

# AN INVITATION

*To God's Mercy: Part 1  
with Fr. Josh Johnson*

## *Group Questions*

1. What struck you from this week's episode?
  2. Share your experience with the sacrament of reconciliation. Are there any experiences of healing and restoration you would like to share with your small group?
  3. Where have you felt you needed to cover or hide yourself when coming before the Lord? How does the word 'uncovered' shed a new light on confession as opposed to 'exposed'?
1. What can you do as a group to encourage one another to respond to the invitation to God's mercy this Lent?

## *Lectio Divina*

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." - 1 John 1:9

## *Journal Questions*

1. What shame, fears, or lies about yourself or God keep you from experiencing God's mercy through the sacrament of reconciliation?
2. What is God inviting you to let go of in order to receive mercy?
3. Take some time to pray through John 21:1-19 and imagine yourself in the place of Peter. What words can you imagine Jesus speaking to you after confession and repentance for your sins?

## *Quote to Ponder*

"When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy." - St. Faustina