

# The Parish of Immaculate Conception & Assumption of Our Lady

Church and Rectory:  
53 Winter Hill Road  
Tuckahoe, NY 10707

Church and Fr. Fata Hall:  
125 Wallace Street  
Tuckahoe, NY 10707

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## Pastoral Staff

Rev. Anthony Sorgie, *Pastor*  
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## Parish Staff

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**Parish Office** -- (914) 961-3643

**Hours:** Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM  
*During the pandemic, there are no office hours  
on Saturday or Sunday.*

**Holy Mount Cemetery** -- (914) 961-3643

**Hours:** Daily 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

## Weekday Masses:

*(recitation of the Rosary before Mass)*

### Monday - Friday:

7:30 AM at Assumption

8:30 AM • 12:00\* PM at Immaculate Conception

**Saturday:** 8:30\* AM at Immaculate Conception

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mondays and First Fridays after the 12:00 PM Mass  
at Immaculate Conception with Benediction at 3:00 PM

## Weekend Masses

**Saturday, Assumption:** 4:00 PM

**Saturday, Immaculate Conception:** 5:00\* PM

**Sunday at Immaculate Conception:**

8:00 AM • 10:00\* AM • 12:00 PM

**Sunday at Assumption:** 9:00 AM • 11:30 AM (Spanish)

**Spanish Mass/Misa en Español:**

11:30 AM at Assumption (*todos los Domingos*)

**Bilingual Italian/English Mass/Messa in Italiano:**

9:00 AM at Assumption (*first Sunday of the month*)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday, 4:00-5:00 PM at Immaculate Conception;

3:30-3:55 PM at Assumption; and

anytime by calling the priest on duty: (914) 961-3643.

\* *Livestreaming Masses:* [www.icaparish.org/livestream](http://www.icaparish.org/livestream)



*"Multiplication of the Loaves and Fishes — Feeding the Multitudes,"  
Icon, Church of St. Elijah; From the library of J. Patrick Publishing, Co.*

August 2, 2020



Eighteenth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

## Prayers for our Parishioners

### Mass Intentions

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, *Vigil*, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm Joseph Jr., Anna Maria,  
and Joseph Martin Marinello Mem.  
5:00 pm Assunta Cristini Mem.

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Michael, Antoinette, and Ralph Pinelli Mem.  
9:00 am Joseph and Maria Marcocchia Mem.  
10:00 am The Packes, Lopilato and Lazzaro Families;  
Ruthanne Jawski and Linda Curto Mem.  
11:30 am Intentions of our Parishioners Mem.  
12:00 pm Mary "Mae" O'Connor Birthday Mem.

#### MONDAY, AUGUST 3

7:30 am Rosemary Connolly Mem.  
8:30 am Salvatore Vasi Mem.  
12:00 pm Joseph Jr., Anna Maria,  
and Joseph Martin Marinello Mem.

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 4 St. John Vianney, Priest

7:30 am Ronald Lockhart Mem.  
8:30 am John N. Romano Mem.  
12:00 pm Maria Eramo Mem.

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

7:30 am Ann Blum Mem.  
8:30 am Joseph Falzon Mem.  
12:00 pm Pasquale C. D'Onofrio Mem.

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 6 The Transfiguration of the Lord

7:30 am Anna, Giovanna, and Frank Caporaso Mem.  
8:30 am Eileen Schmidt Mem.  
12:00 pm Connie and Paul Trombetta Mem.

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

7:30 am Paul D. Costa Mem.  
8:30 am Mary Ellen Martin Mem.  
12:00 pm Patrick Conlon Mem.

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

8:30 am Joseph Jr., Anna Maria,  
and Joseph Martin Marinello Mem.

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, *Vigil*, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm Mario Baldassarra Mem.  
5:00 pm Russ and Fran Mitchell Mem.

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Dominick Richichi Mem.  
9:00 am Ottavio and Maria Stirpe Mem.  
10:00 am The Deceased Members of the Gammon  
and Cepero Families; Mary O'Connor Mem.  
11:30 am Maria Minici Mem.  
12:00 pm Terry Falcone Mem.

*There is an appointed time for everything,  
and a time for every affair under the heavens.*

- Ecclesiastes 3:1

**A time to be Born:** *Baptisms ...*

Tessa Bulfamante, Valentina Rizzo, Evelyn Vaughan

**A time to Love:** *Banns of Marriage...*

II - George Rainaldi and Anna Leighton

III - John Joyce and Trisha Philpitt

**A time to Die:** *Those who have died...*

Alma Verrigni, Dolores Getzelman, Larry Vandak,  
Jean A. Fellmeth, Cornelius Malone, Jack Troncone,  
Dr. Jose Boyer, Vera Celestino Colombo, Phil White

**A time to Heal:** *Those who are ill...*

Vincent Bonnanzio, Richard Piluso, and Maria Rose  
D'Onofrio

**A time for War:** *And a time for Peace...*

For those in the military who have died in the  
service of our country.

### Unannounced Masses in July

Jose Boyer, Camille Carparelli,  
Ethel Knehr, Mildred Martinetti,  
Michael Tedeschi, Emiliano Mario Vitiello  
and Noreen O'Donoghue  
(*living, birthday remembrance*)

### Memorial Offerings: August 2-8, 2020

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE**  
at Immaculate Conception Church will

burn in memory of  
**Ronald Lockhart,**  
donated by Kathleen and  
Bill Humphries.

*For information on how to memorialize  
the Bread & Wine, Sanctuary Candle  
and Flower Arrangement,  
please call the parish office:*

**(914) 961-3643**



## From the Desk of Deacon Anthony Viola

### Saint-Making 101: A Tough Act to Follow

**W**e need to talk about becoming a saint with a lowercase "s": one of the millions of unnamed and unknown persons who have found God in their lives and loved God with all their minds, souls and hearts. You may know some of them. Perhaps, there is one sitting next to you, but none of us can *make* ourselves a saint. It is God who reaches out to us, not we who first choose God.

It is very Catholic and delightful, it seems to me, the way we feel so at home with the Saints and we not only admire them and ask their intercession with God for spiritual favors but also send them requests for the daily things of life.

St. Anthony of Padua is a good example. Some of us remember the little prayer/rhyme to him: "St. Anthony, St. Anthony, look around; something's lost that must be found."

Let me present to you a Saint whose Feast Day happens to be today. His life and devotions continue to inspire us, particularly during this stressful time of a worldwide pandemic. His name is St. Peter Julian Eymard.

St. Peter Julian knew that the Eucharist was key to helping Catholics live out their Baptism and preached, by word and example, the Good News of Jesus Christ. He was beatified in 1925 and canonized in 1962, one day after Vatican II's first session ended. St. Peter Julian truly deserves to be called an

outstanding Apostle of the Eucharist. In fact, his mission in the Church consisted of promoting the centrality of the Eucharistic Mystery in the whole life of the Christian community. His life was centered on the Eucharist, and he himself became a monstrosity: an instrument of showing the reality of the Presence of Jesus among us.

The French sculptor Auguste Rodin received counsel from St. Eymard when Rodin entered the Congregation as a lay brother in 1862, having given up art after the death of his sister. Rodin later produced a bust of St. Peter Julian Eymard (left).

As this worldwide pandemic of Coronavirus gets under better control, Adoration, Benediction and reception of the Eucharist is finally returning to our community. With the completion of The Divine Mercy Chapel in our Parish Center, devotions to the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction will be available on a more

frequent basis. Thanks for your help, St. Peter Julian.

We, too, must also recognize our call to holiness. There are no class distinctions in the Church or in the Christian life, nor are there any obstacles that prevent one from striving and achieving a deep spiritual life. We need to look at the obstacles and see them for what they are: *Opportunities!* There are enough opportunities, suffering, challenges and, above all, enough Grace for all of us to be as passionate about God as the Saints are.

*St. Peter Julian Eymard, pray for us.*



*St. Peter Julian Eymard, by Auguste Rodin.*

### Our Parish Mission Statement

The Roman Catholic Parish of Immaculate Conception and Assumption of Our Lady is a Eucharistic community: glorifying the Father, united with the Son, led by the Holy Spirit and protected by Mary. We are called to pray, educate and serve God's people in this life and in the hope of eternal life.



## Sacraments and Liturgy

If you have a question about any aspect of our Catholic Church and faith, contact us and we will answer to the best of our ability.



### 240. "Why do Catholics have to confess their sins to a priest? Can't we just be remorseful and confess our sins directly to God, instead of some intermediary?"

Confession of one's sins to another human being is, and always has been, an integral part of Christian life. For example, "Many of those who were now believers came [to St. Paul], confessing and divulging their practices" (Acts 19:18). And again in James 5:16 the Bible says, "[C]onfess your sins to one another...that you may be healed." So confessing our sins to one another is a Biblical teaching, but what about the question of a man forgiving sin?

Jesus tells doubters about two profound realities. The first is the gravity of sin itself (all too often downplayed by the sinner) and the full extent of the miraculous power required to forgive it. This point is illustrated by Christ's question to the scribes, "Which is easier? To say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk?'" Forgiving sin is actually a much greater task than curing physical paralysis.

The second reality revealed here is that Jesus Christ, the God-man, does have the power to forgive sin and exercised this power while He walked the Earth. And after His resurrection, He gave that same power to His Apostles: "Jesus said to them, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.'" (Jn 20:21-23)

This is where the Catholic practice of confessing sins to a priest and receiving absolution originates. Its basis is scriptural and its practice has been in existence from the very beginning of Christianity.

It is easy to see the wisdom in this sacrament. God often includes men in His plans (spreading the Gospel, praying and interceding for one another), including His plan of reconciling the sinner. And in light of our human nature, confessing to another human being demands a deeper level of sorrow for our failings.

### Next Weekend's Celebrants

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A

#### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

**Vigil, Saturday, August 8, 2020**

5:00 PM: Fr. André

**Sunday, August 9, 2020**

8:00 AM: Fr. Sorgie

10:00 AM: Fr. André

12:00 PM: Fr. Silva

#### ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY CHURCH

**Vigil, Saturday, August 8, 2020**

4:00 PM: Fr. Silva

**Sunday, August 9, 2020**

9:00 AM: Fr. Silva

11:30 AM: Fr. Sorgie (Spanish)

### Next Weekend's Readings

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A

#### Reading I: I Kings 19: 9a, 11-13a

The Lord orders Elijah to act as His servant. Then the Lord teaches the prophet that He comes in a "tiny whisper" and not in the expected ways of wind, earthquake and fire that Elijah might expect.

#### Reading II: Romans 9: 1-5

Paul laments that the Jews, his own brothers and kinsmen, have not accepted Jesus as the Messiah. Therefore, they have not entered into the new Covenant with Christ.

#### The Gospel: Matthew 14: 22-33

Jesus' solitary prayer models something for us, namely taking time out for silent solitary prayer each day. Then we hear of Jesus' famous walk on the water, prompting an impulsive Peter to jump in to greet his Lord, only to weaken through doubt. Jesus offers him a helping hand with a smile.

# Your Stewardship

## Giving During the Pandemic

During the COVID-19 pandemic, your safety is our first concern so we offer two ways to continue your stewardship:

### Give Online Through WeShare

While we have resumed public Masses, we urge all who can to please consider joining the convenient online **WeShare** automated giving program.



Visit [assumption-immaculate.churchgiving.com](http://assumption-immaculate.churchgiving.com) to set up automatic giving to keep our Parish ready and solvent to reopen with strength and speed when we can. After the page opens, look around **WeShare** at the collection opportunities and click on the yellow button, "Make a Donation," and follow directions.

### Envelope and Cash Collections; Mail-In or Drop-Off Donations

For those of you who have returned to Mass, you will have the opportunity to drop your envelopes and contributions at the offertory. Or:

- You can also place them in the donation boxes located in the Main Aisle of both churches when they are open. You can drop them off at the Rectory during our current office hours: Week-days, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM.
- You can place them in the donation box located in the back porch of the rectory (where H.O.P.E. food donations are dropped off) which will always be open.
- Lastly, you can mail your stewardship offerings directly to the Parish: Immaculate Conception & Assumption Parish, 53 Winter Hill Road, Tuckahoe, NY 10707

The Archdiocese of New York takes stewardship of your donations seriously. If you have knowledge of or reason to suspect misconduct, please report your concerns:

**(877) 820-0541 or on the internet at <http://www.reportlineweb.com/ADNY>**  
Both are available 24 hours per day.

## Stewardship: Weekend of July 19, 2020

### SUNDAY COLLECTION:

Church: .....	\$10,519.00
WeShare: .....	\$6,426.25
<b>TOTAL: .....</b>	<b>\$16,945.25</b>

### GOLD ENVELOPE DONATIONS for gym debt and extraordinary maintenance:

Church: .....	\$427.00
WeShare: .....	\$721.25
<b>TOTAL: .....</b>	<b>\$1,148.25</b>

## Weekend of July 26, 2020

*Because of a serious delay from the Tuckahoe Post Office, the accurate financials could not be posted at this time and will be posted next week.*



## Hooray!

**We have exceeded our goal.  
Fr. Sorgie is extremely proud of our parishioners — especially since this was done during a pandemic.**

**Goal: \$156,500.00**

**Pledged: \$157,531.00**

**Number of Gifts: 252**

**THANK YOU!**

## Thinking About Joining Our Parish?

Please register online:  
[www.icaparish.org/parish-registration](http://www.icaparish.org/parish-registration)

# Your Stewardship

## Holy Mount Cemetery: Model of the Terrace Gardens and Columbarium Makes Its Debut

We are weeks away from breaking ground on our new Holy Mount Columbarium. This project, when finished, will give our Parishioners -- and anyone else -- an opportunity to spiritually and respectfully have their loved

one's ashes rest intact on the Sacred Grounds of Holy Mount Cemetery. There will be 1,642 niches; some are already sold.

Each niche holds up to two urns of cremains, are available indoor or outdoor and at these prices:

Size	Price	Location <i>(see below)</i>
8"x8"	\$2,500	1
12"x12"	\$3,500	2, 3, 4
16"x16"	\$4,500	1

Please call Maria to reserve a niche(s) for you or your loved ones: (914) 961-3643, M-F 8:30 AM-4:30 PM. A 50% deposit is required for reservation.



1. The building with internal niches which will be called The Holy Mount Section
2. Shrine of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Section
3. Our Lady of the Assumption Terrace Section
4. St. Bernadette's Walkway Section

## Parish News and Prayers



### Help Other People Eat (HOPE)

#### The soup kitchen in New Rochelle

Our parish is assigned to the soup kitchen on the second Wednesday and the third Tuesday of each month. Volunteers prepare food for their choice of one or both dates, feeding 10-15 people.

Aluminum containers or plastic bags are available at the rectory porch for entrees. Please leave meals in the rectory porch on the assigned date no later than 2:30 PM. They are picked up by 2:45 PM.

As a family, choose a date that works best and serve others in this powerful way:

#### August 12 and 18

- Hot Dogs (beef /cooked)
- 2 Large Cans of Baked Beans
- 2 Large Bags of Mixed Green Salad & Bottle of Italian Dressing
- 2 Bags of 8 Hot Dog Rolls

### Introducing the RCIA to Others: We Need Your Help

#### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Experience has taught us that the single most effective method to encourage people who may want to become Catholic, or to complete their Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist), is by PERSONAL invitation from someone they know.

We already have four people for the RCIA class who will receive their Sacraments at the Easter Vigil, April 3, 2021.

This year, because of the COVID-19 virus, more than ever, we need you to reach out to those people -- your relatives, friends, or acquaintances. Fr. Sorgie asks



you, "the choir," who read the bulletin, check the website and get Flocknotes, to do just that. A gentle approach might be something like "Have you ever considered becoming a full member of the Church?" or "What's been holding you back from taking the next step?" or "Did you finish your Sacraments, make your Confirmation?" This can start a conversation that is encouraging and supportive.

Feel free to give anyone who asks more information the rectory phone number, (914) 961-3643, or our website, [icaParish.org](http://icaParish.org). God will surely bless your efforts. We will begin the RCIA this year in mid-September.

### Men: Join the Knights of Columbus — Special Offer until August 5

The Knights of Columbus invites all men 18 and older to become a 3rd Degree member by completing a 35-minute, online exemplification ceremony.

#### SPECIAL LIMITED-TIME MEMBERSHIP PROMOTIONAL OFFER:

For a 2-week period from Wednesday, July 22 through 11:59 PM ET on August 5, new members are being offered FREE ONLINE MEMBERSHIP for their first year. The Supreme Council will pay the first-year dues for every man who joins online between now and August 5.

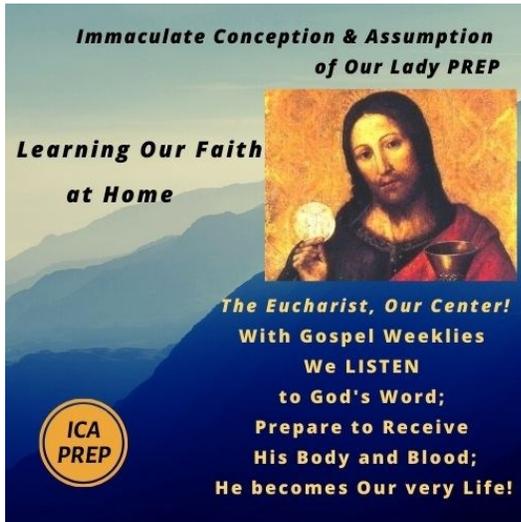
Prospects simply need to visit [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus) and enter the code **MCGIVNEY2020** to take advantage of this special offer.

Contact Membership Director John Larkin at [Johnsenior908@gmail.com](mailto:Johnsenior908@gmail.com) or (914) 629-7798.

You must be a practical Catholic (believe in and practice the teachings and beliefs of the Roman Catholic Church) and want to make Christ smile.



# Education



## PREP THIS YEAR:

1. **Sunday Mass:** In person, live-streamed at 5 PM on Saturdays and 10 AM on Sundays.
2. **Gospel Weeklies: The teaching tool to help parents share and teach the faith:**
  - Prepare your child for Mass
  - Provide engaging fun activities and crafts
  - Assess what s/he learned
3. **Video/live-stream sessions** occasionally with Fr. Sorgie, Sr. Cora and others

### REGISTRATION FEES

**Fees the Same for 5 years!**

- 1 child = \$300.00
- 2 children = \$375.00
- 3+ children = \$400.00

Go to <https://icaparish.org/ica-prep>  
Download, complete and mail the

**Registration Form** with full payment to the PREP Office or drop it off at the rectory.

**All registrations must be accompanied by payment.**

**NOTE: Two full years of preparation** and the Baptismal Certificate are a must

### CHILD ENTERING 1ST Grade?

Birth Certificate and Baptismal Certificate must be presented. Call for an appointment.

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL

Join the ICS Family!

#IncredibleCatholicSchool

Registration for 2020-2021 is ongoing for Immaculate Conception School in all grades Pre-K through 8th grade. Experience a Catholic elementary school that provides a faith-filled education with a focus on academic excellence through Blended Learning.

ICS is committed to the spiritual and personal development of the whole child through education, prayer, and service.

The ICS faculty and staff are supported by the Archdiocese of New York and the Parish of the Immaculate Conception and Assumption of Our Lady, and by the students' dedicated parents and families. Together as a faith community, we are committed to instilling compassion, confidence and a love of learning in every student. Visit us online to learn more! Or, contact us at (914) 961-3785.



### Website:

<https://icschoolonline.org/>

### Facebook:

<https://m.facebook.com/icstuckahoe>

### Instagram:

[https://www.instagram.com/immaculate\\_\\_conceptiontuck/](https://www.instagram.com/immaculate__conceptiontuck/)

### Twitter:

[https://mobile.twitter.com/icschool\\_online](https://mobile.twitter.com/icschool_online)

## La Comunidad Hispana

### Ayudemos a otras personas con sus alimentos (HOPE)

A nuestra parroquia se le ha asignado la cocina solidaria el segundo miércoles y el tercer martes de cada mes. Un grupo de voluntarios prepara los alimentos para la una o para las dos fechas para alimentar a 10 -15 personas.

Fuentes de aluminio y fundas de plástico están disponibles en la entrada del portal de la rectoría. Quienes decidan aceptar este voluntariado, por favor dejen los alimentos preparados en el portal Posterior de la rectoría durante el día asignado, no más tarde de las 2:30 PM, pues la comida es recogida a las 2:45 PM.

Escoja la fecha que sea más conveniente para su familia y forme parte de este poderoso servicio:

#### Menu para agosto 12 y 18

- Perros calientes de carne (cocinados)
- Dos fundas de pan para perros calientes
- Dos latas grandes de frijoles horneados
- Dos fundas grandes de ensalada y una botella de aderezo italiano

### Nuestra Misión

La Parroquia Católica Romana de la Inmaculada Concepción y Asunción de Nuestra Señora es una comunidad eucarística: glorificando al Padre, unida al Hijo, dirigida por el Espíritu Santo y protegida por María. Estamos llamados a orar, educar y servir al pueblo de Dios en esta vida y en la esperanza de la vida eterna.



### Pregúntale al padre

Si tiene preguntas acerca de cualquier aspecto de nuestra Fe o Religión Católica.

Deje una nota o llámenos y le responderemos de la mejor manera posible.

**240. “¿Por que Los Católicos tienen que confesar sus pecados a un sacerdote, podríamos solamente arrepentidos confesar nuestros pecados directamente a Dios, en lugar de con un intermediario?”**

Confesar nuestros pecados a otro ser humano, ha sido siempre parte integral de la vida Católica, por ejemplo: “Muchos de aquellos que no eran creyentes vinieron (a San Pablo) Confesando y divulgando sus practicas. (Hechos 19:18) y de nuevo en Sabtismo 5:16 la Biblia dice, “confiesa tus pecados a otro y serás sanado.” Entonces confesar nuestros pecados a otros, es una enseñanza bíblica, pero entonces y que, con la pregunta de un hombre perdonando los pecados?

Jesús habla a los excepticos de dos profundas realidades. La primera de la realidad de la gravedad del pecado mismo, y la inmensidad del milagro del perdonarlo. Cristo ilustra este punto a los escribas con una pregunta decir, ‘tus pecados te han sido perdonados,’ ? o decir ‘levántate y camina.’? Perdonar, es una tarea más grande que curar la parálisis física.

La segunda realidad revelada aquí es que Jesucristo, Dios hecho hombre tiene el poder de perdonar los pecados, El hizo uso de ese poder cuando estuvo sobre la tierra, y después de su resurrección. Jesús otorgó el mismo poder a sus apóstoles cuando les dijo: “la paz sea con ustedes, así como el Padre me envió, Yo les envío,” sopló sobre ellos y les dijo, “reciban El Espíritu Santo, los pecados que ustedes perdonen serán perdonados y los que no perdonen serán retenidos.”(Juan 20:21-23)

Aquí es donde, en la Iglesia Católica, se origina la práctica de confesar los pecados a un sacerdote y recibir la absolución. Sus bases se originan en la Escritura y su práctica existe desde el comienzo de la Cristiandad.

Es muy fácil ver la sabiduría de este sacramento. Dios a menudo incluye a los hombres en sus planes ( entregar el evangelio, rezar, interceder el uno por el otro ) incluyendo el plan del perdón a los pecados. Y para iluminar nuestra humanidad, se requiere un alto grado de arrepentimiento el confesar los pecados a otro ser humano.

