

WELCOME BACK



“The Garden of Your Heart”



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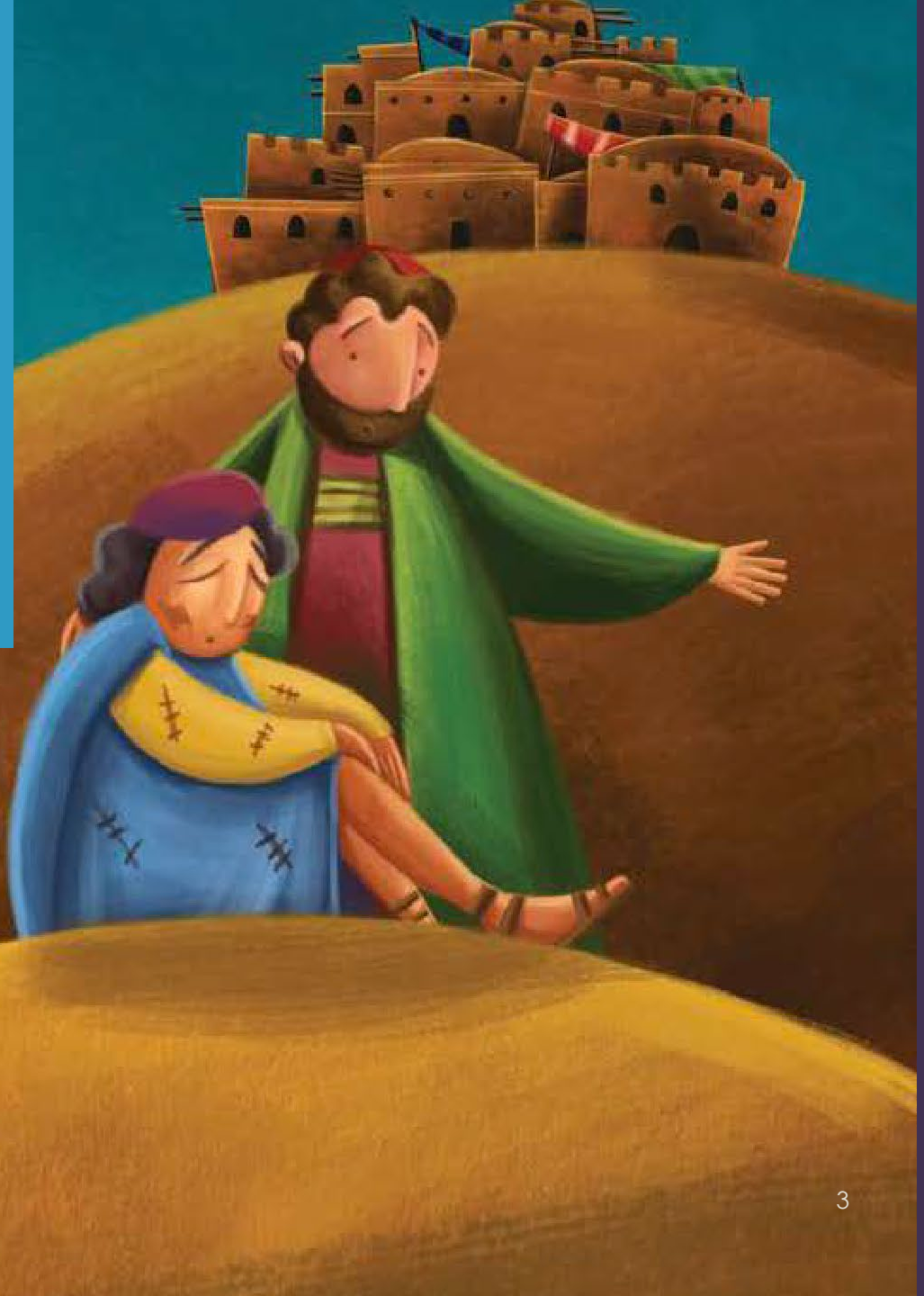
FRIENDS



Your Best Friend

Sometimes our friend upsets us.
But when they say that they are sorry,
we become better friends.
God is the BEST friend that we will ever have.

Even when we do things that we know are wrong,
we say that WE ARE SORRY and God is still our BEST friend



WHAT WILL FIRST RECONCILIATION LOOK LIKE?





WE 'EXAMINE OUR CONSCIENCE'

God has **BLESSED** you with a **CONSCIENCE**,
It is God's **GENTLE VOICE** inside you
that **HELPS YOU** make good choices.

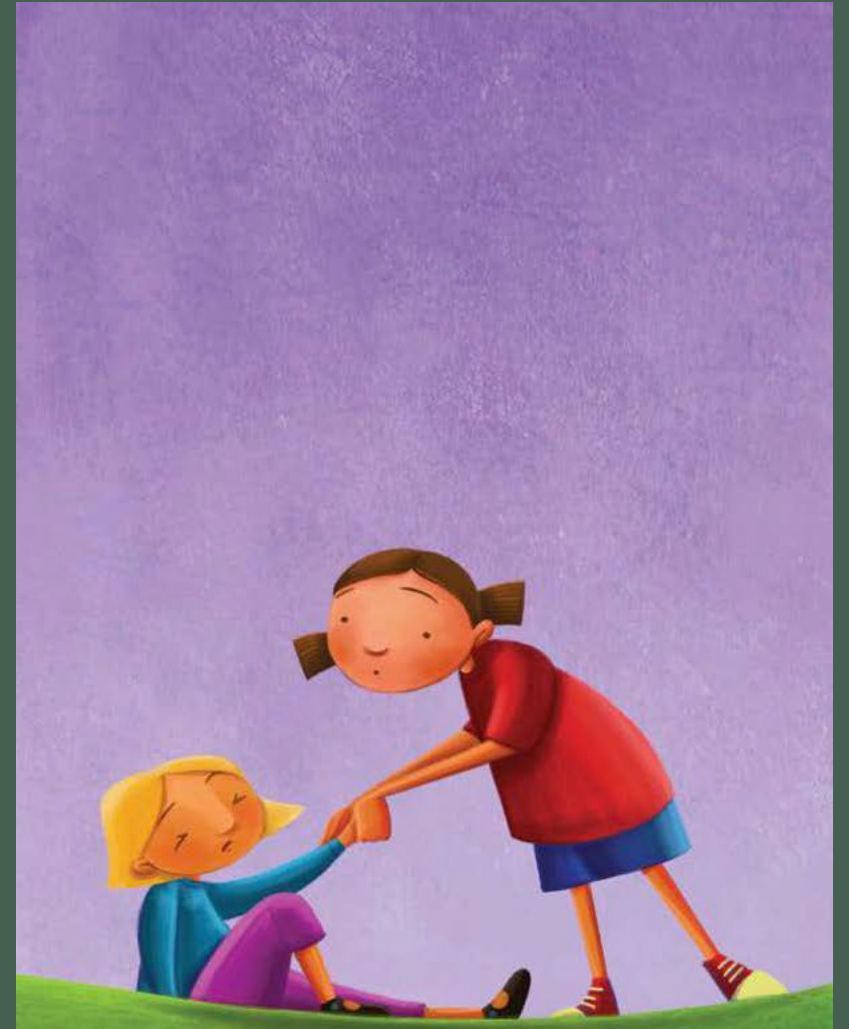
- Have I been a **good friend**?
- Do I **obey my parents**?
- **Do I cheat** in school or in games?
- Have I **told any lies**?
- Have I **used God's name** in ways that are not appropriate?
- Do I **participate in Mass** on livestreaming or in person each week?
- **Am I grateful** for the many gifts that God has given me?



WE CONFESS OUR SINS



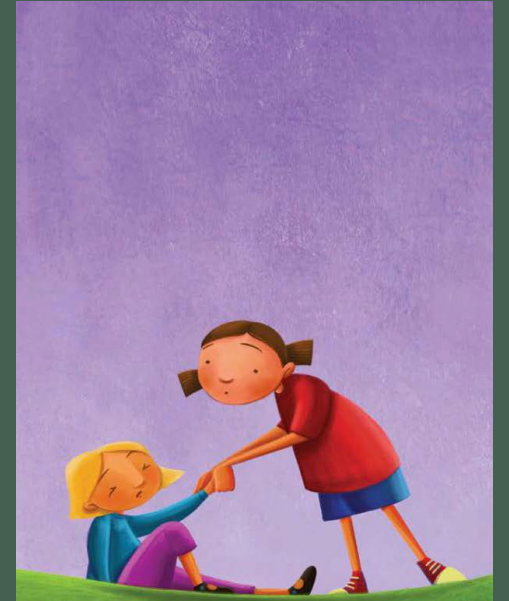
**HOW WE SAY
“WE’RE SORRY” TO
GOD AT OUR
RECONCILIATION**



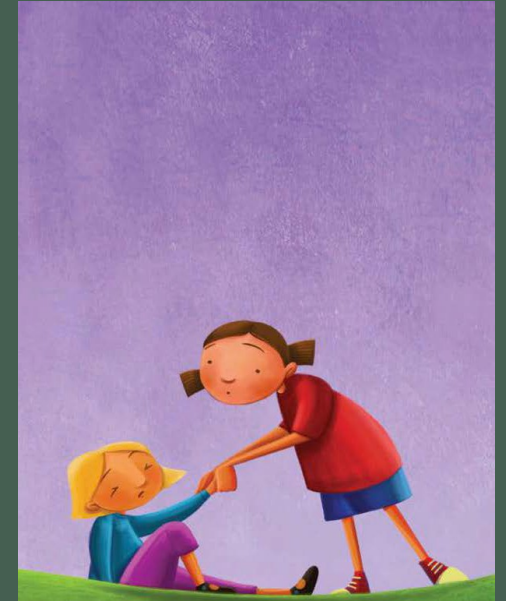
It's called the

ACT OF CONTRITION

My God,
I am sorry
for my sins
with all my heart



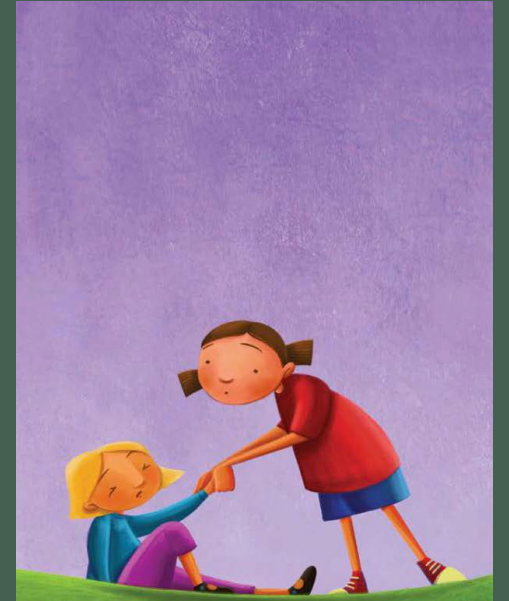
In choosing to do
wrong and failing
to do good. . .



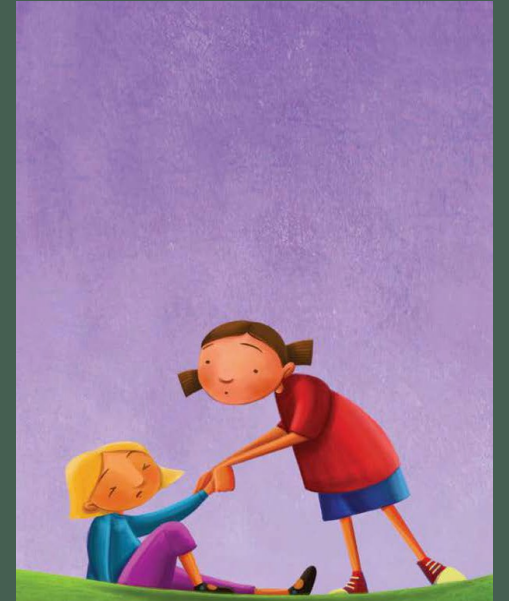
I have sinned
against you whom I
should love
above all things.



I firmly intend, with
your help, to do
penance, to sin no
more. . .



... and to avoid
whatever leads
me to sin.



Our Savior Jesus
Christ suffered and
died for us.



In his name,
my God,
have mercy



THE PRIEST OFFERS US ABSOLUTION



God, the Father of Mercies, through the death and resurrection of his Son, has reconciled the world to himself and sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins; through the ministry of the Church may God give you pardon and peace, and I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

You will say: AMEN

GOD
WILL
ALWAYS
LOVE
YOU



RECEIVE PENANCE DO PENANCE





1st Reconciliation GATHERINGS at 6pm

IN-PERSON: *Tues, Dec 5 : practice/prayer*

ZOOM: *Tues, Dec 13 – What's next?*

Family Activity Opportunity!

Family Advent Event
Sun, Dec 6 @ 12-1pm





CELEBRATION

SAT, DEC 10

@St. Joseph's Church

10 or 11:30 am

Sign up for a time online



QUESTIONS & COMMENTS

P R E P A R E !



It is very important to ‘be ready’.

Prayer

Magnificat



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The background of the slide features a dark, moody scene with several lit candles. The candles are in various stages of being burned, with some showing significant melting. The light from the candles creates a warm, golden glow. In the background, there are out-of-focus lights, likely from Christmas trees or festive decorations, creating a bokeh effect with soft, circular light spots. The overall atmosphere is serene and celebratory.

*God's
Blessing
to All!*