



# 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!*

The beautiful month of June is upon us, the month of special **devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus**. This month we celebrate **Father's Day**. **On this special day, the Franciscans will begin the NOVENA to the SACRED HEART of JESUS.**



The Heart of Jesus is a human heart, but it belongs to the Son of God, who is also the truest man. This is what the first two invocations of the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, to which we honor in a special way every June, tell us: the Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father; Heart of Jesus, formed by the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mary. We pause in adoration on the fact that God wanted a human heart. And from the moment of Incarnation, he has it for all eternity. God has a human heart. The human heart of Jesus of Nazareth is also the heart of God. In him, the human heart became divine. The heart is a very specific sign, a symbol of all His humanity - God's true humanity, divine humanity.

Looking at the Heart of Jesus throughout June, contemplating and adoring it, meditating on His mysteries following the invocations of the litany that we know so well, Franciscans spiritually united with you will also discover the promises it contains. Promises of what God can and wants to do with the human heart of each and every one of us. After all, this is what we ask each time at the end of the litany of prayer: **Make our hearts like yours!**

**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 us, loves us and waits for us. He is all love 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 would like to invite you to take part in our Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, so that we could adore the mystery of God's love revealed to the world through His Heart. The Novena will be conducted from the 18<sup>th</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup> of June.** Enclosed with this letter is an intentions card on which you can write the name of your **Father**, as well as your **Grandfather** and **God-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 **9 MASSES** which will be celebrated by the Franciscans. Also include the matters and intentions that are important to you. **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 peace in the world 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 in the new evangelization.**

*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 – If you would like to receive a brochure with a powerful **Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus** write to us or mark it on the return card. At your request, we would be happy to send it to you.

**REMEMBER to write YOUR NAME and ADDRESS.**