The Church Is One

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Saint Ignatius of Loyola founded the Society of Jesus, an order of priests and brothers also known as the Jesuits.

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During a time of spiritual growth, Ignatius developed a plan of meditation called the Spiritual Exercises.

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The pope, bishops, priests, and deacons receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders and form the clergy. Bishops and priests form the priesthood.

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The call to lead a religious life means to follow Jesus by living in a community and embracing its practices. People living in a religious community make promises called vows. For example, a vow of poverty is a promise to live simply.

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The laity consists of baptized members of the Church who have not received the Sacrament of Holy Orders or taken vows to lead a religious life.

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The pope is the successor of Saint Peter, whom Jesus chose to be the leader of the Church.

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The Stations of the Cross are a way to reflect upon Jesus' Passion and Crucifixion.

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Evangelization is spreading the news about Jesus.

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The Apostle Paul recognized both unity and diversity within the Church.

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Different traditions have been part of the Church from its beginning. Some of these differences were a result of the division of the Roman Empire into the West and the East.

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Called to Holy Orders

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The two sacraments that enable people to devote themselves to the service of others are Holy Orders and Matrimony, the Sacraments at the Service of Communion.

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In Matrimony, the love between married couples is a reflection of the love of Christ for his Church.

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God calls married Catholics to keep their wedding vows for as long as they live.

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Men receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders in the Rite of Ordination. Through this rite these men receive a permanent spiritual mark, called a *character*.

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A bishop receives the fullness of the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Deacons help bishops and priests by serving the Church and assisting the priest at liturgies. Transitional deacons are studying to become priests, while permanent deacons are called to remain deacons for life.

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After a priest has been ordained, he is vested with a stole and chasuble, and his hands are anointed with Chrism.

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After Judas betrayed Jesus, the Apostles had to choose a replacement for Judas. The Lord led them to choose Matthias.

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When a stone carving of Mary mysteriously reappeared five times beside a footpath in Costa Rica, people built a shrine at that spot. The shrine is now a *basilica*, a church of historical significance.

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The Domestic Church

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The family has traditionally been called the domestic church.

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The family forms a community where children practice living a holy life and loving one another.

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Luigi and Maria Beltrame Quattrocchi are examples of how to foster an atmosphere of faith in the home. They were the first couple to be named "blessed" together.

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Being named "blessed" is a step toward sainthood.

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God calls couples to a special vocation through the Sacrament of Matrimony to live a life of love for each other.

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Jesus' family was faithful to the traditions of Judaism.

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After Joseph and Mary noticed Jesus was missing, they found him in the Temple.

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The ark of the covenant contained the Ten Commandments.

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In Matrimony the Holy Spirit gives a man and a woman the strength of enduring love.

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We form a community of prayer when we gather together to celebrate liturgy.





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God Calls Us

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Church members have different gifts and roles. The greatest gift of all is love—a gift that everyone can put into action.

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God calls all Christians to a life of mission and service. Each vocation serves the People of God and God's kingdom.

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Mary was called to a special vocation. At the Annunciation, she was called to be the mother of Jesus.

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From the moment of her conception, Mary was preserved from Original Sin. This is called Mary's Immaculate Conception.

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By saying yes to God, Mary cooperated with God in the history of salvation. She was filled with the Holy Spirit.

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We ask Mary for help in prayers such as the Rosary or Hail Mary.

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When Mary's life on earth was completed, she was taken into heaven, body and soul. This is called Mary's Assumption.

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Mary, under the title of her Immaculate Conception, is the patroness of the United States.

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Every person is called to the vocation of holiness.

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The sculpture *Universal Call to Holiness* was possible because of the cooperation of people with diverse backgrounds and skills.





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Celebrating Christmas

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A holy life is a life modeled after Jesus, God the Father's most precious gift to us.

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Christmas is a reminder that each of us is called to live a holy life.

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Christmas is a time of celebration. We rejoice in the birth of Jesus and reflect upon the wonderful gift of salvation that God the Father has shared with us.

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The Feast of the Holy Family is on the Sunday after Christmas. It honors Mary, Joseph, and Jesus and also celebrates our own families.

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The Christmas season's liturgical color is white.

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Nativity scenes, which depict the Holy Family, are displayed during Christmas.

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The Christmas season celebrates Jesus' birth, his Baptism, and his manifestation to the world.

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The Feast of the Epiphany marks the day when Jesus was visited by the Magi.

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The Magi journeyed a very great distance to see Jesus.

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The word *epiphany* means "a new understanding."

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