

## **Today is the Day!**

We have learned many things in the last several weeks. We should always remember that Jesus our Good Shepherd leads us to reconciliation with God and others. Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we experience how much God loves us and how good it feels when we experience God's loving forgiveness. This journey is never-ending – we can always seek forgiveness from God our Father and begin anew – what a wonderful and glorious gift!

Please review the sacramental guide sheet from last week with your child just to calm them. Try to encourage them to relax, listen and enjoy the communal service. It truly is a celebration of God's forgiving love.

Please meet in the Church no later than 9:45 A.M., Saturday, February 11,2017. You may choose to sit wherever you would like.

Prayer:

*Loving and forgiving God, your light and forgiveness always surround me.*

*Thank you for the people You have given me, who show me how to live, who teach me about thoughtfulness and generosity, who forgive me, like You do.*

*Each time I experience your forgiveness, especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, I know how much I am loved; I want to keep growing - I want to live just like Jesus.*

*Thank you, Loving God, for your mercy and forgiveness. Help me to always live what I pray, through Jesus your Son.*

*Amen.*