

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

**SONG:** see *Penance & Reconciliation* section of your worship resource

**GREETING**

**OPENING PRAYER**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

**FIRST READING**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

A *Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15*  
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B *Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19*  
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**SECOND READING**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

A *Respond & Acclaim*  
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B *(For use during Lent)*

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**GOSPEL READING**

**HOMILY**

**RITE OF RECONCILIATION**

**EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE**

Let us pray.  
Heavenly Father, we are your people  
redeemed by the precious blood of your only Son;  
as we come to celebrate the wonder of your merciful forgiveness,  
help us to examine our consciences  
that we might acknowledge our sinfulness with humility and contrition.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

As we listen to Jesus' words, let us ask his forgiveness for the times when we have failed to live his word.

"If you forgive the faults of others, your heavenly Father will forgive you yours.  
If you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive you."  
*(Matthew 6:14-15)*

**Forgive us, Lord, for times when we have failed to forgive our brothers and sisters; for times when we have harbored grudges in our hearts; for times when we have chosen to be petty and selfish.**

"No man can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other or be attentive to one and despise the other. You cannot give yourself to God and money."  
*(Matthew 6:24)*

**Forgive us, Lord for being too attached to our possessions; for being too concerned about the things of this world; for being selfish with the gifts you have given us; for failing to respond to the needs of our poor brothers and sisters.**

"Treat others the way you would have them treat you: this sums up the law and the prophets."  
*(Matthew 7:12)*

**Forgive us, Lord, for failing to treat one another with respect; for failing to see your presence in those with whom we share our lives; for failing to acknowledge that we are all children of a common Father.**

**GENERAL CONFESSION OF SINS**

My brothers and sisters, confess your sins and pray for each other, that you may be healed.

**I confess to almighty God,  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have sinned through my own fault (etc.)**

The Lord is merciful. He makes us clean of heart and leads us out into his freedom when we acknowledge our guilt. Let us ask him to forgive us and bind up the wounds inflicted by our sins.

All stand and say or sing a litany asking for the Lord's mercy and forgiveness.

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Refrain: 1st time: Cantor, All repeat; thereafter: All

Lead us to act just - ly. Lead us to love ten-der-ly.

Intercessions: Cantor

Lead us to walk hum - bly. Lord, hear our prayer.

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Let us now pray to God our Father in the words Christ gave us, and ask him for his forgiveness and protection from all evil.

**Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

Lord,  
draw near to your servants  
who in the presence of your Church  
confess that they are sinners.  
Through the ministry of the Church  
free them from all sin  
so that renewed in spirit  
they may give you thankful praise.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

**PROCLAMATION OF PRAISE:** e.g., "Magnificat" or other songs in Praise  
section of your worship resource

## CONCLUDING PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## CONCLUDING RITE

## BLESSING

## DISMISSAL

## RITE OF PENANCE: RECONCILIATION

