

we give thee humble thanks, that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace and faith in thee; Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy holy Spirit to *this Infant*, that *he* being born again, and being made *an heir* of everlasting salvation, through our Lord Jesus Christ, may continue thy servant, and attain thy promise, through the same our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Priest demand the Name of the Child, which being by the Godfathers and Godmothers pronounced, the Minister shall say,

**D**OST thou in the Name of this Child renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the flesh; so that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them all.  
Minister.

**D**OST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also

did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the Flesh; and everlasting Life after death?

Answer. All this I stedfastly believe.

Minister.

**W**ILT thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Answer. I will.

¶ Then shall the Priest say,

**W**E receive this Child into the congregation of Christ's flock, and

do \* sign him with \* Here the Priest shall make a Cross upon the Child's forehead. the sign of the Cross, in token

that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his* life's end. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Priest say,

**S**Eeing now, dearly beloved Brethren, that *this Child* is by Baptism regenerate and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits,

fits, and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that *he* may lead the rest of *his* life according to this beginning.

¶ Then shall the Priest say,

**W**E yield thee most hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate *this Infant* with thy holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own Child by adoption, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And humbly we beseech thee to grant, that *he* being dead unto sin, and living unto righteousness, and being buried with Christ in his death, may crucify the old man, and utterly abolish the whole body of sin; and that as *he* is made partaker of the death of thy Son, *he* may also be partaker of his resurrection; so that finally with the residue of thy holy Church, *he* may be an inheritor of thine everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then all standing up, the Minister shall make this Exhortation to the Godfathers and Godmothers.

**F**Orasmuch as *this Child* hath promised by you *his* sureties, to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him; ye must remember that it is your parts and duties to see that *this Infant* be taught, so soon as *he* shall be able to learn, what a solemn vow, promise and profession *he* hath here made by you. And that *he* may know

these things the better, ye shall call upon *him* to hear Sermons, and chiefly ye shall provide that *he* may learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments in the vulgar tongue, and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health; and that *this Child* may be virtuously brought up to lead a godly and a christian life; remembering always that Baptism doth represent unto us our profession, which is to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and be made like unto him; that as he died, and rose again for us; so should we who are baptized, die from sin, and rise again unto righteousness, continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

¶ But if they which bring the Infant to the Church do make such uncertain answers to the Priest's questions, as that it cannot appear that the Child was baptized with Water, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, (which are essential parts of Baptism;) then let the Priest baptize it in the Form before appointed for Publick Baptism of Infants; saving that at the dipping of the Child in the Font, *he* shall use this Form of words:

**I**F thou art not already baptized, N. I baptize thee, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.