

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

1. Priest and child greet one another and make the sign of the Cross together
2. Priest says a short prayer
3. Child says this is my first Reconciliation and **confesses** sins:

I'm sorry for.....

I'm sorry for all of my sins....

4. Priest talks to the child and gives a **Penance**
5. Child recites 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. Amen.

6. Priest gives the child **absolution** and a blessing.