

Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

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Dear Devotees of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Friends, Benefactors and Patrons of the Rosary Hour, Praised be Jesus Christ!

Soon will begin the beautiful month of June, the month of special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. During this month we celebrate Father's Day. On this special day, the Franciscans will begin the NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS.

The holy life of Jesus on earth demonstrated to humanity the most beautiful quality of His

Divine Heart. He went through his earthly life doing good works, concerned for the sorrowing, the sick, the afflicted and those in need. He never wavered from standing for the protection of the least, forgiving sinners, loving all without limit. That love drove Him to the cross, on which the fullness is revealed to us, the fullness of His loving Heart. He allowed the spear of the soldier to pierce it from which flowed the abundant stream of blood and water.

2021 is a special year. It's been exactly 90 years since Jesus revealed the Divine Mercy Image to St. Faustina and said: "Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: *Jesus, I trust in You*. I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and throughout the world." (Diary



47). On this beautiful anniversary, Pope Francis recalled the words of Jesus: "Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy." (Diary 699).

St. Sister Faustina Kowalska leads us to the Heart of Jesus through the prism of His Infinite Mercy. She directs our eyes to the two streams: BLOOD and WATER, which abundantly gushed forth abundantly from the heart of Jesus.

God loves people very much, and His Heart is constantly open for humanity. It is enough to respond with love to his love. Our dear Friends, let us not forget the love of God, the love of Jesus: he watches over us, he loves us, he waits for us. He is all heart and all mercy. Therefore, let us always go to Jesus with trust!

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 to the world through His Heart. The Novena will be conducted from the 20th to the 28th 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 the Franciscans. During this Novena, the Franciscans, who are spiritually connected with you, will pray for all fathers, both those living and those who have already left this world, for the victims of the pandemic as well as all the intentions send to them. Your GIFT of material support, which you will send along with your intentions will help the Franciscans to constantly evangelize the people of the 21st century.

May the Merciful God bless you for the generosity of your heart. With prayers and gratitude,

Br. Daniel Geary, OFM Conv.

Br Daniel Geary with the Fr Justin Rosary Hour community and the Companions of St. Anthony

PS - As a "thank you" for taking part in this Novena, you will receive a powerful *Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus*.