

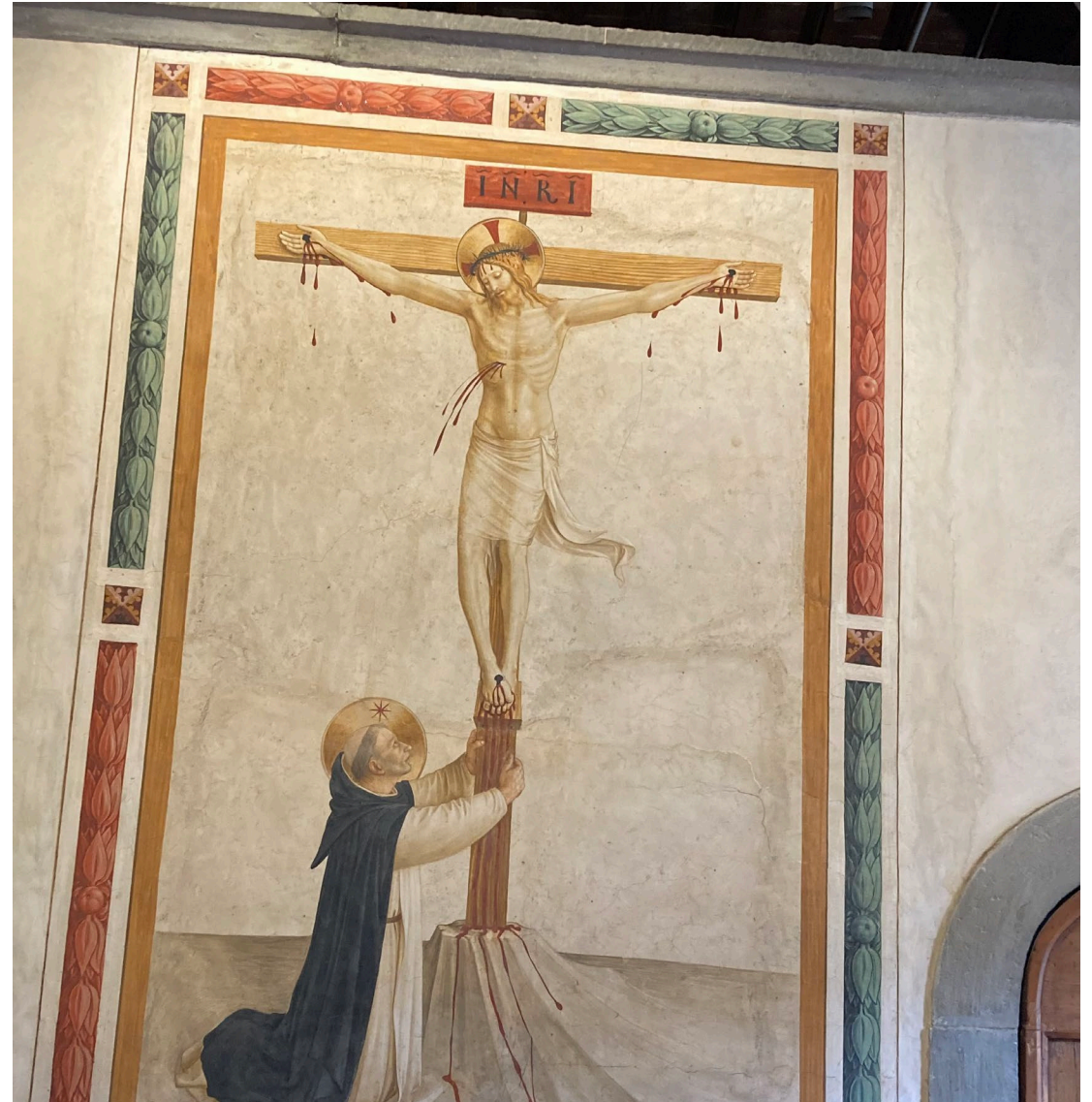
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# SACRAMENTAL THEOLOGY – HOW WE'RE SAVED!

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# PROLOGUE OF JOHN

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

<sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be <sup>4</sup> through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; <sup>5</sup> the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it...

<sup>14</sup> And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth.

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# INCARNATION & THE SACRAMENTS

- “The Incarnation is the center of all God’s plans for mankind.”
    - The Incarnation of Jesus has been prolonged from that day until the last day through the sacramental economy that he instituted.
    - Mt. 28:20 - “I am with you always, until the end of the age.”
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# SACRAMENTS PREFIGURED IN THE OLD TESTAMENT



- Baptism: Noah's Ark, Crossing the Red Sea, etc.
  - Reconciliation: Levitical Law & Confession of Sins
  - Eucharist: Melchizedek, Sacrifice of Passover Lamb.
  - Confirmation: Anointing of Kings, Laying on of Hands
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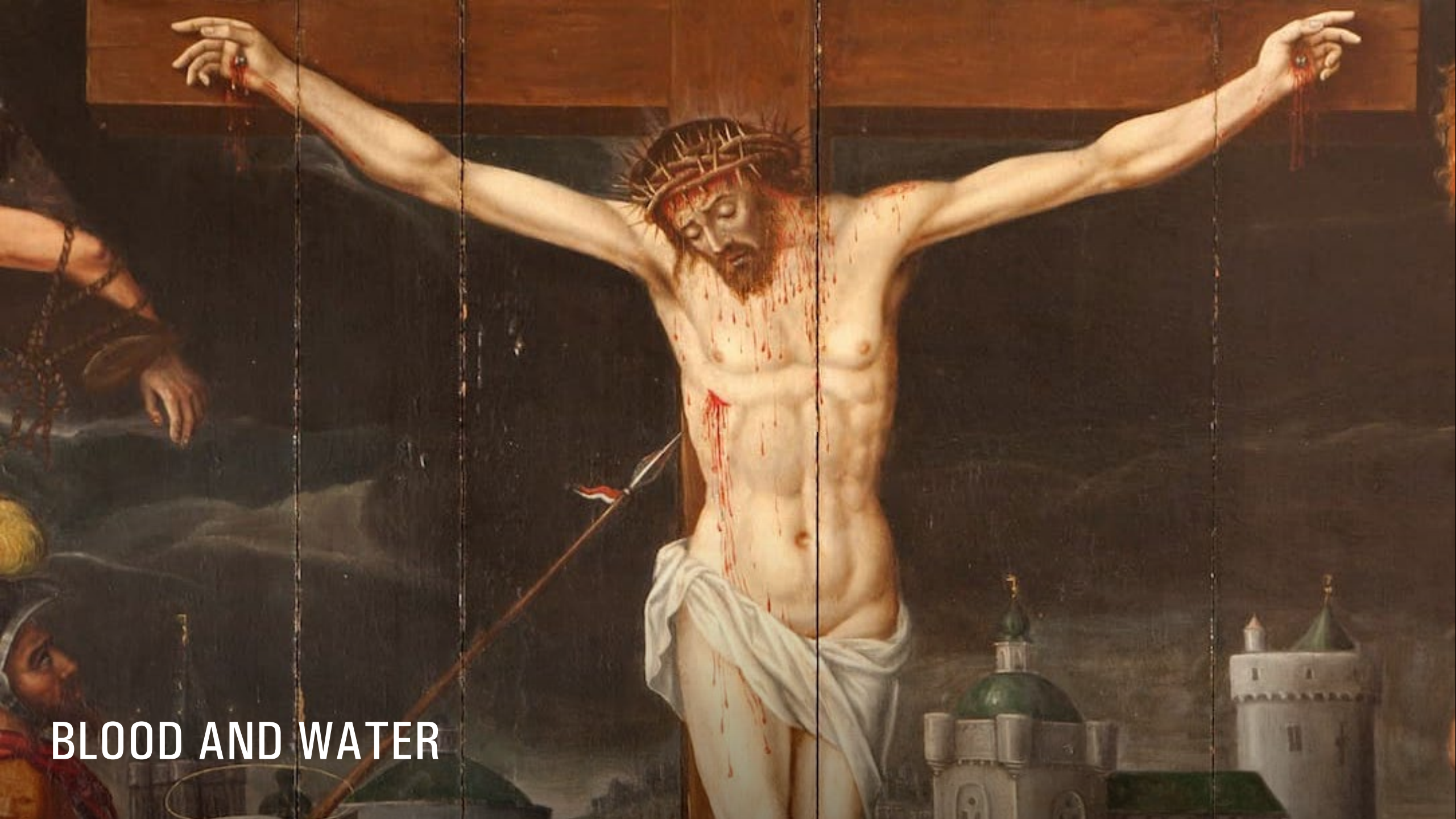


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# GOOD SAMARITAN







BLOOD AND WATER

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# WHY & WHAT ARE THE SACRAMENTS?

- The Sacraments are the the principal means of encounter with every man and woman who is incorporated into the Mystical Body of Christ, the Church.
  - Form & Matter: God communicates his invisible grace to us by means of visible rites and audible prayers.
    - Bread & Wine
    - Oil
    - Water
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# GROUPINGS

- Initiation
    - Baptism
    - Confirmation
    - Eucharist
  - Healing
    - Reconciliation
    - Anointing of the Sick
  - Service
    - Holy Matrimony
    - Holy Order
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# BAPTISM

- Forgiveness of Sins & Members of the household of God.
  - Mt. 28:19
  - Acts 2:38 – “Repent and be baptized.”
  - 1 Pt. 3:21 – “baptism... saves you.”





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# CONFIRMATION

- Deepening of the Sacrament of Baptism. We are empowered and strengthened to live the Christian life.
  - Confirmation completes the grace we received in baptism.
  - NOT a chance for us to “choose to be Catholic, to make the faith our own.”
    - Acts 2 - Pentecost
    - Acts 8:14-19
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## EUCHARIST: RE-PRESENTATION OF THE PASCHAL MYSTERIES

- Lk. 22:19-20
  - *“Do this in memory of me.”*
- Jn. 6:47-66
  - *“My flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me.”*
- 1 Cor. 10:16; 11:23-30



CONFESSION: THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS AND  
RECONCILIATION WITH GOD & NEIGHBOR. (JN.  
20:23)





ANOINTING OF THE SICK: STRENGTHENING IN THE HOLY SPIRIT AGAINST ANXIETY, DISCOURAGEMENT, AND TEMPTATION, AND CONVEYS PEACE AND FORTITUDE. (JAS. 5:14-15)



HOLY MATRIMONY: SUPERNATURAL STRENGTHENING GIVEN TO A COUPLE  
TO LIVE THEIR MARRIAGE VOWS. (MT. 19:1-9)



HOLY ORDER: PRIESTS SHARE IN THE UNIVERSAL  
DIMENSIONS OF THE MISSION (OF SALVATION) THAT  
CHRIST ENTRUSTED TO THE APOSTLES.  
(JN. 13:20; 15:5; 1 TM. 4:14)

