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## **Memorandum**

To: All Parishes

From: Archbishop Richard Gagnon + R.G.

Date: December 11, 2020

Re: The Sacrament of Reconciliation or Counselling

The most recent public health orders for the Province of Manitoba which take effect at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, December 12, 2020, include provision for health care and social services for churches.

“16(5) This Order does not prevent the premises of a church, mosque, synagogue, temple or other place of worship from being used by a public or private school or for the delivery of health care, child care or social services.”

([https://www.gov.mb.ca/asset\\_library/en/proactive/2020\\_2021/orders-soe-12092020.pdf](https://www.gov.mb.ca/asset_library/en/proactive/2020_2021/orders-soe-12092020.pdf))

This means that appointments for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, as well as counselling, can be made available to parishioners. Please inform your parish community.

Thank you very much.