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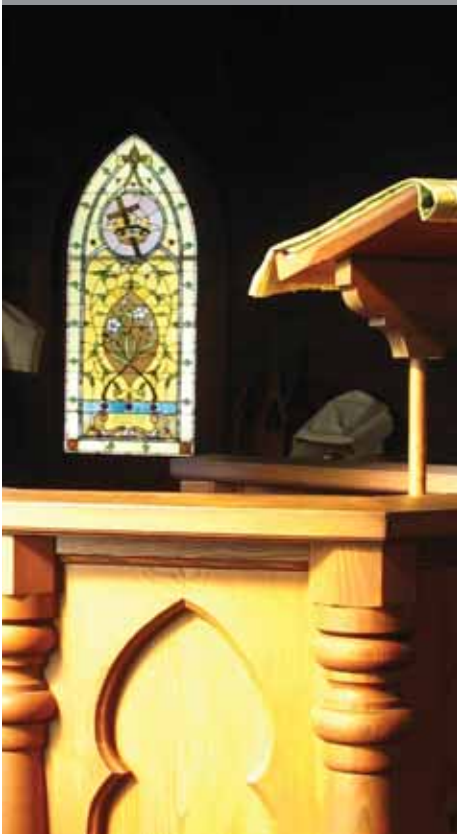
I have listened to a great number of bruised Catholics who find it difficult to understand the “hard line” that so many of us priests take, especially with regard to the reception of the Sacraments. I remember attending a meeting where someone suggested a wider use of general absolution and a more generous attitude towards many of those no longer allowed to receive Holy Communion. “Good God!” one of those present exclaimed, “If we go down that road our churches will be crammed with sinners every Sunday morning.”

Daniel O’Leary



Many whom God has
the church does not have.

St Augustine



The church makes the love of God, which was revealed through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, tangible in every new era ... The problem is, of course, that as a community of human beings the church is also sinful, always in need of reform.

Elizabeth Johnson CSJ

You don’t cease being
“a practising member” of
the family because for a time
you aren’t home very much.
Families understand this.
The church, I believe, needs
to be just as understanding.

Ron Rolheiser OMI



We will not be Christians
by custom and tradition,
but only through our own
act of faith attained in
a different struggle and
perpetually achieved anew.

Karl Rahner SJ