

## **Ecumenical Policy**

These are all the core doctrines that all must affirm in order to be considered Christian

All who affirm the fundamental doctrines are received as Christians in full communion:

- the transforming power of Baptism;
- the Real presence of Christ in the Eucharist;
- the perpetual virginity
- the faithful witness of Mary, mother of God, in God's plan of salvation
- the truth of the Nicene Creed;
- the truth that no one is predestined to heaven or hell
- and the call to repentance and self-denial.
- Acknowledgment of early church tradition as authoritative
- the truth that saintly intercession is not idolatry
- Acknowledgment that icons are not idolatry or false worship

Any who reject these foundations or refuse to live in repentance do not stand within the unity of the Church.

intercession of the Saints is not required in practice You do not have to View early church tradition as infallible you have to interpret the Bible through it You don't have to venerate icons you don't have to accept the Council of Caledon and you don't have to accept the Filioque