

### What do the Saints Say?

**GREGORY.** Shoes also are made from the skins of dead animals. The Lord, therefore, coming incarnate, appeared as it were with shoes on His feet, for He assumed in His divinity the dead skins of our corruption. Or else; it was a custom among the ancients, that if a man refused to take as his wife the woman whom he ought to take, he who offered himself as her husband by right of kindred took off that man's shoe. Rightly then does he proclaim himself unworthy to loose his shoe-latchet, as if he said openly, I cannot make bare the feet of the Redeemer, for I usurp not the name of the Bridegroom, a thing which is above my deserts.

**BEDE.** Thus then John proclaims the Lord not yet as God, or the Son of God, but only as a man mightier than himself. For his ignorant hearers were not yet capable of receiving the hidden things of so great a Sacrament, that the eternal Son of God, having taken upon Him the nature of man, had been lately born into the world of a virgin; but gradually by the acknowledgment of His glorified lowliness, they were to be introduced to the belief of His Divine Eternity. To these words, however, he subjoins, as if covertly declaring that he was the true God, *I baptize you with water, but he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost.* For who can doubt, that none other but God can give the grace of the Holy Ghost.

**JEROME.** For what is the difference between water and the Holy Ghost, who was borne over the face of the waters? Water is the ministry of man; but the Spirit is ministered by God.

**BEDE.** Now we are baptized by the Lord in the Holy Ghost, not only when in the day of our baptism, we are washed in the fount of life, to the remission of our sins, but also daily by the grace of the same Spirit we are inflamed, to do those things which please God.

**JEROME.** Mark the Evangelist, like a hart, longing after the fountains of water, leaps forward over places, smooth and steep; and, as a bee laden with honey, he sips the tops of the flowers. Wherefore he hath shown us in his narrative Jesus coming from Nazareth, saying, *And it came to pass in those days, &c.*

**CHRYSOSTOM.** Forasmuch as He was ordaining a new baptism, He came to the baptism of John, which, in respect of His own baptism, was incomplete, but different from the Jewish baptism, as being between both. He did this that He might shew, by the nature of His baptism, that He was not baptized for the remission of sins, nor as wanting the reception of the Holy Ghost: for the baptism of John was destitute of both these. But He was baptized that He might be made known to all, that they might believe on Him and *fulfill all righteousness, which is keeping of the commandments*: for it had been commanded to men that they should submit to the Prophet's baptism.

**BEDE.** He was baptized, that by being baptized Himself He might show His approval of John's baptism, and that, by sanctifying the waters of Jordan through the descent of the dove, He might show the coming of the Holy Ghost in the laver of believers; whence there follows, *And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the Holy Spirit like a dove descending, and resting upon him.* But the heavens are opened, not by the unclosing of the elements, but to the eyes of the spirit, to which Ezekiel in the beginning of his book relates that they were opened; (Ezek. 1.) or this His seeing the heavens opened after baptism was done for our sakes, to whom the door of the kingdom of heaven is opened by the laver of regeneration.

**CHRYSOSTOM.** Or else, that from heaven sanctification might be given to men, and earthly things be joined to heavenly. But the Holy Spirit is said to have descended upon Him, not as if He then first came to Him, for He never had left Him; but that He might show forth the Christ, Who was preached by John, and point Him out to all, as it were by the finger of faith.

**BEDE.** This event also, in which the Holy Ghost was seen to come down upon baptism, was a sign of spiritual grace to be given to us in baptism.

**BEDE.** Well indeed in the shape of a dove did the Holy Ghost come down, for it is an animal of great simplicity, and far removed from the malice of gall, that in a figure He might show us that He looks out for simple hearts, and deigns not to dwell in the minds of the wicked.

**BEDE.** Now the Dove sat on the head of Jesus, lest anyone should think that the voice of the Father was addressed to John and not to Christ. And well did he add, *abiding on Him*; for this is peculiar to Christ, that the Holy Ghost once filling Him should never leave Him. For sometimes to His faithful disciples the grace of the Spirit is conferred for signs of virtue, and for the working of miracles, sometimes it is taken away; though for the working of piety and righteousness, for the preservation of love to God and to one's neighbor, the grace of the Spirit is never absent. But the voice of the Father showed, that He Himself, who came to John to be baptized with the others, was the very Son of God, willing to baptize with the Holy Spirit, whence there follows, *And there came a voice from heaven, Thou art my beloved Son, in thee I am well pleased.* Not that this informed the Son Himself of a thing of which He was ignorant, but it shows to us what we ought to believe.

**AUGUSTINE.** Wherefore Matthew relates that the voice said, *This is my beloved Son*; for he wished to shew that the words, *This is My Son*, were in fact said, that thus the persons who heard it might know that He, and not another, was the Son of God. But, if you ask, which of these two sounded forth in that voice, take which you will, only remember, that the Evangelists, though not relating the same form of speaking, relate the same meaning. And that God delighted Himself in His Son, we are reminded in these words, *In thee I am well pleased.*

6:30 a.m. Confessions

7 a.m. Mass

**Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 a.m. Confessions

7 a.m. Mass

**Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 a.m. Confessions

7 a.m. Mass

**Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 a.m. Confessions

7 a.m. Mass

**Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**

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**Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup>**

9 a.m. Confirmation Mass #1

11 a.m. Confirmation Mass #2

3 p.m. Confessions

4 p.m. Vigil Mass

**Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 a.m. Confessions

8 a.m. Mass

9:30 a.m. Confessions

10 a.m. Mass

6 p.m. Confessions

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