



Above pictures: left: Fr. Jürgen Schmode baptizing Chloe Mae Gervan.

Above right: The Baptismal party, left to right: Abigail Colautti , Goldameir Ramos, Fr. Jürgen with Chloe, Fr. Jean Doucet, Mrs. Minerva & Mr. Robert Gervan, Mr. Kevin Gervan

Baptism of Chloe Mae Gervan

This family joined us in the summer through the recommendation of a co-worker - Mr. Linklater - and are regular members. Mr. & Mrs. Gervan have two children and are both working in Vancouver.

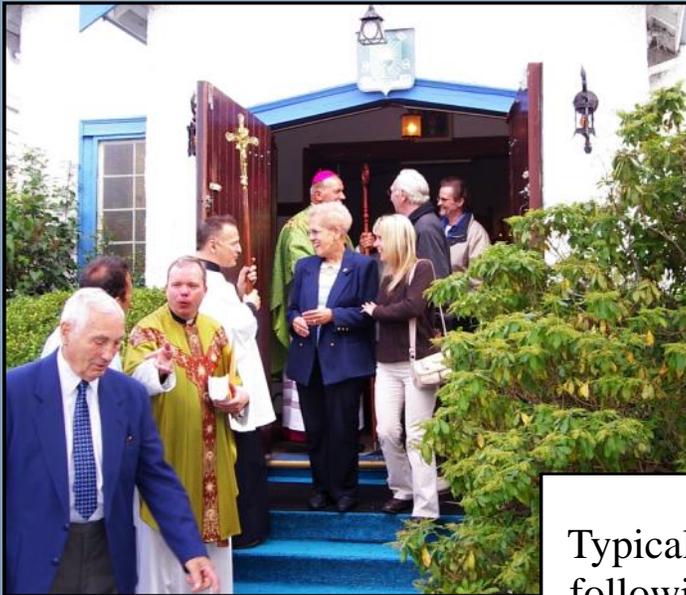
Mrs. Laura Fortin presents Sweetgrass to the Church

The Fortin family has been attending our Church for over 20 years. They are Métis originally from Winnipeg, Manitoba. She brought a special gift: Sweetgrass. In the First Nation tradition it is a sacred plant, and used in peace and healing rituals. Leaves are dried and made into braids and burned as vanilla-scented incense. In Europe Sweetgrass was strewn before church doors on saints' days in northern Europe, because of the sweet smell that arose when it was trodden.

The Picture on the second page show the members leaving the Church; the bread is distributed and pictures are taken.

below pictures: left: the box with Sweetgrass, a present from Mrs. Laura Fortin, seen in the right picture between Fr. Jürgen and Bishop Gérard LaPlante. She was accompanied by her grandson.





Typical Sunday following Holy Mass

