

White garment.

The white garment of our baptism. It goes back a long way in our journey towards God.

Ephesians 4:24 tells us to put on the new person. Turn your backs on your old way of life and put on the “WHITE GARMENT OF CHRIST”.

We are called from our Baptism TO BE CHRIST TO OTHERS!

We know that if Jesus is going to do anything for His people, He will most likely do it through His followers. Those Christians who have by imitating Jesus been true to their baptism calling and have put on the “WHITE GARMENT OF CHRIST”.

The Church has taught us that there is a CHURCH TRIUMPHANT  
CHURCH MILITANT  
and a CHURCH SUFFERING

Today we celebrate the Church Triumphant. Those who have stayed true to their calling to be Christ to others. Those who have made the BEATITUDES their way of life. When we saw them, we saw Jesus. When they reached out to others, they did so as the hands and feet of Jesus.

“Blessed are **the poor in spirit,**  
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are **they who mourn,**  
for they will be comforted.  
Blessed are **the meek,**  
for they will inherit the land.  
Blessed are **they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,**  
for they will be satisfied.  
Blessed are **the merciful,**  
for they will be shown mercy.  
Blessed are **the clean of heart,**  
for they will see God.  
Blessed are **the peacemakers,**  
for they will be called children of God.  
Blessed are **they who are persecuted** for the sake of righteousness,  
for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you  
and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me.  
**Rejoice and be glad,**  
**for your reward will be great in heaven.”**

We are called to a higher dignity. We are called to go up that mountain that Jesus climbed, and be Jesus to all around us; so that when they see us, they see Jesus himself. So the words of St John will be true: when it is revealed, **we shall be like Him.**