

# Introductory Reflection

- I am not perfect. There are things I have done that I regret because they hurt my friends, my family, and my God. I can even do things to hurt myself.
- Yet God is so much bigger than my imperfections, my moments of weakness, and my sins.
- None of us is perfect, and that's why we need God.
- God, who is kind, merciful, compassionate, forgiving, and loving, always holds the door to God's house open for us to return when we have strayed.
- Let us remember that God offers us a comforting embrace to say "I'm sorry" for those things that separate us from God and one another.
- Let us turn to God, who yearns to be in a lasting relationship with each of us.
- Let us quench our thirst for the closeness of God as we bring our imperfect selves to God, who will create us anew in the sacrament of Reconciliation.