
CERTIFICATE IN CATHOLIC STUDIES (C.C.S.)

CCS-065 CONFESSION: THE SACRAMENT OF MERCY

COURSE OUTLINE

Confession: The Sacrament of Mercy - Catholics are reminded in a personal way of the beauty and power of reconciliation. Gospel passages bring forward the themes of mercy, forgiveness of sins, and conversion, which are at the heart of Jesus' teaching. This scriptural study is coupled with a deeper reflection on the Catholic Tradition and pastoral ministry of the sacrament, and what it means to Christian disciples.

Course Structure and Highlights

[Lesson 1: Introduction](#)

[Lesson 2: Jesus' Forgiveness of Sins](#)

[Lesson 3: A Father and Two Sons](#)

[Lesson 4: A Father's Compassion](#)

[Lesson 5: Of Debts and Debtors](#)

[Lesson 6: We Forgive Our Debtors](#)

[Lesson 7: The Gift of the Spirit and Forgiveness of Sins](#)

[Lesson 8: The Words of Forgiveness](#)

[Lesson 9: Through the Ministry of the Church](#)

[Lesson 10: The Sacrament of Reconciliation in Pastoral Ministry](#)

Textbooks

[Confession: The Sacrament of Mercy](#). Pastoral Resources for Living the Jubilee. Our Sunday Visitor Publishing Division, 2015.

References

[The Holy Bible](#).

Assessment

Confession: The Sacrament of Mercy consists of ten lessons and ten assignments, as well as weekly discussions; with each assignment weighted at 10% (percent) of the total grade. Completion of the entire course is determined by either a pass or fail.

Technical Skills and Equipment Requirements

1. You must have Internet access. A high-speed connection, either ADSL or cable, is recommended.
2. You should know how to use a web browser to navigate the web to locate educational resources and download files.
3. You will need the files management skills necessary to create directories, to save files and to retrieve files.