Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus



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Dear Friends of the Rosary Hour and Followers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus! Praised be Jesus Christ!

We will be soon entering into the beautiful month of June, the month particularly devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. During this month, we also observe Father's Day. On this special day, the Franciscan will begin the NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS.

The Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus was started and made popular by St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. She was inspired by visions of Jesus to spread this devotion.

Jesus gave us, through St. Margaret Mary, special promises for those who keep a loving devotion to the attribute of His infinite love for mankind as represented in His Most Sacred Heart. Below are the incredible promises of Jesus to those who have a true devotion to His Sacred Heart:

- 1. I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.
- 2. I will establish peace in their homes.
- 3. I will comfort them in all their afflictions.
- 4. I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all, in death.
- 5. I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.
- 6. Sinners will find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
- 7. Lukewarm souls shall become fervent.
- 8. Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.
- 9. I will bless every place in which an image of my Heart is exposed and honored.
- **10**. I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
- 11. Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart.
- 12. I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my allpowerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments. My divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.

The Heart of Jesus wounded by the lance of a soldier remains perpetually open for humanity. It is enough to respond with love, for His love, and faithfulness for His faithfulness.

Our dear Friends, let us not forget the love of God, the love of Jesus: he watches us, he loves us, he waits for us. He is all heart and all mercy. Let us go with faith to Jesus, he always forgives us!

We strongly encourage you to give honor to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Today we invite you to take part in our novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, so that together we could adore the mystery of the love of God revealed through His Heart. The Novena will be conducted from the 17th to the 25th of June. Enclosed with this letter is an intentions card on which you can write the name of your father. In this way you will be able to thank him for his fatherly love and offer prayers for his intentions as well as include him in the nine Masses which will be celebrated by Franciscan. During this Novena we all will remember all fathers, both those living and those who have already left this world, as well as all the intentions which you send to us. Please send the intentions card along with your offering. Your spiritual and material offerings help support the Rosary Hour apostolate, which still desires to care for evangelization of the people of the 21st century through the radio and the Internet.

With prayer and gratitude,

O. Marcel Sokalski, OFM Conv.

Fr. Marcel with the Rosary Hour Community PS – as a thank you for participating in the novena we will send you the Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

