



## Archdiocese of New Orleans

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**To: Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Archdiocese of New Orleans**

**Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:**

**It is our archdiocesan tradition to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation, better known as confession, on a weekday evening near the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. I am pleased to inform you that many people in the Archdiocese of New Orleans have taken advantage of this opportunity and the priests have decided to continue this practice.**

**This year confessions will be available in all Catholic churches in the Archdiocese of New Orleans on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 from 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM. Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity to invite the healing Christ into your heart with his promise of mercy.**

**Pope Francis reminds us, “God is a Father and he is always waiting for us! It is so wonderful to feel the merciful embrace of the Father in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The confessional is a place of mercy.”**

**Please consider having your family come to church together for Confession on Wednesday, September 13.**

**Wishing you God’s blessings, I am**

**Sincerely in Christ,**

**Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond  
Archbishop of New Orleans**

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