

❖ **MAGNIFICAT MEDITATION OF THE DAY** ❖

The Sacred Heart

The Heart of Jesus Christ, of Jesus Christ whole and entire, is a Heart divine and human at the same time, and thus it is worthy of the worship of adoration, but that is not all. The Heart of Jesus opened on the cross by the iron of the lance is the door by which we can enter into the knowledge of Infinite love....

The worship of the Sacred Heart is the worship, inspired by gratitude, of the love of God, of Jesus Christ, for man; it is above all and before all the worship of Infinite Love....The doctrine of Infinite Love is certainly no new doctrine; it appears in the first pages of Genesis, and down the ages the little children learn it on their mothers' knees when learning their Bible history. Indeed the whole Sacred Scripture reveals God as Infinite Love.

It shines forth in creation, for it is only omnipotent Love, wise and infinite, that could have imagined this great work and accomplished it. It shines forth in the mediation of the Word when, after the sin of Adam, he offers himself to expiate the fault of the guilty; and when this sublime sacrifice is accepted by the Father and the Holy Spirit, Infinite Love manifests itself in the holy Gospels, it flows forth from all its pages, it shines with a splendid light in the Redemption. Indeed, who is there that does not see that it is Infinite Love that made the Son of God descend from heaven and become incarnate; that induced him to take on himself all our weaknesses, except sin, and that delivered him up in ignominy and death?

It shows itself in the descent of the Holy Spirit, the divine fire that came to enlighten the world and inflame men's hearts; in the formation of the Church, in the institution of the divine Sacraments, particularly in the Eucharist. What a marvelous invention of Infinite Love! Infinite Love! It is the substance of Catholic doctrine, it is its center; it is the explanation of all the mysteries of our faith. It is not only the love of God for the creature, it is God himself!

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Mother Louise Margaret (+ 1915) was a French Visitandine, a mystic, and the foundress of the Bethany of the Sacred Heart community.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Adoration

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



Lord, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of Heaven,

have mercy on us.

God, the Son, Redeemer of the world,

have mercy on us.

God, the Holy Spirit,

have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, formed by the Holy Spirit

in the womb of the Virgin Mother,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, substantially united to the Word of

God,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, of infinite majesty,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, sacred temple of God,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, tabernacle of the Most High,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, house of God and gate of Heaven,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, burning furnace of charity,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, abode of justice and love,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, full of goodness and love,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, abyss of all virtues,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, most worthy of all praise,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, King and center of all hearts

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, in whom are all the treasures of
wisdom and knowledge,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, in whom dwells the fullness of divinity,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus,, in whom the Father was well pleased,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, of whose fullness we have all received,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, desire of the everlasting hills,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, patient and most merciful,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, enriching all who invoke Thee,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, fountain of life and holiness,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, propitiation for our sins,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, loaded down with opprobrium

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, bruised for our offenses,

have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, obedient unto death,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, pierced with a lance,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, source of all consolation,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, our life and resurrection,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, victim of sin,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, salvation of those who trust in Thee,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, hope of those who die in Thee,
have mercy on us.

Heart of Jesus, delight of all the saints,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,
spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,
graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

V. Jesus, meek and humble of heart,
R. Make our hearts like unto Thee.

Let us pray: O Almighty and Eternal God, look upon the Heart of Thy dearly beloved Son, and upon the praise and satisfaction He offers Thee in behalf of sinners, and being appeased, grant pardon to those who seek Thy mercy, in the name of the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

Prayer to the Sacred Heart

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, I give myself to You.
Take all I do, all my joys, and all my sorrows.
Take all of me.

I want to be all Yours, and do all things for love of You.
Help me to do only what pleases You.
Please make my heart like Yours.

Efficacious Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

O my Jesus, You have said: "Truly I say to you, ask and it will be given you, seek and you will find, knock and it will be opened to you." Behold I knock, I seek and ask for the grace of...

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in You.

O my Jesus, You have said: "Truly I say to you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, He will give it to you." Behold, in Your name, I ask the Father for the grace of...

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in You.

O my Jesus, You have said: "Truly I say to you, heaven and earth will pass away but My words will not pass away." Encouraged by Your infallible words I now ask for the grace of...

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in You.

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, for Whom it is impossible not to have compassion on the afflicted, have pity on us miserable sinners and grant us the grace which we ask of You, through the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, Your tender Mother and ours.

Recite the Hail Holy Queen and add: St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, pray for us.

Consecration to the Sacred Heart

Most sweet Jesus, Redeemer of the human race, look down upon us, humbly prostrate before Thy altar. We are Thine and Thine we wish to be; but to be more surely united with Thee, behold each one of us freely consecrates himself today to Thy Most Sacred Heart. Many, indeed, have never known Thee; many, too, despising Thy precepts, have rejected Thee. Have mercy on them all, most merciful Jesus, and draw them to Thy Sacred Heart. Be Thou King, O Lord, not only of the faithful who have never forsaken Thee, but also of the prodigal children who have abandoned Thee; grant that they may quickly return to their Father's house, lest they die of wretchedness and hunger. Be Thou King of those who are deceived by erroneous opinions, or whom discord keeps aloof and call them back to the harbor of truth and unity of faith, so that soon there may be but one flock and one Shepherd. Grant, O Lord, to Thy 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 honor forever. Amen.

Family Prayer to the Sacred Heart

Most sweet Jesus, humbly kneeling at Thy feet, we dedicate our family to Thy Divine Heart. Be Thou our King forever! In Thee we have full and entire confidence. May Thy spirit penetrate our thoughts, our desires, our words and our works. Bless our undertakings, share in our joys, in our trials and in our labors. Grant us to know Thee better, to love Thee more, to serve Thee without faltering.

By the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Queen of Peace, set up Thy kingdom in our country. Reign in our homes and enter intimately into the midst of our families, and make them Thine own through our fervent love of Thy Sacred Heart, so that soon one cry may resound from home to home: "May the triumphant Heart of Jesus be everywhere loved, blessed and glorified forever!" Honor and glory to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary! Sacred Heart of Jesus, protect our families.

The Promises of the Sacred Heart

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will give peace in their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. They shall find in My Heart an assured refuge during life and especially at the hour of death.
5. I will pour abundant blessings on all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in My Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall speedily rise to great perfection.
9. I will bless the homes in which the image of My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and honored.
10. I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.
11. Those who propagate this devotion shall have their name written in My Heart and it shall never be effaced.
12. The all powerful love of My Heart will grant to all those who shall receive Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die under My displeasure, nor without receiving their Sacraments; My Heart shall be their assured refuge at that last hour.