

IN OUR MFF CLASSES,
WHAT DO WE TEACH CHILDREN ABOUT RECONCILIATION?

Grade 2: Sin is a non loving action. When you do something you know is wrong, that is a sin. God, however, always forgives us anytime we ask for forgiveness. In the Church, we have a special sacrament that celebrates God's forgiveness. It is called Reconciliation.

Grade 3: Sin is a thought, word, or action that is against God's law. Sin is always a choice. That is why mistakes and accidents are not sins. The words: mortal and venial sin, conscience, penance and absolution are introduced.

Grade 4: Each of the Ten Commandments is studied this year. Children learn how to examine their conscience. Time is spent learning the difference between a sin, a mistake and an accident. The words: mortal and venial sin, conscience, penance and absolution are developed. We teach that GOD ALWAYS forgives.

Grade 5: Each of the sacraments is studied in depth. The children learn that the Sacrament of Reconciliation strengthens their relationship with God and with others. The sacrament celebrates the reality of God's forgiveness.

Grade 6: The Old Testament is studied in detail as 6th graders learn to use the Scriptures to understand God's love for the world and God's love for us. Reconciliation is taught in the context of God's on going, forever available forgiveness. People of today, as well as people of generations past, live with God as part of a relationship or covenant.

The EDGE Program Grades 7 & 8: Over the 2 year cycle (Catechetical or Summer) our Jr. High Teens will learn the Power of Forgiveness in a number of EDGE sessions taught in the courses offered. Real Life situations are used to teach how asking for forgiveness and becoming a Person of Peace is necessary in everyday life. There are Good & Bad Consequences for the choices we make.