

Fourteen Effects of Baptism

- Baptism opens up the spiritual world to us.
- Through water those who are baptized are born again as God's children.
- Through Baptism we become members of the Body of Christ, the Church.
- In Baptism it is Christ himself who initiates us, who welcomes us into his Body.
- Through our Baptism we are called to share in the priesthood of Christ.
- Baptism enables us to participate in the sacramental life of the Church and to share in Christ's mission.
- In Baptism the Holy Spirit calls us to share Christ's mission by being living signs of the Kingdom of God.
- Baptism is a spiritual birth.
- Through the grace of Baptism, all our sins are forgiven and we are given the grace to fight future temptation.
- Through Baptism we enter a way of life that is destined for eternal life and union with God.
- Baptism's sacramental character is permanent and marks us for Christ.
- In Baptism we first receive the Holy Spirit into our life.
- Baptism is a Sacrament that is necessary for our salvation.
- An effect of Baptism is the beginning of new life in Christ.

