

**CATHOLIC BIBLE INSTITUTE OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA – Year I 2018-2019 – January 5, 2019**  
**CLOSING PRAYER**

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Today we begin to learn about Paul’s journey of spreading the Good News of Jesus among different faith communities. Let us joyfully hear Paul’s word and celebrate our faith journey as we renew our baptismal promises. Let us daily profess our faith through our thoughts, prayers and actions.

**A reading from the book of Romans 6:3-11**

***Renewal of Baptismal Promises***

Dear brothers and sisters we have been buried with Christ in baptism, so that we may walk with Him in the newness of life. And so, now that our first session of 2019 is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism.

Do you renounce sin, so as to live in the freedom of the children of God?	<b>RESPONSE: I do.</b>
Do you reject the lure of evil, so that sin may have no mastery over you?	<b>RESPONSE: I do.</b>
Do you reject Satan, the author and prince of sin?	<b>RESPONSE: I do</b>
Do you believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth?	<b>RESPONSE: I do</b>
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?	<b>RESPONSE: I do.</b>
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?	<b>RESPONSE: I do.</b>

***Baptismal Prayer: All:*** Help us to live our faith Lord

**Table 1-6:** Lord, all we want is to live in the freedom you offer us.

We want to reject the unloving choices we have made, and the single failures to love anywhere in our lives. We reject all injustice, all violence and all that disrespects the dignity of all human life.

*All: Help us to live our faith Lord.*

**Table 7-12:** Lord we admit that some evil has a hold on us; it is attractive, it has such powerful rewards. Lord, we renew our commitment this day to turn from that evil, and from letting any disordered attachment, any empty promises master us and try to separate us from you. By this promise, we commit ourselves to greater courage in acting justly and refusing to let unjust systems and structures numb our conscience or dull our hearts.

*All: Help us to live our faith Lord.*

**Table 13-18:** Lord as we renew our promises that accompany us becoming one with you in the baptism of dying to sin and rising to life, we know that an Enemy tries to tempt us to sin and many dark patterns. We now promise to you and to our brothers and sisters who depend upon our fidelity that we renew our commitment to reject that Enemy and all his ways of subverting your reign and the coming of Your Kingdom.

*All: Help us to live our faith Lord.*

**Table 19-24:** Lord you made us and give us life every day. We believe in you, we turn to you and place our lives and graces we need each day in your loving hands.

*All: Help us to live our faith Lord.*

**Tables 1-24:** Jesus our Lord and Savior our lives are in your hands. We believe in you, we turn to you, we commit to growing closer to you. Help each of us to place ourselves with you in love, compassionate, self - sacrificing love for others.

*All: Help us to live our faith Lord.*

**Tables 1-24:** Holy Spirit of Jesus, we so desire to be enkindled with the fire of your love, that we might be renewed in courage. We renew our commitment to your work among us. We want to contribute to the unity that you desire for us. We promise to be as merciful, for we have known your mercy. We pledge to daily live our lives full of faith in the resurrection Jesus gained for us.

*Sprinkling Song:*

## RIVER OF GLORY

Dan Schutte

**Refrain**

Riv - er of glo - ry, springs of our birth, flood of God's  
 rich - es poured on the earth. We are born from the dark - ness  
 and clothed in the light! We are bathed in the glo - ry of  
 God! God, bathed in the glo - ry of God!

**1-4 to Verses** **Final**

**Verses**

1. Foun - tain of mer - cy, grace flow - ing free, streams of sal -
2. Here there is ha - ven, heal - ing and health, joy for the
3. Bread for our jour - ney God will pro - vide. Hope for all
4. Dark - ness is ban - ished, night turned a - way. Christ is our

**to Refrain**

1. va - tion, spill - ing with love from a tree!
2. ask - ing, love in a - bun - dance of wealth!
3. a - ges, Je - sus, com - pan - ion and guide!
4. sun - light, lift - ing and lead - ing our way!

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**All:** Lord, Our God, this year's journey to the waters of baptism has renewed me. I have come to know more intimately the complexity of my weakness and the depths of your love for me. By your grace, I have come to experience the mystery of the gift of life you offer. Please help me to remain free and faithful that I might grow as a servant of Jesus' own mission. I ask this with growing faith in the name of Jesus my Lord, Amen.