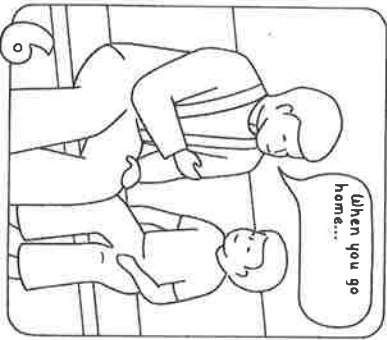
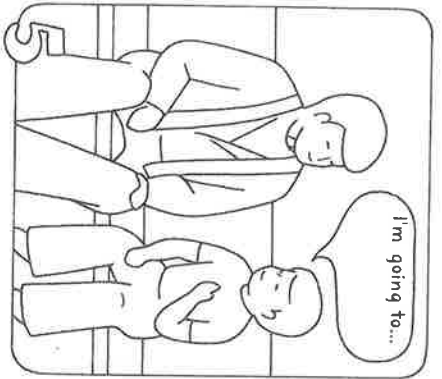
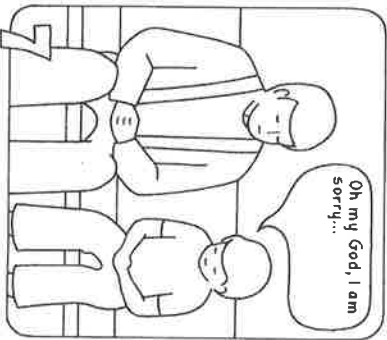


Sometimes we talk about these things and try to figure out how I can change and be more like Jesus.

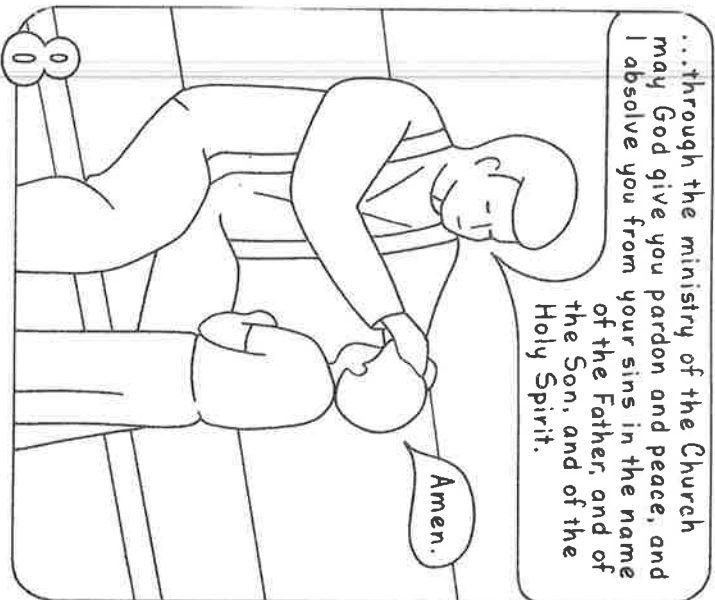


The priest tells me something to do to help make up for what I did and to help me grow in love. This is called a penance.

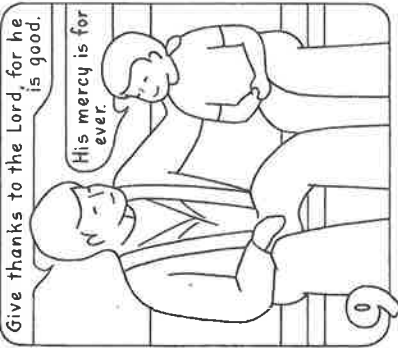
Then I tell him and God how sorry I am that I have sinned. I can use my own words or say a prayer that I already know.



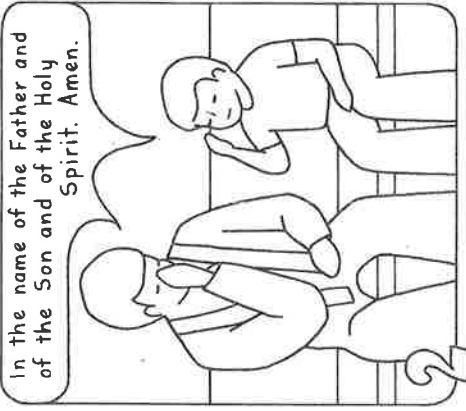
Then the priest says the words of forgiveness that I have been waiting to hear.



I am very close to God and my brothers and sisters.

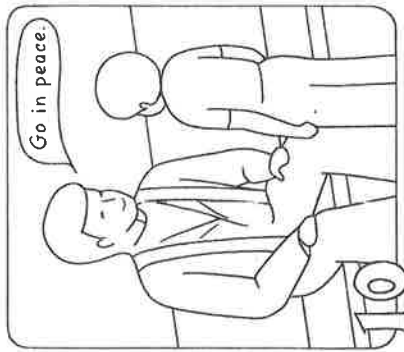


We both praise  
God for being  
so good.

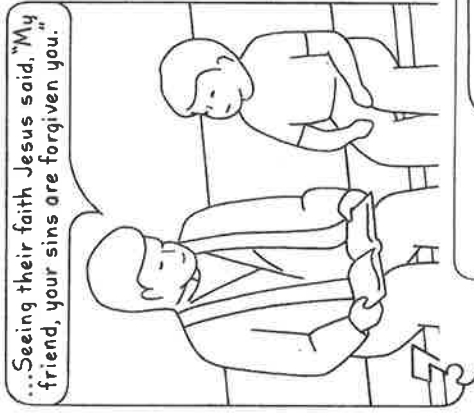


We begin the  
Sacrament of  
Reconciliation  
by praying  
together.

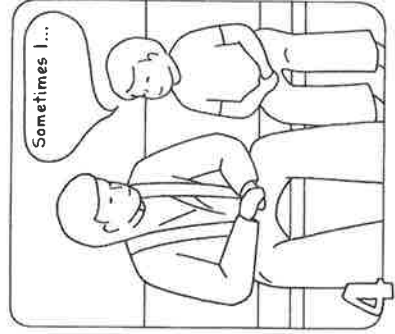
Then I tell him  
that this is my  
first confession.



And my heart  
is glad again.



Sometimes the  
priest helps me  
remember Jesus'  
words about  
forgiveness.



Then I tell him  
about the times  
I did not love  
God and others.  
He listens and  
understands. He  
is big now but  
once he was a  
child like me.

