

Third Sunday of Advent

Readings: Reading of the Prophecy of Sophonias 3, 14-18; Reading of the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians 4, 4-7; Reading of the Holy Gospel according to Luke 3, 10-18São

"He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire"

Through baptism, a christian becomes a new creature (II Cor.5,17). Thus, he will live a new life (Rm.6,4) supported and helped by the grace of God.

Through Baptism, we become members of the Church, that received the '**mission to announce the Kingdom of God and to announce it to all peoples. It constitutes the seed and the beginning of that kingdom on earth**'".

As Aci Family, as parish communities and as baptised people, we are called to live this great ecclesial experience, to which we must respond with generosity, above all with openness of heart. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will make of this Synod a time of grace, during which, we will experience our **missionary vocation**, within the church.



Dear Friends of the ACI Family, Dear Sisters

This Sunday, the Church invites us to celebrate the joy of Jesus' coming. This may seem ironic, for we live in a time when the pandemic shows its capacity to cause death, and yet the proposal is to rejoice. This is only understandable if we live a mature faith, capable of discerning God's plans in the midst of life's problems. As Aci Family, we are called to collaborate in building a missionary Church.

ACI Family, gift of the Holy Spirit at the service of a Missionary Church

Warm regards,

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