



Enthronement of the Sacred Heart

Leader: Our help is in the Name of the Lord

All: Who made heaven and earth.

Leader: The Lord be with you

All: And also with your spirit.

Leader: Let us pray

Heavenly Father, Your only begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ's whole life was one continual sacrifice to show us Your divine love. Grant us the grace to find our joy in making sacrifices to You and our brothers and sisters so that the whole world may come to share Your divine and eternal love. We ask this through the Sacred heart of Jesus.

All: Amen

Reader: A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans (5:6-11)

For Christ, while we were still helpless, yet died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us. How much more then, since we are now justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath. Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life. Not only that, but we also boast of God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The leader may now address a few words to the people present reminding them of what Jesus expects of us and what it means to have Jesus as the King of our family.

Leader: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who does approve the painting and sculpturing of the images of Thy Saints, so that as often as we gaze upon them we are reminded to imitate their deeds and sanctity; vouchsafe, we implore Thee, to bless and sanctify this image made in honor and in memory of the Most Sacred Heart of Thy only begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ; and grant, that whosoever in its presence, adores, worships and honors the Most Sacred Heart of Thy only begotten Son, may obtain through His merits and intercession grace in this life and everlasting glory in the world to come. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

The leader now sprinkles the image with holy water. Then one member of the family enthrones the image in the place of honor prepared for it.

Leader: Let us all now say our prayer of consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

All: O Sacred Heart of Jesus, who didst make known to St. Margaret Mary Thine ardent desire to reign over Christian families, behold us assembled here today to proclaim Thine absolute dominion over our home.

Henceforth we purpose to lead a life like unto Thine, so that amongst us may flourish the virtues for which Thou didst promise peace on earth, and for this end * we will banish from our midst * the spirit of the world which Thou dost abhor so much.

Thou wilt reign over our understanding by the simplicity of our faith. Thou wilt reign over our hearts by an ardent love for Thee; and may the flame of this love be kept burning in our hearts by the frequent reception of the Holy Eucharist.

Deign, O Divine Heart, to preside over our meetings, to bless our undertakings, both spiritual and temporal, to banish all worry and care, to sanctify our joys and soothe our sorrows. If any of us should ever have the misfortune to grieve

Thy Sacred Heart, remind him of Thy goodness and mercy toward the repentant sinner.

Lastly when the hour of separation will sound and death will plunge our home into mourning, then shall we all and everyone of us be resigned to Thy eternal decrees, and seek consolation in the thought that we shall one day be reunited in Heaven, where we shall sing the praises and blessings of Thy Sacred Heart * for all eternity.

May the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the glorious Patriarch St. Joseph offer Thee this our Consecration, and remind us of the same all the days of our life.

Glory to the Divine Heart of Jesus, our King and our Father!



Leader: Let us offer our Lord Jesus our petitions.

Reader: Sacred Heart of Jesus, we beseech You to inspire Your Church through the example of humility that You have given us by taking on the form of a servant. May all members of Your Church grow in the virtue of humility. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord Hear our Prayer

Reader: Sacred Heart of Jesus, we pray that Your name will be glorified over the whole world because of Your Death and Resurrection have set us free from slavery to sin. Help us to work for world peace and to persevere always trusting in Your lover. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord Hear our Prayer

Reader: Sacred Heart of, we pray that You will inspire all people to confess You as their Lord and God so that all may come to know You as their Savior. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord Hear our Prayer

Reader: Sacred Heart of, we pray that You will enable all of us to follow Your example of obedience. Grant that we may be able to imitate Your obedience and willing acceptance of trials. We pray to the Lord.

All: Lord hear our Prayer

Reader: Sacred Heart of, we pray that You will welcome our brothers and sisters who have died into the unending joy of Your kingdom. We pray to the Lord.

Leader: Let us now offer the prayer that our Savior taught us:

All: Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Leader: Let us pray:

O God, of Whose mercies there is no number, and of Whose goodness the treasure is infinite; we render thanks to Your most gracious majesty for the gifts You have bestowed upon us. Please continue to reign in our home and in our hearts all the days of our lives. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Leader *(if a priest or deacon)*

Lord be with you

All: And also with you

Leader: May the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, descend upon you and remain forever.

All: Amen

Leader: Go in the peace of Christ

All: Thanks be to God.

Leader *(if a layperson)*

May almighty God bless us; protect us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

Leader: Go in the peace of Christ

All: Thanks be to God.

