



Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

**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 each one of us freely consecrates our self
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 You 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 You King of those who are deceived by erroneous opinions,
or whom discord keeps aloof,
and call them back to the harbour of truth and unity of faith,
so that soon there may be but one flock and one Shepherd.**

**Be You King of all those who are still involved
in the darkness of idolatry,
and refuse not to draw them
into the light and kingdom of God.**

**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 it be glory and honour forever. Amen.**

*- Adapted from the Act of Consecration of the Human Race to the Sacred Heart of Jesus by Pope Leo XIII
(cf. Encyclical Letter Annum Sacrum, 25 May 1899)*

Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

O Mother of all men and women, and of all peoples,
you who know all their sufferings and their hopes,
you who have a mother's awareness
of all the struggles between good and evil,
between light and darkness, which afflict the modern world,
accept the cry which we, moved by the Holy Spirit,
address directly to your Heart.

Mother and Handmaid of the Lord,
embrace with your love this world of ours,
which we entrust and consecrate to you,
for we are full of concern for the earthly
and eternal destiny of individuals and peoples.

Mother of Christ,
as we stand before you and your Immaculate Heart,
we desire to unite ourselves with the consecration
which, for love of us, your Son made of himself to the Father:
'For their sake', he said, 'I consecrate myself
that they also may be consecrated in the truth'.

(Jn 17:19)

We wish to unite ourselves with our Redeemer
in his consecration for the world and for the human race,
which, in his divine Heart,
has the power to obtain pardon and to secure reparation.

Mother of the Church,
enlighten us, our families, and the whole People of God
along the paths of faith, hope, and love.

Help us to live in the truth
of the consecration of Christ for the entire human family.

In entrusting ourselves to you, O Mother,
we place ourselves in your motherly Heart.

Immaculate Heart of Mary,
help us to conquer the menace of evil,
which so easily takes root in the hearts of people today,

and whose immeasurable effects
already weigh down upon our modern world
and seem to block the paths towards the future.

From famine and every kind of war, *Deliver us!*

From sins against human life
from its very beginning, *Deliver us!*

From hatred and from the demeaning
of the dignity of the children of God, *Deliver us!*

From every kind of injustice
in the life of society, *Deliver us!*

From readiness to trample
on the commandments of God, *Deliver us!*

From attempts to stifle in our hearts
the very truth of God, *Deliver us!*

From the loss of awareness of good and evil, *Deliver us!*

From sins against the Holy Spirit, *Deliver us!*

O Mother of Christ, accept our cries
laden with the sufferings of all people, *Deliver us!*

Help us with the power of the Holy Spirit
to conquer sin in all its manifestations.

Reveal in our lives, our families, and community
the infinite saving power of the Redemption,
the power of merciful Love.

May Divine Mercy put a stop to evil
and transform our consciences.

May your Immaculate Heart
reveal for all the light of Hope.

Amen.

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by Saint John Paul II and the Bishops of the world, 25 March 1984.*