

Reconciliation Questions

1. Q When and how does God love me?
A *God loves me all the time, just the way I am.*
2. Q How do I show that I love God?
A *I pray. I ask forgiveness. I take part in worship. I show love for others.*
3. Q How do I show God that I love myself?
A *I care for myself. I learn about God and about our world. I play and I work.*
4. Q How do I show God that I love others?
A *I pray for others. I help others.*
5. Q How do I sin?
A *I sin by being selfish and thinking of myself first. I sin by choosing to do things that turn me away from God's love.*
6. Q How does God want me to forgive others?
A *God wants me to forgive others as God forgives me. The Our Father tells me this.*
7. Q How and when does God forgive my sins?
A *God forgives me totally when I am sorry for my sins. At prayer and at Mass and during the sacrament of reconciliation I ask God to forgive me.*
8. Q What is the sacrament of reconciliation?
A *Reconciliation means "making up," and this sacrament is the way the Church offers us the forgiveness of Jesus.*
9. Q How do I celebrate this sacrament?
A *I pray. I confess my sins. I tell God I am sorry. The priest offers me the forgiveness of Jesus.*
10. Q What is absolution?
A *Absolution means that my sins are forgiven during the sacrament of reconciliation. The priest makes the sign of the cross over me and tells me in Jesus' name that I am "absolved" of my sins. I answer, "Amen."*