

Renewing Our Baptismal Promises

To the teacher: Tell students that you will read each promise and they will respond “I do” after each one. The promises start with “V.”

Begin with the Sign of the Cross.

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters), through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church.

And so I ask you:

V. Do you renounce sin, so as to live in the freedom of the children of God?

R. I do.

V. Do you renounce the lure of evil, so that sin may have no mastery over you?

R. I do.

V. Do you renounce Satan, the author and prince of sin?

R. I do.

V. Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

R. I do.

V. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

R. I do.

V. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?

R. I do.

V. And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life.

R. Amen.*

Each person makes the Sign of the Cross with holy water.

* The Renewal of Baptismal Promises, Easter Vigil, Roman Missal.