



THE LORD HAS FREED US FROM SIN.  
MAY HE BRING US SAFELY TO HIS KINGDOM  
IN HEAVEN. GLORY TO HIM FOREVER.

- *Proclamation of Praise*  
From the RITE OF PENANCE

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Dear Parent,

Your child is taking a most important step in this journey of faith in receiving the sacrament of reconciliation for the first time. Our Catholic Church is a sacramental Church, and this sacrament of reconciliation is a wonderful gift Christ has given to us. It is a gift of forgiveness and of knowing we can begin anew, a gift of hope as we grow stronger in living God's will, and a precious gift of faith in renewing our commitment to be followers of Jesus Christ.

I encourage you to help your child appreciate the sacrament of reconciliation by modeling how important it is in your own faith life and by ensuring that he or she continue to receive the sacrament regularly.

May God bless you and your child most abundantly.

Faithfully in Christ,

  
+ *Timothy M. Dolan*

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