

NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Act of Consecration (Priest)

Jesus, You show us Your Heart as symbol of Your life of love in all its aspects, including Your most special love for each of us as unique individuals. Out of Your great love for us, You died a brutal death, nailed to the wood of the cross. Out of Your great love for us, You rose gloriously from the dead.

From Your pierced Heart the Church with her life-giving Sacraments was born. In the Eucharist, Crown and Center of the Church's life, You continue to give Yourself to us with the deepest, most tender, most on-fire, most complete love.

Jesus, since in Your great love You give Yourself so completely to us, it is only fitting that we make a gift to You in return. It is entirely fitting that we give ourselves completely to You. Yes, we consecrate ourselves to Your most loving Heart. Each of us says to You, O Lord, our Savior and our Friend: "Jesus, take me wholly, take me completely to Your magnificent Heart. Out of love I give myself to You. Live in and through me. In love You give Yourself completely to me. In love and in a spirit of reparation, I want to give myself, with the help of Your grace, entirely to You. Take me, Jesus, to an ever closer union with the Father, in the Holy Spirit, with Mary my Mother at my side. Pierced, Glorified, Eucharistic Heart of Jesus I place my trust in You."

Dear Blessed Virgin Mary, I consecrate myself to your maternal and Immaculate Heart, this Heart which is symbol of your life of love, including your most special love for me as this unique individual. You are the Mother of my Savior. You are also my Mother. In a return of love, I give myself entirely to your motherly love and protection. You followed Jesus perfectly. You are His first and perfect disciple. Teach me to imitate you in the putting on of Christ. Be my motherly intercessor so that, through your Immaculate Heart, I may be guided to an ever closer union with the Pierced, Glorified, Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, Chief Shepherd of the flock.

Hymn: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (Priest and people)

Lord, have mercy us. R/ Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us. R/ Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy us. R/ Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, hear us. R/ Christ, graciously hear us.
God the Father of heaven, R/ Have mercy on us. (*And after each*)
God the Son, redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, one God,
Heart of Jesus, Son of the eternal Father,
Heart of Jesus, formed by the Holy spirit in the Virgin Mother's womb,
Heart of Jesus, substantially united to the Word of God,
Heart of Jesus, of infinite majesty,
Heart of Jesus, holy temple of God,
Heart of Jesus, tabernacle of the Most High,
Heart of Jesus, house of God and gate of heaven,
Heart of Jesus, glowing furnace of charity,
Heart of Jesus, vessel of justice and love,
Heart of Jesus, full of goodness and love,
Heart of Jesus, abyss of all virtues,
Heart of Jesus, most worthy of all praise,
Heart of Jesus, king and center of all hearts,
Heart of Jesus, wherein are all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge,
Heart of Jesus, wherein dwells all the fullness of the Godhead,
Heart of Jesus, in whom the Father is well pleased,
Heart of Jesus, of whose fullness we have all received,
Heart of Jesus, desire of the everlasting hills,

Heart of Jesus, rich for all who call upon You,
Heart of Jesus, fount of life and holiness,
Heart of Jesus, propitiation for our offenses,
Heart of Jesus, overwhelmed with reproaches,
Heart of Jesus, bruised for our iniquities,
Heart of Jesus, obedient unto death,
Heart of Jesus, pierced with a lance,
Heart of Jesus, source of all consolation,
Heart of Jesus, our life and resurrection,
Heart of Jesus, our peace and reconciliation,
Heart of Jesus, victim for our sins,
Heart of Jesus, salvation of those who hope in You,
Heart of Jesus, hope of those who die in You,
Heart of Jesus, delight of all saints,
Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,
 spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,
 graciously hear us, O Lord
Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world,
 have mercy on us, O Lord

V. Jesus, meek and humble of Heart,
R. Make our heart like Your Heart.

Let us Pray (Priest)

Almighty and everlasting God, look upon the Heart of Your well-beloved Son and upon the praise and satisfaction which He offers You in the name of sinners; and as they seek Your mercy be pleased to grant them forgiveness in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who is living and reigning with You forever. Amen.

Consecration of the Human Race to the Sacred Heart of Jesus (all)

Most Sweet Jesus, / Redeemer of the human race, / look down upon us humbly prostrate before your altar. / We are Yours and Yours we wish to be; / but to be more surely united with You, / behold we freely consecrate ourselves today / to Your Most Sacred Heart.

Many indeed have never known You; / many, too, despising Your precepts, have rejected You. / Have mercy on them all, most merciful Jesus, / and draw them to Your Sacred Heart. / Be King, O Lord, / not only of the faithful who have never forsaken You, / but also of the prodigal children who have abandoned You. / Grant that they may quickly return to their Father's house / lest they die of wretchedness and hunger.

Be King of those who are deceived by erroneous opinions, / or whom discord keeps aloof, / and call them back to the harbor of truth and unity of faith, / so that soon there may be but one flock and one Shepherd.

Grant, O Lord, to Your Church, / assurance of freedom and immunity from harm; / give peace and order to all nations, / and make the earth resound from pole to pole with one cry; / Praise to the Divine Heart that wrought our salvation; / to Him be glory and honor forever, Amen.

A Prayer to the Sacred Heart for Perseverance (All)

Eternal Father, / Who through your beloved Son / have taught us ever to pray, "Thy kingdom come," / grant us, O Lord, / through His most Sacred Heart, / the grace of final perseverance in Thy love, / that having promoted the glory of that Sacred Heart on earth, / we may share the favors of His love for all eternity. Amen.

(Three times)

V. Jesus, meek and humble of Heart,
R. Make our hearts like Your Heart.