

Home Guide for First Reconciliation 2020-2021	
Complete date _____	<p>For Parent: Getting ready to teach: <input type="checkbox"/> Watch this video whether this is a refresher or an introduction, this film creatively walks you through the Sacrament of Reconciliation in a way that will stick with you. How to go to Confession?</p> <p>For Child & Parent: <input type="checkbox"/> Know the different names of the Sacrament of Reconciliation Names: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also known as the Sacrament of Penance. When we tell or confess our sins to a priest, it is also called the Sacrament of Confession.</p> <p>Read Bible Story ❖ The Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32) Find it in your Children's Bible on page 1620 -1621. 1. Read the story 2. Explain the story on page 1621 3. Talk to your child by using the questions on the LIVE IT! 4. Challenge your child to retell the story</p>
Complete date _____	<p>Read Bible Story ❖ Love is the Greatest Commandment (Mark 12: 28-31) Find this bible story in your Children Bible on page 1556</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read the story • Explain the story on page 1557 • Talk to your child by using the questions on page 1557 LIVE IT! • Challenge your child to retell the story <p>Share these Model of Love and Forgiveness throughout the time you prepare your child for Reconciliation. ❖ Talk to your child about forgiving others.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk about what went wrong. Admit wrongdoing. Say you are sorry. • Say a prayer asking for forgiveness or leave a note of forgiveness. • Do not go to bed angry with one another. • Talk openly and honestly. Avoid blaming on another. • Make your home a place a reconciliation-love and forgive day by day. • Go to Mass together on Sundays. Notice the times we talk about forgiveness at Mass.
Complete date _____	<p>Teaching your child, the different between Mistakes, Accidents, and Sins.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ When something happens and we <u>didn't mean it</u> to, that is called an accident. ○ When we make a wrong choice or give a wrong answer because we <u>didn't know</u> the right choice or answer, that is called a mistake. ○ When we do something that we know God told us <u>not to do</u>, that is called a sin. <p>Worksheet: Accident, Mistake, or Sin</p> <p>Read Bible Story ❖ The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37) Find this bible story in your Children Bible on page 1606</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read the story • Explain the story on page 1608 • Talk to your child by using the questions on page 1608 LIVE IT! • Challenge your child to retell the story

Complete date _____	Teaching your child about Examination of Conscience. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is examination of conscience? It is when we ask ourselves whether we have sinned, either by doing something that we know is against God's law or by not doing something that God's law calls us to do. <p><input type="checkbox"/> Watch this video: how to do examination of conscience</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Learn this: 5 Steps to a good confession</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Practice & pretend going to confession: Confession Role Play</p>	
	Read Bible Story <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Peter Denies Knowing Jesus (Luke 22:54-60) <p>Find this bible story in your Children Bible on page 1640</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read the story Explain the story on page 1641 Talk to your child by using the questions on page 1641 LIVE IT! Challenge your child to retell the story 	
Complete date _____	Pray and Teach Prayers: pray daily as a family. Be sure your child knows the following prayers and the names of the prayers	1. Act of Contrition 2. The Sign of the Cross 3. Prayers that could be given as a penance: The Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be
	Learn the Act of Contrition <i>Choose one of the 2 forms below to teach your child</i>	
	Act of Contrition (traditional form) O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen.	Act of Contrition (alternate form) 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.
	Determine Readiness for First Reconciliation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Is your child ready? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No ❖ Is he/she excited & prepared to celebrate this Sacrament? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No 	
	Reconciliation Retreat: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> March 20 at 1 pm – PCC March 27 at 1 pm – PCC <p>Choose the date that works for your child and family. One parent is required to be at this retreat for entire time.</p>	

We are excited to be part of this year preparation for your child's first Sacrament of Reconciliation and Eucharist. if you have any questions email or call at thoang@stgens.org 651-426-1818 and please return this form to us at the Reconciliation Retreat. Thank you!