Policy 2.2.3.1 Act of Re-Admission

[cf. Canonical and Pastoral Guide for Parishes, Chapter I, Section 8.2 and Forms 2.1.7 and 2.1.10.]

A person who by a formal act has renounced and repudiated his or her faith may seek re-admission to the Church. The following steps should be taken, to address the *latae sententiae* excommunication and to update the person's canonical status in the baptism record.

The request for re-admission should be made to a parish priest. The parish priest will then:

- Assess the sincerity of the person making the request;
- Ask the Archbishop for permission to remit the excommunication;
- Take steps to remit the excommunication, including celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation with the person seeking re-admission;
- Receive the person's Profession of Faith in front of two witnesses;
- Complete with the person seeking re-admission two copies of the Profession of Faith form (Form 2.1.7 in *Canonical and Pastoral Guide for Parishes*) and send one copy to the Chancellor of the Archdiocese and retain the other copy at the parish;

Record the re-admission (or notify the parish of baptism to record the re-admission) in the baptism record of the person (Form 2.1.10 in *Canonical and Pastoral Guide for Parishes*).

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