Baptism and Confirmation

GRADE 7

CHAPTER 8 Study Guide

*Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Chapter 8**.*

The sacraments bind the members of the Church into a spiritual body, the Mystical Body of Christ.

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To become a member of the Mystical Body of Christ, a person must receive all three Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

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The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process through which people join the Catholic Church.

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Those who are to become new members of Christ's family celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation during the Easter Vigil.

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The names of catechumens are written in the book of the elect during a ceremony called the Rite of Election.

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The scrutinies strengthen the elect in their decision to live for Christ.

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After the scrutinies, the elect are presented with the Creed and the Lord's Prayer.

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Mystagogy is the last stage of the OCIA. The newly initiated reflect on the deep meaning of the sacraments they have celebrated and on living the Christian life fully.

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Through Baptism, you become a child of God. You are forgiven of Original Sin and any personal sins.

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Confirmation strengthens the gift of the Holy Spirit first received at Baptism. Confirmation marks you permanently as totally belonging to Christ.

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The Eucharist completes and fulfills Christian Initiation. The community gathers to celebrate the Paschal Mystery and receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

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