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OUR COMMON BELIEFS

- ✖ Only one God, creator of universe
- ✖ Trinity
- ✖ Jesus Christ is God comes in flesh, redeemer, and bodily resurrection.
- ✖ Emphasize morality and holy life
- ✖ Christ second coming, heaven & hell

SEVEN SACRAMENTS

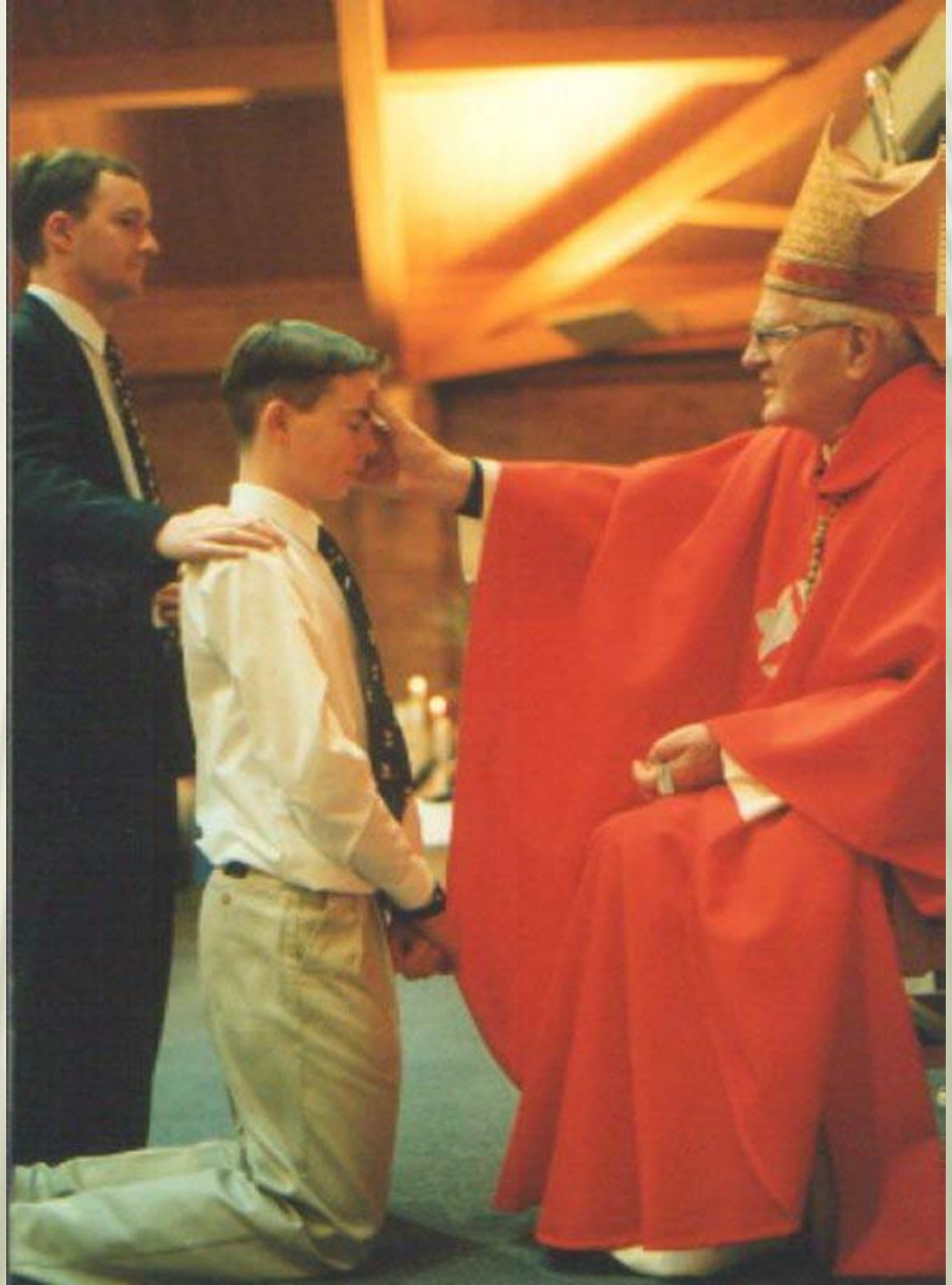
- ✕ Baptism
- ✕ Confirmation
- ✕ Holy Eucharist
- ✕ Penance
- ✕ Anointing the sick
- ✕ Holy order
- ✕ Matrimony

**1.
Baptism –

forgiveness of sin,
original sin,
a must for
salvation**



2. Confirmation



**3.
Holy
Eucharist –

receive grace
for holy living**



4. PENANCE – CONTRITE, CONFESSION, SATISFACTION



5. ANOINTING THE SICK



6. Holy order



7. Matrimony (wedding)

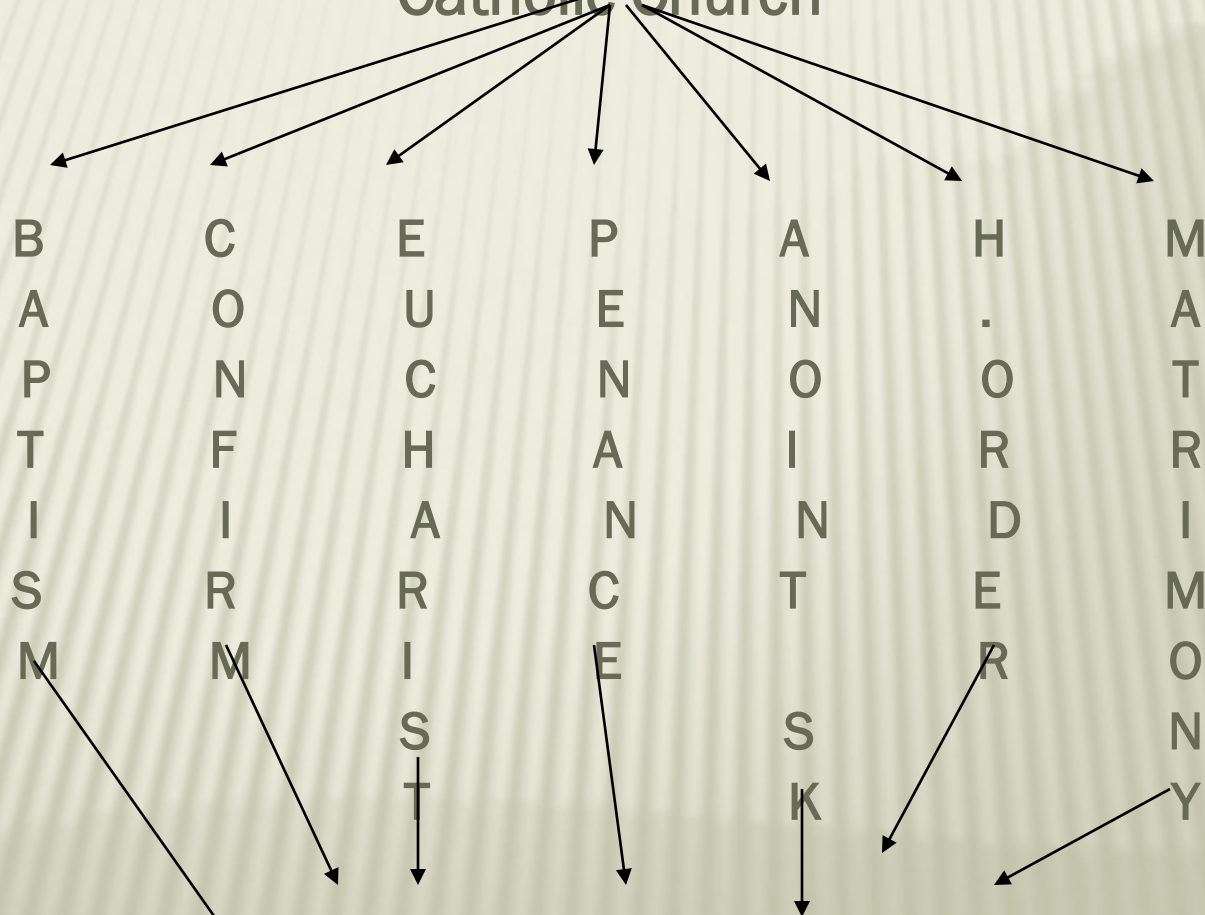


CATHOLIC'S VIEW OF THE SACRAMENTS

Jesus on the Cross



Catholic Church



We receive grace from God

OUR VIEW

not the ritual,
but the truth represented by
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Purgatory



CATHOLIC'S VIEW OF SALVATION

- ✖ Believe in Christ's redemption
- ✖ 7 sacraments
- ✖ Other good works
- ✖ Purgatory before going to heaven

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“Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him.” (Heb 7:25)

We can't save ourselves!

GRACE & WORK

- “For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.

For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” (Eph 2:8-10)

PETER, POPE, CHURCH SYSTEM



✖ “Jesus replied... And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” (Matt 16:17-19)

VIRGIN MARY



CATHOLIC VIEW ON VIRGIN MARY

- ✕ No original sin
- ✕ Forever virgin
- ✕ Bodily assumption & Queen of Heaven
- ✕ Intercessor & Co-redeemer
- ✕ Worthy to be worshipped

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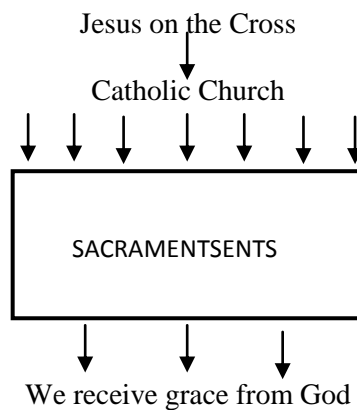
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