



Here the penitent kneels to confess while the priest purposely looks away. This optional version of the rite is to protect anonymity of the penitent.



In the "anonymous" confession the confessor's hand is raised at absolution.

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Just after the imposition of hands, the confessor absolves the penitent, saying, "I absolve you from your sins."

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