

# The Role of the Priest in Christian Initiation / Stephen S. Wilbricht, CSC / 2017 / 9781618332400 / 176 pages / LiturgyTrainingPublications, 2017

View Christian Initiation Research Papers on Academia.edu for free. This work is addressed to the specific audience of the Christians in Milan in a singular moment of the life of the Church tormented not only by her inner struggles with Arianism and other heresies but also by the religious clashes with the pagans and the Jews. This spatiotemporal setting of the book is the key to reading Ambrose's writing as a speaking of the Bishop's heart submerged into the sea of Scriptures to the hearts of the believers that receive this word. The book comes to several conclusions. In his Commentary on Psalm 118, Ambrose presents a course of formation and catechesis that initiates his audience to the "school" of Christ, the Teacher. Sacraments of Christian Initiation. The three Sacraments: Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist; through which we enter into full membership in the Church. common priesthood of the faithful. The name for the priesthood shared by all who are baptized. The baptized share in the one priesthood of Jesus Christ by participating in his mission as priest, prophet, and king. Easter. The day on which Christians celebrate Jesus' Resurrection from the dead; considered the most holy of all days and the climax of the Church's liturgical year. elect. A period of catechesis following the reception of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation that aims to more fully initiate people into the mystery of Christ. normative. based on or prescribing a norm or standard. The Apostolic Origins of Christian Initiation. Introduction: There are several places in the Bible where Baptism is mentioned. This story has in it pre-baptismal preaching followed by baptism and Eucharist and again we see the importance of the role of the Apostles despite the fact that the earthquake was caused by the Lord. Priest, Prophet and King: When Aaron and his sons were chosen to be the priests of the Jewish people they were bathed by Moses, then anointed with olive oil mixed with spices (called chrism) and then dressed in their vestments after which they offered sacrifices (Exodus 29). The Book of Revelation says the Saints in heaven wear white robes (Revelation 7:9). This shows that they share in the light and life of God and their sins were removed by the blood of Christ. Christian Initiation of Adults. Each year on Holy Saturday during the Easter Vigil, thousands are baptized into the Catholic Church in the United States. Parishes welcome these new Catholics through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Listed below are some questions and answers about the process of Christian Initiation. After a conversation with a priest or a parish director of Christian Initiation, the person, known as an "inquirer," may seek acceptance into the Order of Catechumens, through the Rite of Acceptance. During this Rite, the inquirer stands amidst the parish community and states that he or she wants to become a baptized member of the Catholic Church. What is the role of a godparent for an adult being baptized? A priest or priestess is a holy man or woman who takes an officiating role in worship, with the distinguishing characteristic of offering sacrifices or performing other duties not permitted believers at large. Their office or position is the priesthood, a term which may also apply to such persons collectively. There are priests in some branches of Christianity,, though each culture has a local denomination for the priestly office. Priests are generally regarded as having good contact with God, and