

Baptismal Promises

All: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Leader 1: We have learned that it was Jesus who established the Catholic Church. Before his Ascension into Heaven, he commissioned his disciples to go forth and share his teaching with all nations. As we hear the words spoken to the disciples, let us listen for our own calling.

Leader 2: *The eleven disciples went to Galilee to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."*
(Matthew 28:18-19)

The Word of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Leader 1: We too are called by Jesus. When he speaks to the disciples on that mountain, he speaks to each one of us. As baptized members of this Church, we are commissioned to be witnesses to others.

Leader 2: Let us remember that we are children of God by renewing the promises made at our Baptism.

Do you reject Satan?

All: I do.

Leader 1: And all his works?

All: I do.

Leader 2: And all his empty promises?

All: I do.

Leader 1: Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth?

All: I do.

Leader 2: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?

All: I do.

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, gives us the gift of new life through the waters of Baptism and the Holy Spirit. Let us be witnesses of his love as we go forth into the world. To our heavenly Father, we pray. Amen.