



### DURING THE WEEK

Renew your Baptismal promises and use holy water at home to bless yourself.

“I reject sin, and Satan, and I refuse to be mastered by evil. I believe God the Father, and in Jesus Christ His Son, and in the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever, Amen.



Read the Gospel and Color



### ON THE WAY TO MASS NEXT SUNDAY

In the Gospel we will hear the Hebrew word Jesus says, “Ephphatha”, listen closely to find out what it means.

### ON THE WAY TO MASS TODAY

What prayer does the priest say while washing his hand during the Mass?

While washing his hands, the priest prays, “wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin”.

### ON THE WAY HOME FROM MASS TODAY

Jesus corrected the Pharisees concerning the ritual washing of hands and vessels. He taught them that it is more important to be washed from sin than from dust. Baptism is a washing that actually removes sin so that we can make a pure offering of ourselves to God. The washing of the priests hands at Mass reminds us of this teaching of Jesus, and is a reminder of the need for him to be free from sin before he consecrates the Eucharist, as we should be before receiving the Eucharist.

### CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

**162. Q. What do we promise in Baptism?**

**A.** In Baptism we promise to renounce the devil with all his works and promises.

**163. Q. Why is the name of a saint given in Baptism?**

**A.** The name of a saint is given in Baptism in order that the person baptized may imitate his virtues and have him for a protector.

**164. Q. Why are godfathers and godmothers given in Baptism?**

**A.** Godfathers and godmothers are given in Baptism in order that they may promise, in the name of the child, what the child itself would promise if it had the use of reason.

**165. Q. What is the obligation of a godfather and a godmother?**

**A.** The obligation of a godfather and a godmother is to instruct the child in its religious duties, if the parents neglect to do so or die.