

5. THE CHURCH READDRESSES HER UNITY



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From the Greek meaning "through the whole," that is "universal," "world-wide," "all inclusive." The Church is catholic- universal in time and space.



Missionary Efforts

**“All power in heaven and on earth
has been given to me. Go,
therefore, and make disciples of
ALL NATIONS baptizing them in the
name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the holy Spirit...”**

-Mt 28:18-19



Re-Evangelization

“Instead of being just a church that welcomes and receives by keeping the doors open, let us try also to be a church that finds new roads, that is able to step outside itself and go to those who do not attend Mass, to those who have quit or are indifferent. The ones who quit sometimes do it for reasons that, if properly understood and assessed, can lead to a return. But that takes audacity and courage.”

-Pope Francis

The Church is One

“I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you.” -Jn 17:20–21

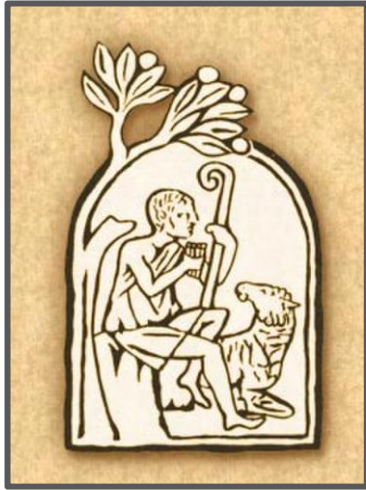


‘The Bond of Perfection’

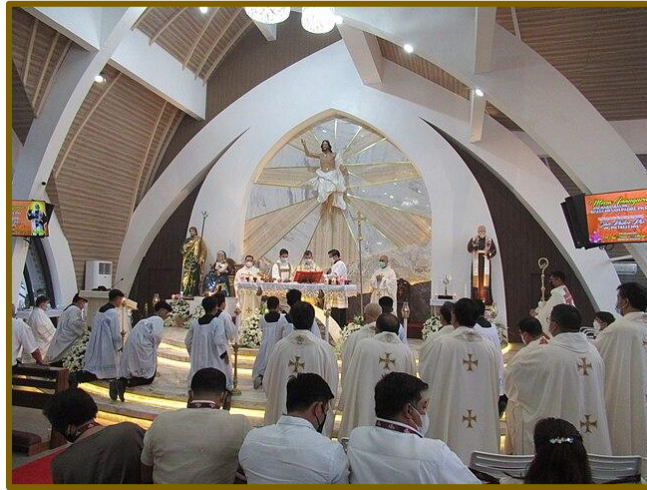


St. Paul teaches that love is the “bond of perfection” (Col 3:14)

Three Visible Bonds of Communion



**Profession of
Faith**



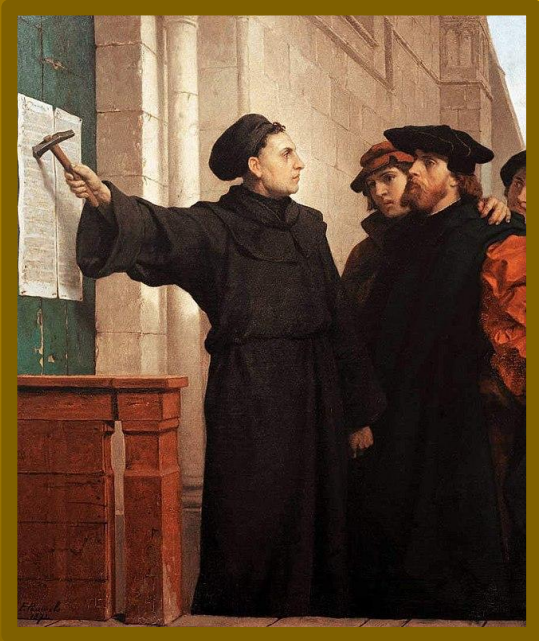
Liturgy



**Apostolic
Succession**

Protestant Reformation

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The religious movement which made its appearance in Western Europe in the sixteenth century, and which, while ostensibly aiming at an internal renewal of the Church, really led to a great revolt against it, and an abandonment of some of the principal beliefs.

Abuses That Fractured Unity



Nepotism

Pluralism

Simony

Absenteeism

Three Errors Made by Protestant Reformers

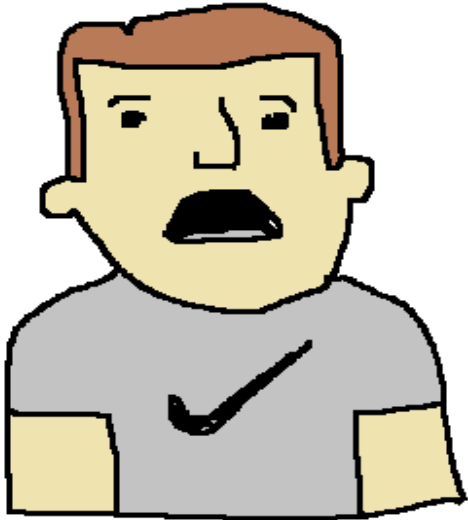
Scripture Alone

Catholics believe Divine Revelation is contained in both Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition. The Church is the official interpreter of both.

Grace Alone and Faith Alone

Catholic teaching emphasizes that Baptism, the sacrament of faith, is the means by which God justifies a person. Through this gift, God makes us inwardly righteous and pours faith, hope, and charity into our souls.

What does it mean to say that the Church of Christ 'subsists in' the Catholic Church?



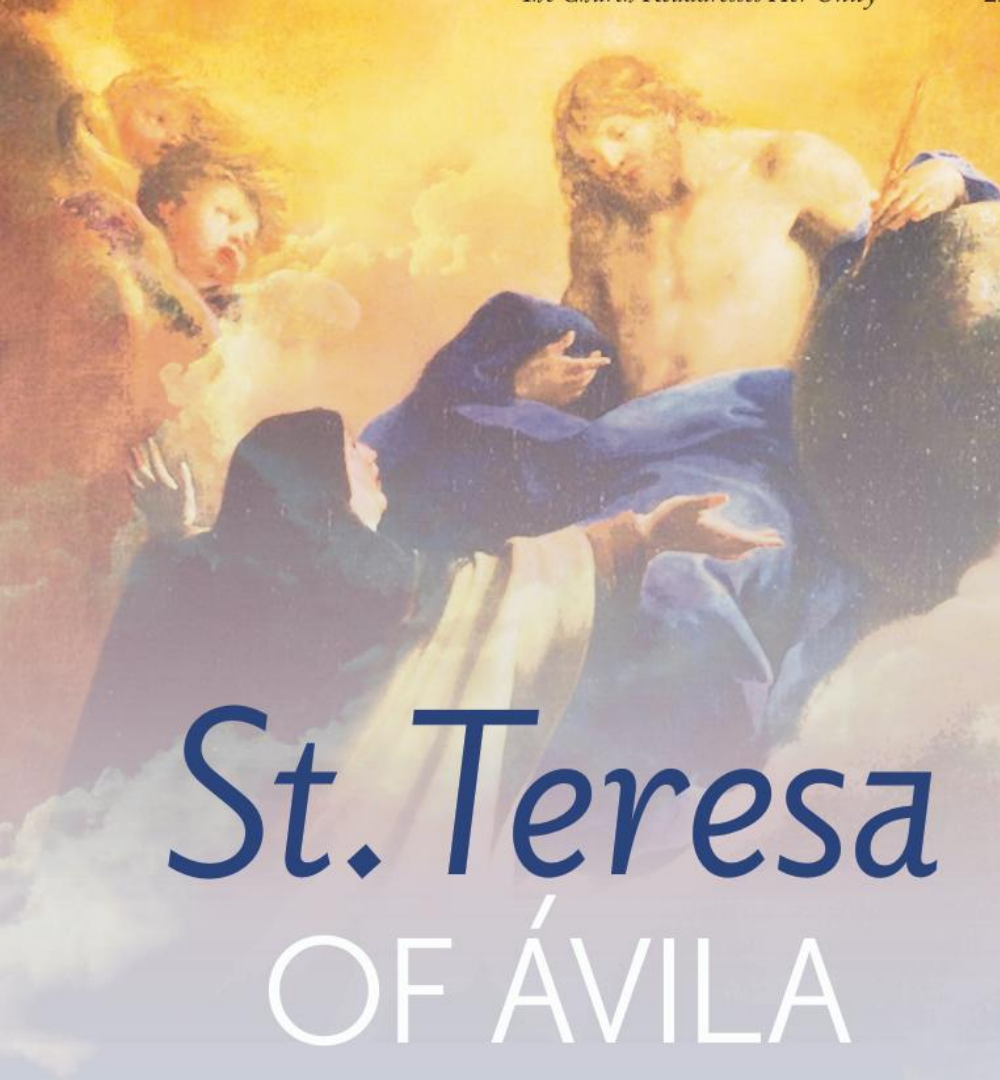
The use of ***subsists*** is meant to show that in other church communities not in full communion with the Catholic Church, “many elements of sanctification and truth” can be found. But he added that in those communities, these elements are derived from and entrusted to the Catholic Church which contains the fullness of truth.

Challenge
Question

Turn and Talk

What are some similarities that Catholics and Protestants have?





St. Teresa OF ÁVILA

Catholic Reformers

The temptation to sin is not a problem that can be dealt with once and for all; the need for reform is persistent. The Church is constantly in need of reformation.

Saint Teresa of Avila was one of many counter-reformation Saints who helped the Church recover from the Protestant Reformation.

What Catholics Believe About Mary

Immaculate Conception

Mary, the mother of Jesus, was preserved free from the effects of the sin of Adam (usually referred to as “original sin”) from the first instant of her conception.

Perpetual Virginity

Mary, the mother of Jesus, was a virgin “before, during and after” the birth of Christ. When the Bible speaks of Jesus’ brothers and sisters it is referring to kinsmen.

Mother of God

Mary is the Theotokos (Greek for Christ Bearer or Mother of God). Jesus is God and Mary is his mother, therefore Mary is the mother of God.

Assumption

Mary was “assumed” or taken into heaven instead of going through the natural process of physical decay upon death.

Transubstantiation

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Church teaching related to the Holy Eucharist that holds that the substance of the bread and wine is changed into the substance of the Body and Blood of Christ at the consecration at Mass. Rejected by Protestant reformers.

Memorize It

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“...that they may all be one.”
-Jn 17:21