

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation

November 10, 2026

The Parish of St. John the Baptist

In the city of Harrison, Ohio

Order of the Liturgy

Gathering Rite

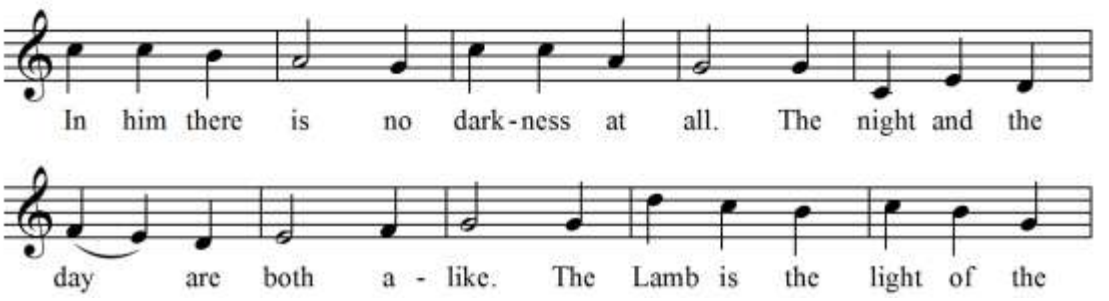
Gathering Song *(Please stand.)*

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light HOUSTON

Verses:



Refrain:





Text: Eph 5:8-10, Rev 21:23, Jn 12:46, 1 Jn 1:5, Heb 12:1; Kathleen Tomerson, b. 1934, © 1970, 1975, Celebration.
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Greeting

Grace and peace be with you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ who laid down his life for our sins.

R/. And with your spirit.

Opening Prayer *(Please remain standing following the prayer.)*

Liturgy of the Word

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia 11 Berthier/Taizé

Refrain:



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Gospel Dialog

The Lord be with you.

R/. And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

R/. Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Your brother was dead and has come to life again.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily *(Please be seated.)*

Rite of Reconciliation

Examination of Conscience & Litany of Sorrow *(Please kneel.)*
A child and parent lead us through questions that invite us to reflect on our relationship with God and each other. At points throughout we sing the acclamation below:



**Lord, have mercy.*

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Act of Contrition

O, my God,
I am heartily sorry
for having offended you,
and I detest all my sins
because of your just punishment,
but most of all
because they offend you, my God,
who are all good
and deserving of all my love.
I firmly resolve,
with the help of your grace,
to sin no more
and to avoid the near occasions of sin. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS AND ABSOLUTION *(Please be seated.)*

Six priests will be available throughout the church to celebrate the sacrament with you. Teachers and other ministers of hospitality will guide you to the locations and where to form lines.

^Fr. Paul Ruwe – Cry Room

^Fr. David Reilly – Conference Room

^Fr. George Schmitz – Vesting Sacristy

Fr. Dressman – Reconciliation Room

^Fr. Seher – Main Sacristy (back)

*Fr. DiFolco – Music Room

Line 1

- Fr. Ruwe
- Fr. Reilly
- Fr. Seher

Line 2

- Fr. DiFolco

Line 3

- Fr. Dressman
- Fr. Schmitz
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^ face-to-face and anonymous * face-to-face only

Song of Praise for God's Mercy (please stand)

Sin hurts our relationship with God and with our brothers and sisters in Christ. God's mercy heals those relationships and so we respond with praise. We sing the words of Mary's song of praise to God who chose her to do great things by being Jesus' mother. We are also called to do

great things by God and the grace we receive in Reconciliation helps us.

My Soul Rejoices Farrell



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Concluding Rite

Concluding Prayer

Blessing & Dismissal

FIRST PENITENTS 2026

Brody Ante
Beau Balsley
Hank Balsley
Blake Becker
Langston Beerman
Liam Bischoff
Layla Bosch
Lane Bridwell
Zachary Cable
Payton Chwalek
Brooks Crosby
Violet Curry
Korben Dixon
Isabella Gapinski
Reagan Gardner
Everett Gober
Edward Grimm
Lucas Gunther
Audrey Jeannet
Saylor Knose
Nixon Lake
Tatham Lake
Andrew Loch
Thomas McManus
Della Metz
Raegan Meyers
Kai Miller
McKenna Miller
Jane Muchmore
Maisie Pollock
Christina Popov
Bentley Rapien
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