptism gives us new life through grace.</p>   |
| <p>Christine in Action Song</p>   | <p>This Christine in Action song is 1:34 in length.</p> <p>The words appear on the screen as she sings. The song relates the importance of Baptism.</p>  |
| <p>The Seven Sacraments Video</p> <p>The Sacraments Explained</p> <p>Note: This is above the kindergarten grade level. However, it is shorter to watch, which is good. There is not much available that properly explains our Catholic Sacraments for kindergarten students.</p> <p>Feel free to be creative, given the ability of your students.</p> | <p>This video is 2:18 in length.</p> <p>This video is 2:19 in length. It explains the Sacraments very well. The illustrations also help students understand the concepts.</p> <p>Highlights: A sacrament is an efficacious sign instituted by Christ to gain grace. Efficacious means that the Sacrament symbol actually happens.</p> <p>Example: Baptism: Water is the symbol but it actually cleanses us from original sin.</p> <p>Every Sacrament was instituted by Jesus Christ and can be found in Scripture.</p> |

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| <p>If you are able, consider taking students to your church's baptismal font, and the spot where the holy oils are kept. Taking them before watching the video would give them some knowledge to attach the new learning to.</p> | <p>Example: The Eucharist was instituted at the Last Supper and Holy Orders was instituted at Jesus's Ascension into Heaven.</p> <p>The term Apostolic Succession means that all priests can be traced back to the Apostles and all Popes can be traced back to St. Peter.</p> <p>Every Sacrament has 3 things:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Matter</li> <li>2) Form</li> <li>3) Minister</li> </ol> <p>Matter: The physical object used. Ex: Water for Baptism.</p> <p>Form: The words spoken. Ex: I Baptize you in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.</p> <p>Minister: The person administering the Sacrament, such as a Priest, Bishop, or Deacon.</p> <p>The 7 Sacraments of the Catholic Church are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Baptism</li> <li>2) First Eucharist</li> <li>3) Reconciliation</li> <li>4) Confirmation</li> <li>5) Holy Matrimony</li> <li>6) Holy Orders</li> <li>7) Anointing of the Sick</li> </ol> |
| <p>The 7 Sacraments Song</p>   | <p>This is also a Christine in Action video and is .52 in length.</p> <p>The illustrations in the video are engaging.</p>   |

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| Sacraments Matching Game                                 | You will need to prepare this ahead of time. Students play the matching game, matching the picture/symbol to the sacrament name.      |
| The Holy Spirit is Present at Your Baptism Coloring Page | Students can color this page. You will want to review that the Holy Spirit is part of the Trinity that helps us to follow God's laws. |
| The 7 Sacraments of the Catholic Church Mini-Book        | This is something you can begin today and finish another day, if class time is running out.   |
| Closing Prayer   | Invite students to your prayer space and pray the Hail Mary.  |