

Grade 2 – Lesson 7

Key Points

- The Seven Sacraments are special signs and celebrations that Jesus gave his Church that allow us to share in God’s life and work.
- Baptism makes a person a child of God and member of the Church, taking away Original Sin.
- Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation are the Sacraments of Initiation, which celebrate our beginning and membership into the Catholic Church.
- Review the steps of Reconciliation

Materials

- Sacrament Match-Up (p. 155E)
- The Sacrament of Reconciliation (p. 165E)
- Sacrament Spinner Game (Active Learning Int 2) and cards
- Paper Clips
- Our Baptismal Candle (Active Learning Primary 2)
- Act of Contrition
- YouTube (Please bring a tablet or laptop to your lesson. Wi-fi password: AllisHoly)

Catechist Prayer before the lesson:

Jesus, you taught your followers that everything you said and did was a sign of your Father’s love. Help me use my words and actions to show God’s love, so the children in my care will come to recognize and welcome the grace of the Seven Sacraments. Amen.

Before the lesson:

- Hand out **Our Baptismal Candle**.

[10 min] **Invite – The Sacraments** (p. 155)

- Pray the Memorare . The students who went to First Reconciliation received a prayer card with the Memorare. This is a prayer to Mary to ask for her help whenever we have problems.

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

- Recite the prayer on page 155 and recite the Scripture passage. You can use the instrumental song Lumen Christi in the background (Track 1).

[20 min] **Discover – Signs of God’s Love** (p. 156-159)

- Hand out Sacrament Match-Up. Have the students match the picture to each Sacrament.
 - Ask: Which Sacrament is missing? *Baptism*.
- Read or paraphrase the text on pages 156-159 about the Sacraments. *Note: Feel free to take the group into Church to talk about the Sacraments.*
 - The Seven Sacraments are special signs and celebrations that Jesus gave his Church that allow us to share in God’s life and work.
 - Baptism makes a person a child of God and member of the Church, taking away Original Sin.
 - Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation are the Sacraments of Initiation, which celebrate our beginning and membership into the Catholic Church.
- Watch a brief video on the Seven Sacraments. *Please bring a tablet or laptop to your lesson.* Wi-fi password: AllisHoly
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qmfSwi3ZKH4>

[15 min] **Live - Our Catholic Life** (p. 160) - Sacrament Spinner Game

- Briefly go through the descriptions of the Sacraments on page 160.
- Hand out the **Sacrament Spinner Game**. Help the students cut out the circle and arrow and punch a hole through the arrow. Each student should use a pencil to center a paper clip to use as a spinner.
- Draw 1 card and read the description. Call on a student to spin their paper clip and stop on one of the sacraments. Ask if the description you read is true or false for that sacrament. *Answers are on the cards or on page 160.*

[20 min] **Discover – Steps in the Sacrament** (p. 169)

- Review the steps of Reconciliation on page 169. *Note: some children have not received First Reconciliation this year, so this information might be new for them.*
- Hand out **The Sacrament of Reconciliation** worksheet. *Answers are in the back of the catechist manual.*
- Practice making a confession. Write these phrases on the board:
 - Bless me Father, for I have sinned. It’s been _____ since my last confession.
 - I’m sorry for these and all my sins.
 - His mercy endures forever.
 - Thanks be to God.

Have one or both teachers pretend to be priest and invite children to practice making a confession using made up sins.

Priest: "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

Child: Make the Sign of the Cross, then say: "Bless me Father, for I have sinned. It's been (a month) since my last confession. These are my sins."

1. I got angry at my mom and talked back to her, and I was disobedient towards her.
2. I said bad things about a classmate behind their back.
3. I was lazy and I disobeyed my dad by not helping with housework.
4. I disobeyed my parents by watching an inappropriate TV show two different times.
5. I'm sorry for these and all my sins.

Priest: Gives some advice and asks the child to say the Act of Contrition.

Child: O my God,

I am heartily sorry
for having offended Thee,
and I detest all my sins
because I dread the loss of Heaven
and the pains of Hell;
but most of all because they offend Thee, my God,
who art all-good
and deserving of all my love.
I firmly resolve,
with the help of Thy grace,
to confess my sins,
to do penance,
and to amend my life. Amen.

Priest: Gives advice and assigns a penance. "I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

Child: Make the Sign of the Cross.

Priest: "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good."

Child: "His mercy endures forever."

Priest: "The Lord has freed you from your sins; Go in peace."

Child: "Thanks be to God."







[10 min] **Sending – Prayer for Forgiveness** (p. 172)

- Ask the children if there is anything they would like to pray for.
- Pray the **Our Father**, **Hail Mary**, and **Glory Be**.
- Recite the prayer on page 172.
- Remind the children to read the Family+Faith pages with their parents.

Name _____ Date _____

Sacrament Match-Up

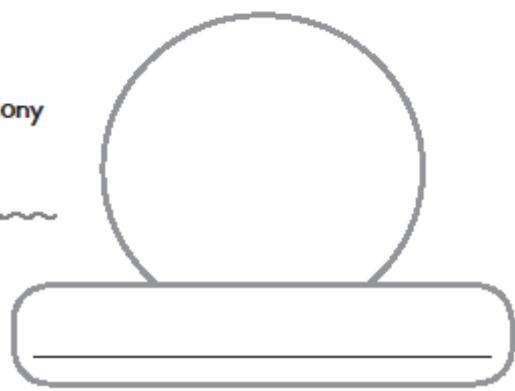
Six of the Seven Sacraments are pictured below. Draw lines to match the Sacrament names with the pictures that best tell about them.

	•	•	Confirmation
	•	•	Eucharist
	•	•	Anointing of the Sick
	•	•	Reconciliation
	•	•	Holy Orders
	•	•	Matrimony

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Draw a picture of the missing Sacrament.
Label your picture with the Sacrament's name.



Name _____ Date _____

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Review the steps for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Then use the words in the Word Bank to complete each sentence. You will use each word only once.

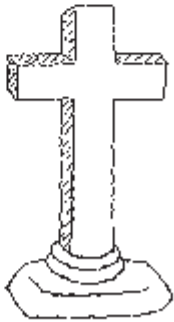
Word Bank

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sins	conscience	pray	Bible
sorrow	sorry	absolution	penance



1. I _____ to God.
2. I examine my _____.
3. I tell God I am _____
for my sins.
4. I listen to the reading from the
_____.
5. I confess my _____.
6. The priest gives me a _____.
7. I pray a prayer of _____.
8. The priest gives me _____.



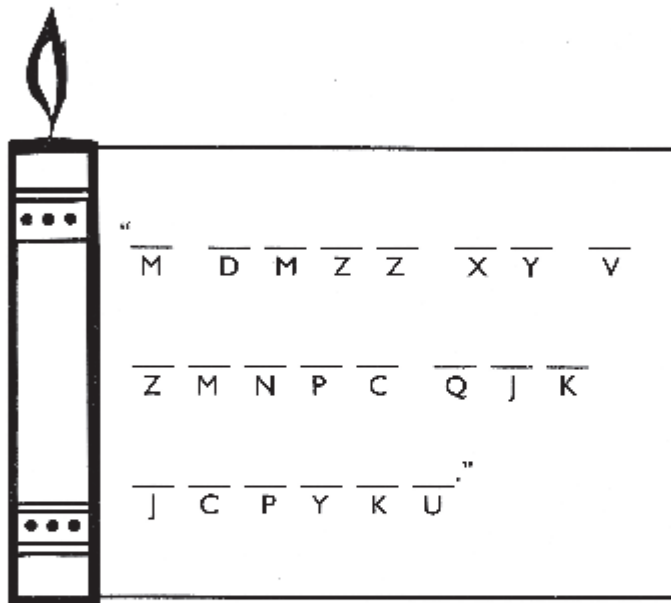
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Our Baptismal Candle

Name _____

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world." Our baptismal candle reminds us that the light of Jesus shines forever in our hearts and helps us to see our way to him.

Hidden in the puzzle is one way to imitate Jesus and a good-news promise to make today. Finish the puzzle. Then think of a way you can do what it says. For fun you can make a new puzzle that says what you will do.



Letter Key

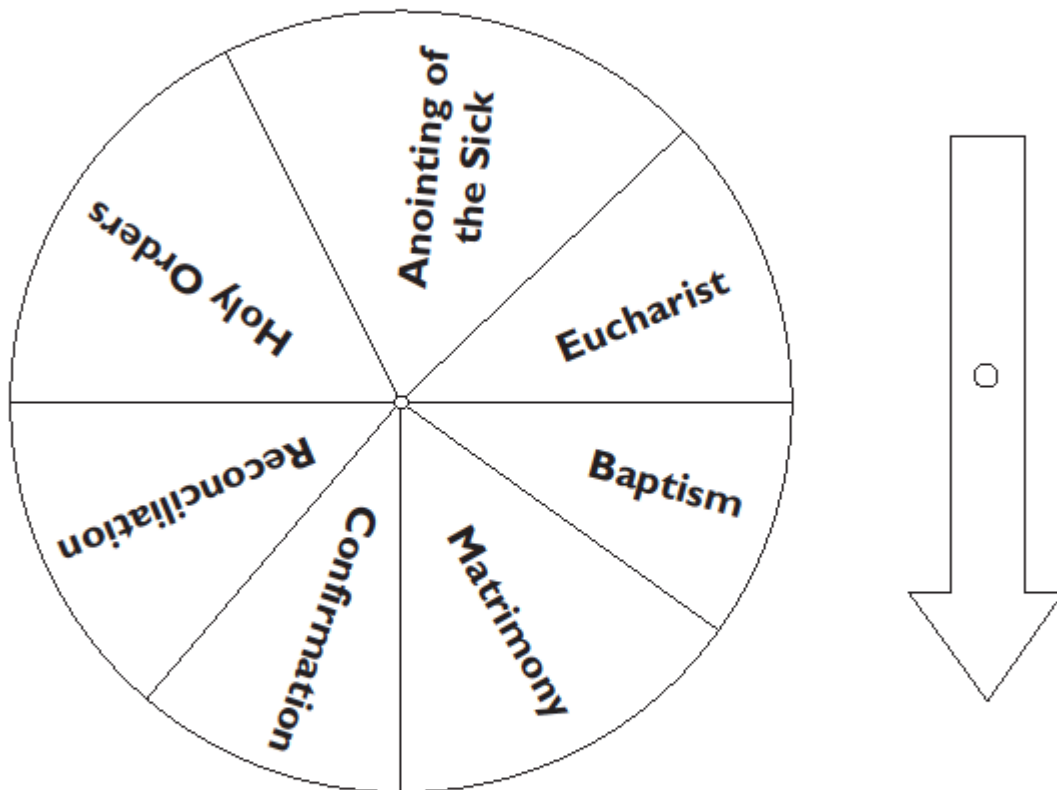
C = T	Q = F
D = W	U = S
J = O	V = A
K = R	X = B
M = I	Y = E
N = G	Z = L
P = H	

Sacraments Spinner Game

(page 1)

Name _____

Cut out the circle and glue or tape it to a paper plate. Trace the arrow shape on posterboard and cut it out. Use a brad to attach the arrow to the plate.



How to Play

1. Cut out the cards on the next page and place them in a stack, face down.
2. Draw a card from the top of the stack. Spin the spinner.
3. Read the card. Tell if the statement is true or false for the sacrament the arrow is pointing to.
4. Correct answer = 1 point. Incorrect answer = 0 points.
5. The next player takes a turn.
6. Keep shuffling the cards and reusing them until someone reaches seven points and becomes the winner.

<p>Becoming children of God and members of the Church <i>Baptism</i></p>	<p>Welcomes new members into the Catholic Family <i>Baptism</i></p>	<p>Being sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit <i>Confirmation</i></p>	<p>Gives members the strength to follow Jesus' example <i>Confirmation</i></p>
<p>Jesus' sacrifice and the gift of his Body and Blood received in Holy Communion <i>Eucharist</i></p>	<p>Feeds, heals, and unites the members of the Body of Christ <i>Eucharist</i></p>	<p>God's forgiveness when we are sorry for and confess our sins <i>Reconciliation</i></p>	<p>Brings people back into the Church and helps make peace <i>Reconciliation</i></p>
<p>God's healing love through prayer and anointing with oil <i>Anointing of the Sick</i></p>	<p>Gives support to people who are ill or elderly <i>Anointing of the Sick</i></p>	<p>The call of a man to be a deacon, priest, or bishop <i>Holy Orders</i></p>	<p>Strengthens men to be leaders and to serve God and the Church <i>Holy Orders</i></p>
<p>The lifelong love of a baptized man and a baptized woman to become a new family <i>Matrimony</i></p>	<p>Builds family love and gives an example of loving care <i>Matrimony</i></p>	<p>This is a Sacrament of initiation <i>Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation</i></p>	<p>This Sacrament can be received many times <i>Eucharist, Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick</i></p>
<p>This Sacrament can only be received once <i>Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders, Matrimony</i></p>	<p>Holy oil is used in this Sacrament <i>Baptism, Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders</i></p>	<p>Jesus received this Sacrament <i>Baptism</i></p>	<p>This Sacrament can be received by children <i>Baptism, Eucharist, Reconciliation, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick</i></p>

