

Queen of the Holy Rosary Mediatrix of Peace,
Mediatrix Between God and Man



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The Sacred Heart of Jesus

About Our Cover

MESSAGE GIVEN on JUNE 21, 1968 FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

“All Catholics should enthrone their homes to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. And every home should say the Litany of the Sacred Heart on Friday and for Our Holy Mother on Saturday; as many other times as they wish, but Friday and Saturday should be given especially to Them.”

JMJ Book Store Has Moved

JMJ Book Store was located on Main Street in Necedah and has now moved to the St. Joseph the Worker Hall on the Shrine Grounds. Volunteers worked for several weeks packing up materials, removing the shelving, and loading trucks to move to the new location. This move will now allow an easier access for pilgrims to purchase religious goods not available in the Information Building. THANKS to all the volunteers that helped with this job!

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A PROMISE

A promise made by the Blessed Virgin Mary previous to Mary Ann Van Hoof's death.

“When we take your sister home, I will be with you on all the Anniversary Days to bless these grounds. You will not see Me or the Celestials with Me. I will not abandon you unless you abandon Me. Is that understood?”

Vigil Schedule at the Shrine

July, 2017

- 2nd **Visitation of The Blessed Mother**—8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 7th **St. Mother Cabrini**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 15th **St. Henry II, Confessor**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 16th **Our Lady of Mount Carmel**—8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 19th **Godfred Van Hoof Death Anniversary**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 22nd **St. Mary Magdalene**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 26th **SS. Joachim and Anne**—9:45 a.m. Procession and 10:00 a.m., 1:00, 4:00, and 8:00 p.m. Vigils

August, 2017

- 5th **Our Lady of the Snows**—Procession 8:00 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 6th **Transfiguration of Our Lord**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 12th **St. Clare**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 15th **Anniversary Day — Assumption of Our Blessed Mother** 12:00 noon Procession and 1:00 p.m. Vigil
- 22nd **Immaculate Heart of Mary**—Procession 8:00 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 25th **Myrtle Sommers Death Anniversary**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 31st **St. Raymond Nonnatus**—8:00 p.m. Vigil

September, 2017

- 8th **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**—8:00 p.m. Procession and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 12th **Holy Name of Mary**—Procession 8:00 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 15th **Seven Sorrows**—9:45 a.m. Procession and 10:00 a.m., 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, and 9:00 p.m. Vigils
- 19th **Our Lady of La Salette**—Procession 8:00 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 24th **Our Lady of Ransom**—Procession 8:00 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Vigil
- 29th **St. Michael the Archangel**—8:00 p.m. Vigil
- 30th **St. Therese Enters Heaven**—8:00 p.m. Vigil

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AUGUST 15, 1950

“You must have faith, love and charity in your heart. Consecrate yourself to my Immaculate Heart and pray to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.”

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OUR LADY'S MESSAGES

The Revelations and Messages shared at the Queen of the Holy Rosary, Mediatrix of Peace Shrine came from the Blessed Mother, or one of the Saints who assisted Her, such as; St. Therese “The Little Flower”, St. Francis, St. Joan of Arc and others.

Pilgrims who have visited the Shrine on Anniversary Days when the Revelations were given have seen Mary Ann in a state of ecstasy, noticing that she was not conscious of anything or anyone around her as she spoke. These messages were taken down on a tape recorder and in long hand by at least two people. Some messages were repeated word for word as given by the Blessed Mother; however, in most cases Mary Ann was inspired to speak using her own language, grammar and expressions. Many messages were also given during suffering periods in her home, especially during Advent and Lent.

In a more general sense, the Revelations and Messages came from the Triumphant Church in Heaven, who used the voice of Mary Ann Van Hoof as a human transmitting device or instrument.

HEAVEN'S MESSAGES IN REVIEW

America – Where Are You Headed?

The Messages given to Mary Ann Van Hoof from Our Holy Mother have included Messages of warnings since 1950; warnings of impending Government Control, and warnings of Loss of Citizens' Constitutional Rights. Since that year until the present, we find Our Country accepting more and more immoral laws, and pushing an anti-God agenda upon the populace. We have been warned! Holy Mother has pleaded for more prayer; more Christians standing up and fighting to “Save America”. Yet, here we are today facing an all-out battle between Satan and God. God is in control, but America will suffer.

So many Messages given at Necedah have given us direction in these troubling times. The Message of August 15, 1963 stated, *“There is a reason behind all of this; there is a reason behind much of this planning. Twenty years, or maybe twenty-five years ago, that was under cover; but today it is right out in the open for the common school-boy to recognize if he wants to be alert to it. The handwriting is on the wall what the plans are. You can see it without much effort in your larger cities. You can see what's behind the segregation and integration movement. You can see the two-fold purpose behind the Mental Health; the two-fold purpose behind the Civil Rights; the two-fold purpose behind the Disarmament Movement. Oh, in one way it is good; but there is a double meaning behind it all. Awaken to the facts; do not be like a*

flock of sheep complacently being driven and bunched together to destruction.

Be alert; watch what's going on. Be interested in your children, be interested in the movements that are going on, the bills before your Congress and your Senate. Read the small print not only the large, but the fine print that's really the law, the hidden meaning behind it; because much of it is good, but many times it is wrong. Unless you are alert to what's going to happen to the future of your Country, that you can continue to fly the Old Glory; and that the Old Glory is not moved down second and the U.N. flag on top. It is with Old Glory that they fought under in the past. George Washington fought to make this land free, and so did Abraham Lincoln; but from those days on down the enemy has infiltrated and has constantly been using their means and has infiltrated your Government, the Army, the Navy and the Air Force, and your colleges and schools. . . .

But if you stick up for your Constitution as it was formerly as the signers at the Declaration signed it, if that was lived up to, you wouldn't have to fear; but today your Constitution is not the Constitution it was. It has been amended and changed and changed over and over again until finally the words are meaningless. So are the people of today changed; it seems their Country, their life in the future is meaningless, for most everyone only thinks of what can be done today but not tomorrow. . . .

You cannot go on forever without paying the penalty for casting God aside; because when you think you can start your day without a prayer to God and His Holy Mother you are only kidding yourself, because without Them you are a lost Continent, you are a lost Nation. Because it was God that created you, and it is God that can let you be destroyed. . . . If you turn to Him, He surely is not going to destroy you. He surely will not; for He loves all of you, but you do not love Him.”

This July 4th, Independence Day for Our Country, take time to meditate on the blessings God has bestowed on this great Nation. The future of this Country lies in the hands of the Christians. We cannot fail Our Holy Mother and Her Divine Son. Prayer, Penance, and Sacrifices will bring God's Graces to this Country once again.

OUR PLEDGE

To stand firmly for God and for Country;
To bring the truth to all people;
To bring peace and unity between home, school and church;
Thus bringing everlasting peace to the nation.



SHRINE NEWS



House of Prayer

Winter weather work at the House of Prayer was limited this year; but some progress was made on the installation of shoring support posts in the basement. These lower level supports are needed before our next concrete pour in order to support all the weight of the concrete two-stories up, because there is no strength in the concrete until it cures.

Now that the weather is warming up, we are continuing to prepare the fifth section of the Mezzanine area by setting up the last part of the support shoring, building the remainder of forms, and installing the final layers of reinforcement steel bars. If we get enough volunteer help, our hope is to make this concrete pour on October 14, 2017. It will be another great day for us, because this will finish the Mezzanine floor.

After this pour is completed and the concrete has cured, we will remove the forms and shoring. Then the next project will be to set the support shoring and prepare the forms needed for the stairways that go from the Main Floor to the upper Mezzanine level. There will also be a need for volunteers to help assemble the concrete block walls that are designed to be built.

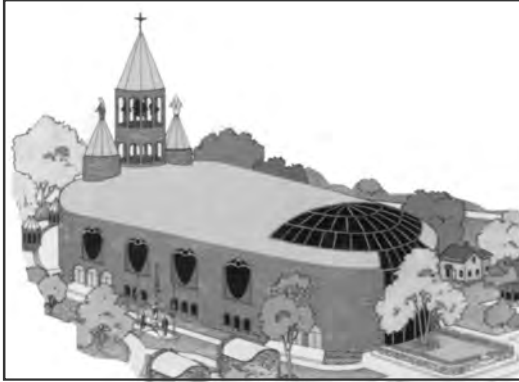
Our Saturday Work Bees begin at 9:00 A.M. These Saturday volunteers are always pleased with the special treat prepared by the women; as a noon lunch is offered to the men, so they can continue to work in the afternoon without having to leave for lunch on their own. May God and His Holy Mother bless the cooks; and all those volunteers traveling to help with the House of Prayer and the other projects on the Shrine Grounds.



Setting Up Shoring and Forming for the Fifth Pour

Why the House of Prayer?

Why the House of Prayer? Our Blessed Mother told Mary Ann Van Hoof on June 16, 1950 to build a Shrine of Prayer at the Spot of the Apparition; and to erect a large crucifix on the village bluff so that the people may be reminded daily of the Way of the Cross. She also said that this example may be followed by other communities. Then Mary Ann marked the Spot with a small cross.



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October 7 1950 - FEAST OF THE HOLY ROSARY

“The building of the Shrine will be entirely up to the people; if my request of obedience, penance, Sacraments, sacrifices, the Rosary and above all charity, faith, love thy neighbor is followed through, and then will the Shrine be built. It must be earned by true devotion and effort.”

October 7 1973 - FEAST OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Regarding the Large Shrine; Mary Ann said the reason the Holy Mother wants it, is so that the people will have some place to go to when the Chastisement comes. Our Holy Mother did not smile; She looked very sad.

August 22, 1974 - THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

“When building the House of Prayer, place The Immaculate Heart of Mary as directed; but make it the one as you saw Me now, and the Sacred Heart of Jesus because the shape of thy Shrine is the Immaculate Heart and the Sacred Heart entwined into One. For that is what the pilgrimages here must be; to honor the Immaculate Heart and the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Mediatrix between both My Divine Son and man. The importance is to entwine into man’s heart the true love of God. Enthroned thy hearts to the Immaculate

Heart and the Sacred Heart. If you place yourselves with Them, My dear children, you cannot err; nor can you be led astray. For with the Two Hearts, you can only have strength. The shedding of blood from the Two Hearts gives you the anointed strength to do Thy Lord's, Thy God in Heaven's, Will. But you must entwine thy heart with the Two Hearts. Bring Them into One. Our blessings upon you, the Immaculate Heart and the Sacred Heart, through the hand of the blessing now of St. Francis, thy Patron Saint."

October 7, 1975 - FEAST OF THE HOLY ROSARY

"My dear children, I urgently ask you to continue to prepare for the House of Prayer. It is needed now very badly. It could have been erected as given before; ten years ago or more. The need is now and it should be here. The souls who will be wandering, seeking, searching, would need comfort and guidance and shelter by coming into the House of Prayer and then leaving; leave with a heart filled with peace and comfort they received within those walls. For none of the Saints who have appeared here, will ever leave the House of Prayer without a sentinel there at all times; twenty-four hours a day, and three-hundred-and-sixty-five days a year. Some Celestial will be within the walls by pairs to give you graces and comfort if you are willing to accept them."

"Oh, how beautiful to enter the Shrine, walk all around, and know more about your religion when you walk out."

When this project is completed we will have a beautiful building to worship our Lord in. Please pray that we continue to receive the funds and support needed to complete this project as requested by Our Blessed Mother.



**Mezzanine Floor (Choir Loft)
and Front Entrance**

MODESTY

Summer is upon us with its warmer weather. The trend of society today is for fashions which barely cover the body, especially in the Summer. Shorts, mini-skirts, low-cut tops, and 2- piece bathing suits are commonly the attire of young girls and women these days. Fashion trends seem to follow the general lapse of society from Christian standards and principles. “Anything goes” does not portray the Catholic example we need to be in the world. Christians need to be the leaders and fight the immodesty that society has accepted as the norm. We need to remember the underlying principle of modesty - that clothing was meant to conceal, rather than reveal the body. Our dress needs to reflect our dignity as a Child of God. We do not wish to cause another to sin by our attire.

Pope Pius XII (1939-1958) addressed the issue of modesty as he stated, *“How many young girls there are who see nothing wrong in following certain shameless styles like so many sheep. They would certainly blush with shame if they could know the impression they make, and the feelings they evoke in those who see them.”*

“The good of our soul is more important than the good of our body; and we have to prefer the spiritual welfare of our neighbor to our bodily comforts . . . If a certain kind of dress constitutes a grave and proximate occasion of sin, and endangers the salvation of your soul and others, it is your duty to give it up . . . O Christian mothers, if you knew what a future of anxieties and perils, of ill-guarded shame you prepare for your sons and daughters, imprudently getting them accustomed to live scantily dressed and making them lose their sense of modesty, you would be ashamed of yourselves; and you would dread the harm you are making for yourselves, the harm which you are causing to these children whom Heaven has entrusted to you to be brought up as Christians.”

“Christian girls, think also of this: the more elegant you will be, and the more pleasing, if you dress with simplicity and discreet modesty.”

Our Holy Mother spoke of immodest fashions at Fatima. She again requested modest dress when she appeared to Mrs. Van Hoof on Dec. 1, 1961 when She stated, *“WAKE UP, AMERICA! WAKE UP! For a continent or a country will crumble when the morals are ruined. Why did Paris fall? You had your example. As long as the young maidens are running the streets in Bikinis, and as long as the designers make clothing so tight that every part of the body is exposed, and as long as the parents accept these, there can be no respect for womanhood. Yes, even mothers wear them. Why don't the mothers and daughter dress as Our Holy Mother would want you to dress; Mary-like. Don't follow the styles if it makes you look disgusting. The dresses too; and above the knees, too tight a skirt, and when you sit down you're exposed to the*

others across the way. Parents and mothers, Christ Our Lord and God does not like these things. If a woman does not respect herself and dress Christ's way and Mary-like ways, then how can she ask respect and expect respect from others? The woman must be proud of her own appearance and command respect, for God put man on earth as the beast; and the woman to keep her purity and respect as a woman."

CONSTANT VIGIL OF PRAYER

Could You Not Watch One Hour With Me? Our Lord asked this of His sleeping Apostles in the Garden of Gethsemane. Many people throughout the United States have answered the call to take an hour of prayer by starting Perpetual Adoration programs in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Many areas, however, do not have Perpetual Adoration or do not have enough people to fill the hours.

Our Blessed Mother at Necedah has asked for an hour of prayer each week, in addition to our Sunday Church obligation, through a Constant Vigil of Prayer Program. This hour could be taken at home, at church, or anywhere, and could be filled by any type of prayer or spiritual reading. The general intention of this Constant Vigil of Prayer is to save America from destruction by the evil forces.

Please join us by sending your participation information.

The Constant Vigil of Prayer — Our Only Hope for Peace

CONSTANT VIGIL OF PRAYER

“Could you not then, watch and pray one hour with Me?”

Choose one hour a week besides your Sunday Service as a family or individually.

Day _____ Hour _____ M.Number Participating _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

“Let’s Save America By A Constant Vigil of Prayer”

DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART

Feature Article

June is the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart. The object of this devotion is to show appreciation for the infinite love the Son of God has for us, and for making reparation for the lack of love men show in return. This article taken from excerpts of the book entitled “The Holy Eucharist” by St. Alphonsus De Liguori will hopefully help us to better understand the love Our Lord bears for us; and how He “thirsts” for our love in return.

It is related in the life of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a nun of the Order of the Visitation, that Our Savior revealed to her His wish that the devotion and feast of His Sacred Heart should be established and propagated in the Church; in order that devout souls should by their adoration and prayer make reparation for the injuries His heart constantly receives from ungrateful men when He is exposed in the Sacrament upon the Altar.

One day while this devout virgin was praying before the Most Holy Sacrament, Jesus Christ showed her His heart surrounded by thorns, with a cross on the top, and in a throne of flames; and then He said thus to her: “*Behold the Heart that has so much loved men and has spared nothing for love of them, even to consuming itself to give them pledges of its love, but which receives from the majority of men no other recompense but ingratitude and insults towards the Sacrament of love; and what grieves Me most is that these hearts are consecrated to Me.*” Thus, this devotion is nothing more than an exercise of love towards this amiable Savior.

The whole sanctity and perfection of a soul consists in loving Jesus Christ our God, our sovereign, our God, and our Redeemer: “*My Father loves you because you have loved Me.*” (John, xvi. 27) The Apostle wrote, “*Above all things, . . . have charity, which is the bond of perfection.*” (Col. iii. 14) It is charity which keeps us united and preserves all the virtues that renders a man perfect.

As Almighty God knew that man is won by kindness, he determined to lavish His gifts upon him; and so take captive the affections of his heart. After having given man a soul created in His own image - with memory, understanding, and will, and a body with its senses - He created heaven and earth for him. Yes, all that exists; all for the love of man...that man might love Him in gratitude for so many admirable gifts.

But God was not satisfied with giving us so many beautiful gifts. He has gone to such lengths to gain our love, as to give Himself to us: “*For God so loved the world as to give His only-begotten Son.*” (John, iii. 16) And, in granting us His Son, He has granted us every other good together with Him - His grace, His love, and paradise - since assuredly all these gifts are much less than that of His Son. Likewise the Son, through His love towards us, has given Himself wholly to us. Now in order to redeem us from everlasting death and to

recover for us the divine grace and heaven which we had forfeited, He became man and put on flesh like our own. Behold, then, a God reduced to nothingness: *“But emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, . . . and in habit found as a man.”* (Phil. II. 7) Behold the sovereign of the world humbling Himself so low as to assume the form of a servant, and to subject Himself to all the miseries which the rest of men endure.

But what is more astonishing still, is that He could very well have saved us without dying and without suffering at all. But no; He chose a life of sorrow and contempt, and a death of bitterness and ignominy even to the expiring on a cross. But why did He choose to die on a cross? To show us how He loved us; and because He loved us, He delivered Himself up to sorrows and to a death more cruel than ever any man endured in this world.

The Venerable John of Avila spoke thus: *“No human intellect can conceive how strongly this fire (of love) burns in the heart of Jesus Christ. And if what He suffered for all men had been imposed upon Him for the salvation of one single soul, He would have done the same for each in particular as He did for all. . . . That was but as a spark which bounded forth from the vast ocean of infinite love. This is the greatest mark of love, to lay down our life for our friends. But this was not a sufficient mark for Jesus Christ wherewith to express His love.”*

“This is the love which causes holy souls to lose themselves, and to stand amazed, when once they have been allowed to know it. From it spring those burning sentiments of ardor: the desire of martyrdom, joy in suffering, exultation under the storms of distress, the force to walk on burning coals as if they were roses, a thirst for sufferings, rejoicing in that which the world dreads, embracing that which it abhors.”

But in order to arrive at the perfect love of Jesus Christ, we must adopt the means. St. Thomas Aquinas gives us: 1) To have a constant remembrance of the benefits of God, both general and particular. 2) To consider the infinite goodness of God, who is ever waiting to do us good; and who ever loves us and seeks from us our love. 3) To avoid even the smallest thing that could offend Him. 4) To renounce all the sensible goods of this world - riches, honors, and sensual pleasures.

The meditation on the Sacred Passion of Jesus Christ is a great means for acquiring His perfect love. Who can deny that, of all devotions, devotion to the Passion of Jesus Christ is the most useful, the most tender, the most agreeable to God; one that gives the greatest consolation to sinners, and at the same time most powerfully enkindles loving souls? Whence is it that we receive so many blessings, if it be not from the Passion of Jesus Christ? Whence have we hope of pardon, courage against temptations, confidence that we shall go to heaven? St. Bonaventure says there is no devotion more fitting for sanctifying a soul than meditation on the Passion of Jesus Christ; and he advises us to meditate every day upon the Passion, if we would advance in the love of God.

Our most loving Savior, knowing that His hour was now come for leaving this earth, desired to leave us the greatest possible mark of His love; and this was the gift of the Most Holy Sacrament. Jesus left us His own body, His blood, His soul, His divinity, His entire self without reserve: *“He gave thee all,”* says St. John Chrysostom; *“He left nothing for himself.”*

The Council of Trent says that in this gift of the Eucharist Jesus Christ desired, as it were, to pour forth all the riches of the love He had for men. St. Bernardine of Sienna says that Jesus Christ, burning with love for us and not content with being prepared to give His life for us, was constrained by the excess of His love to work a greater work before He died; and this was to give His own body for our food.

The Sacrament, therefore, was rightly named by St. Thomas *“the Sacrament of love; the pledge of love.”* Sacrament of love; for love was the only motive which induced Jesus Christ to give us in it His whole self. Pledge of love; so that if we had ever doubted His love, we should have in this Sacrament a pledge of it - as if our Redeemer, in leaving us this gift, had said: O souls, if you ever doubt my love, behold, I leave you myself in this Sacrament; with such a pledge, you can never anymore doubt that I love you, and love you to excess. St. Bernard calls this Sacrament *“the love of lovers”* because this gift comprehends all the other gifts bestowed upon us by Our Lord; so that the Eucharist is not only a pledge of the love of Jesus Christ, but of paradise which He desires also to give us.

The Prophet Isaias desired that the whole world should know the tender inventions that Our God has made use of to make men love Him. And who could ever have thought, if He Himself had not done it, that the Incarnate Word would hide Himself under the appearances of bread in order to become Himself our food? But that which men could neither conceive nor believe, the great love that Jesus Christ hath thought of and accomplished: *“Take ye, and eat; this is My body.”* This is not earthly food; it is I, Myself, who give Myself entirely to you.

That we may go and receive Him, He entices us with the promise of paradise. *“He that eateth My flesh hath everlasting life. He that eateth this bread shall live forever.”* And still more, He threatens us with hell, and exclusion from paradise, if we refuse to communicate: *“Except you eat the flesh of the Son of Man, you shall not have life in you.”*

But why is it that Jesus Christ so desires that we should receive Him in Holy Communion? Reason - God not only gave Himself to man in the eternal kingdom, but even in this life would permit man to possess Him in the most intimate union; by giving them Himself, whole and entire, under the appearances of bread in this Sacrament. Christ desired to find a way whereby He might give Himself entirely to each one of us in particular, and for this end He instituted the Sacrament of the Altar in order to unite Himself wholly to each: *“He that*

eateth My flesh, abideth in Me and I in him.” In Holy Communion Jesus unites Himself to the soul, and the soul to Jesus; and this is a true and real union. *“In no other action can the Savior be considered more tender or more loving than in this, in which He annihilates Himself so to say; and reduces Himself to food in order to penetrate our souls, and to unite Himself to the hearts of His faithful,”* says St. Francis de Sales.

We must, then, be persuaded that a soul can neither do nor think of doing, anything which gives greater pleasure to Jesus Christ than to communicate frequently, with dispositions suitable to the great guest who was received. By suitable, I mean such dispositions as become a miserable creature, clothed with the unhappy flesh of Adam.

This Sacrament, above all others, inflames our souls with Divine love. God is love. And He is a fire which consumes all earthly affections in our hearts. He is a consuming fire. And for this purpose, to enkindle this fire, the Son of God came upon earth. *“I am come to send fire on the earth; and He added, that He desired nothing but to see this fire enkindled in our souls: “And what will I, but that it be kindled?”*

Jesus Christ as God has a claim on all our love. But by the love which He has shown us, He wished to put us, so to speak, under the necessity of loving Him; at least in gratitude for all that He has done and suffered for us. He has greatly loved us, that we might love Him greatly. Therefore the first command which He gave us was this: *“Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with thy whole heart.”* And St. Paul says that love is the fulfilling of the law.

Who, indeed, at the sight of a crucified God dying for our love can refuse to love Him? Those thorns, those nails, that cross, those wounds, and that blood call upon us, and irresistibly urge us, to love Him who has loved us so much. So it is pleasing to Jesus Christ when we preserve in our minds a grateful and loving recollection of the sorrows and death which He underwent for us.

No one teaches us so well the real characteristics and practice of charity as the great preacher of charity, St. Paul. In his first Epistle to the Corinthians he says that without charity man is nothing and that nothing profits him: *“If I should have all faith so that I could remove mountains and have not charity, I am nothing. And if I should distribute all my goods to feed the poor; and if I should deliver my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.”* Then St. Paul gives us the marks of true charity, and at the same time teaches us the practice of those virtues which are the daughters of charity, when he goes on to say: *“Charity is patient, is kind; charity envieth not, dealeth not perversely; is not puffed up, is not ambitious; seeketh not her own; is not provoked to anger, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth with the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.”* He that loves Jesus Christ loves sufferings. This earth is the place for meriting; and therefore it is a place for suffering. Our true home is paradise,

where we will repose in everlasting joy. We have but a short time to stay in this world. We must suffer and all must suffer, be they just or be they sinners; each one must carry his cross. He that carries it with patience is saved; he that carries it with impatience is lost. The merit of a soul that loves Jesus Christ consists in loving and in suffering. And therefore the saints, on receiving tribulations, thanked God for them. St. Joseph Calasanctius used to say, *“All suffering is slight to gain heaven.”* But with regard to the present life, it is certain that he who suffers with most patience enjoys the greatest peace.

Oh, how acceptable to God is he that humbly and patiently embraces the crosses which He sends him! One day St. Gertrude asked Our Lord what she could offer Him most acceptable; and He replied, *“My child, thou canst do nothing more gratifying to Me than to submit patiently to all the tribulations that befall thee.”* A soul that loves God has no other end in view but to be wholly united with Him. To arrive at this perfect union St. Catherine of Genoa says, *“To attain union with God, adversities are indispensable; because by them God aims at destroying all our corrupt tendencies within and without.”*

Our Lord gave to St. Margaret Mary 12 Promises to those who devote themselves to the Sacred Heart:

- 1) *I will give them all the graces necessary for their state in life.*
- 2) *I will establish peace in their families.*
- 3) *I will console them in their difficulties.*
- 4) *I will be their secure refuge during life; and more especially, at the hour of death.*
- 5) *I will shower down abundant blessings on all their undertakings.*
- 6) *Sinners will find in My Heart a source and boundless ocean of mercy.*
- 7) *Tepid souls shall become fervent.*
- 8) *Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.*
- 9) *I will bless every place in which the picture of My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and honored.*
- 10) *I will give to priests the power of touching the most hardened hearts.*
- 11) *Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart; and they shall never be effaced therefrom.*
- 12) *I will grant the grace of final repentance to all those who shall communicate on the First Friday, nine months consecutively. They shall not die in mortal sin, nor without having received the Last Sacraments; for My Divine Heart will become their secure refuge at that last moment.*

Our Lord told St. Margaret Mary that these promises would be fulfilled if souls truly believed in them. Our Lord stated, *“Do you believe I can do this? If you believe, you will see the power of My Heart in the magnificence of My love.”* These promises were made over 300 years ago. But they do not cease to be valid at any time in history.



FOOD FOR THE SOUL



Home Enthronement to The Sacred Heart

The Home Enthronement of the Sacred Heart was a promotion of Father Mateo Crawley-Boevey, SS.CC. He had a great desire to increase devotion to the Sacred Heart and conceived the idea of bringing families closer to Jesus, thus making the Promises of the Sacred Heart more effective. Granted an audience with Pope Pius X around the year 1907, his proposed work was given whole-hearted approval; and he was “commanded” to devote his life to this world-wide promotion.

The Enthronement of a home to the Sacred Heart greatly compliments the devotion Our Lord requested of St. Margaret Mary. The Enthronement means “*the Official and Social recognition of the loving Kingship of the Heart of Jesus in the Christian family*” (as stated by Fr. Mateo). This recognition is that of a living presence of Our Lord in a home, where He is the Center of all events in the family’s lives. His image is venerated and a daily act of Consecration to His Sacred Heart is recited. Yet, the greatest benefit of the devotion is that Christ lives with its members; directing their efforts, reigning over them with His infinite love, and bestowing untold graces upon the family.

Our Lord’s greatest desire is to reign over mankind as King of Love. He wishes families to be devoted to His Sacred Heart, placing Him as the ruler of their homes. The Enthronement must be more than an exterior formality; but must remain an act performed, after much reflection, to accept Our Divine Savior as the Head and Ruler of the family. Our Lord must be invited to participate in all family events; to bless and sanctify the home life of those in His presence. All family members should be reminded that everything be done “beneath His eye”, and according to His wish. The family must remain unchanged in their love of Him in good times as well as difficult times. This Enthronement is meant to be lived; and lived by all family members. In so doing each member can grow in his love for Our Divine Lord.

The family is the basic foundation of the society. The influence of a strong Christian family life is essential to developing strong citizens. For this reason, children must be trained at home and brought up in the loving influence of the Sacred Heart. He alone can enkindle the love that will animate their souls in remaining faithful to His commands.

The Enthronement preserves the Sanctity of Marriage. The Grace of God is poured out upon the married couple to fulfill the duties of their state of

life. Our Lord promised to St. Margaret Mary, “*I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.*”

Pope Pius XII frequently encouraged newly married couples to enthrone the Sacred Heart in their homes, and to consecrate their lives to Him. The Sacred Heart is honored where He is accepted as the King of Love by all the family members. He will heap many blessings upon those families that place His Sacred Heart in the center of their lives.

Our society has become one of great turmoil. Christians are being persecuted around the globe. At this crucial time in history, we need strong Christians; strong Christian families to bring back the Kingship of Christ. Such efforts will transform the society, bringing it under His protection and love.

Information on the Home Enthronement Program is available in the Information Building at the Shrine. Please use this opportunity to help your family, and others in your community, to raise our hearts and souls to the King of Love.

Enthronement Your Home To The Sacred Heart



Heaven has asked that we enthrone our home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It is especially important now during these perilous apocalyptic times. St. Joseph says:

“There must be more unity, devotion between the families, and the homes. All homes should have the enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which has been asked for many many years ago. It is not for just a few chosen ones, but it’s for all men, the sinner as well as the good It’s not for the good alone that He pleads: it’s for the sinner that they rejoice when they enthrone themselves to the Heart of Jesus with true humility and devout prayers. Then Heaven rejoices when the greatest sinner comes forth” (June 16, 1970 - Feast of the Sacred Heart Anniversary.)

Enthronement Kit available: contains Enthronement booklet, 2 pictures (Sacred Heart & Immaculate Heart), registration form, explanation of enthronement and prayers. Order no: 699 - \$7.50 each

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Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of Heaven,*

**Have mercy on us.*

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

God, the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, One God,

Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father,

Heart of Jesus, formed by the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mother,

Heart of Jesus, substantially united to the Word of God,

Heart of Jesus, of Infinite Majesty,

Heart of Jesus, Sacred Temple of God,

Heart of Jesus, Tabernacle of the Most High,

Heart of Jesus, House of God and Gate of Heaven,

Heart of Jesus, burning furnace of charity,

Heart of Jesus, abode of justice and love,

Heart of Jesus, full of goodness and love,

Heart of Jesus, abyss of all virtues,

Heart of Jesus, most worthy of all praise,

Heart of Jesus, king and center of all hearts,

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

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

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

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

Heart of Jesus, desire of the everlasting hills,

Heart of Jesus, patient and most merciful,

Heart of Jesus, enriching all who invoke You,

Heart of Jesus, fountain of life and holiness,

Heart of Jesus, propitiation for our sins,

Heart of Jesus, loaded down with opprobrium.

Heart of Jesus, bruised for our offenses,

Heart of Jesus, obedient to death,

Heart of Jesus, pierced with a lance,

Heart of Jesus, source of all consolation,
Heart of Jesus, our life and resurrection,
Heart of Jesus, our peace and reconciliation,
Heart of Jesus, victim for our sins,
Heart of Jesus, salvation of those who trust in You,
Lamb of God, You Who take away the sins of the world, *spare O.Lord*
Lamb of God, You Who take away the sins of the world, *graciously hear us,*
O Lord
Lamb of God, You Who take away the sins of the world, *have mercy on us.*

V. Jesus, meek and humble of heart.

R. Make our hearts like to Yours.

Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, look upon the Heart of Your most beloved Son and upon the praises and satisfaction which He offers You in the name of sinners; and to those who implore Your mercy, of Your great goodness, grant forgiveness in the name of the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who with You lives and reigns, world without end. R. Amen.

Pro-Life

PRO-LIFE NEWS

This is a time for all God-fearing Americans to move forward and fight for the culture of life. On so many fronts there is work to be done. Starting with prayer, penance, and sacrifice one lays the foundation for action and conversion of hearts. Tom Brejcha, attorney for David Daleiden, has reported that California's pro-abortion attorney general has slapped this Pro-life hero with 15 false felony charges.

Recall that David and his organization, Center for Medical Progress, released his undercover videos of Planned Parenthood's shocking crimes. They hate him for exposing their illegal trafficking in babies' hearts, brains, livers, and kidneys... David's videos are so damaging that they could topple Planned Parenthood. This has led to a Congressional Investigation of the abortion Goliath; and is calling for their defunding.

We have not had an opportunity like this in the 44 years since abortion was legalized by our run-away Supreme Court. Cecile Richards, the president of Planned Parenthood, aims to crush David in court; crippling him financially and protecting her \$957,952 annual salary. Mr. Brejcha has explained that it is a violation of federal laws that carry stiff fines and prison sentences to alter an abortion procedure to obtain fetal organs, profit from selling fetal tissues, or to commit partial-birth abortions.

David is being represented by the Thomas More Society; and the founder and president, Tom Brejcha. (www.thomasmoresociety.org). The Thomas More

Society is notably the law firm that successfully won at the Supreme Court twice; defending Joe Scheidler and the Pro-Life Action League against Planned Parenthood.

Jeanne Mancini, president of the March for Life, recently noted the following Federal Pro-life policy decisions in the last 100 days included:

- Unprecedented support for the 2017 March for Life by sending the Vice-President to speak to marchers;
- Strong Pro-life appointments to key leadership roles: including Attorney General Jeff Sessions HHS, Secretary Tom Price, and UN Ambassador Nikki Haley;
- Reinstatement of the Mexico City Policy, prohibiting U.S. funding of abortion providers overseas;
- Defunding of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), a participant in China's one-child policy;
- Enactment of the Congressional Review Act (H.J. Res 43) to allow individual states the ability to redirect Title X funding away from abortion providers like Planned Parenthood;
- Nomination and confirmation of Justice Neil Gorsuch to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Remember our government leaders in your prayers; and let them know that you are holding them accountable to their Pro-life campaign promises!

Sean Carney, president of 40 Days For Life, shared the amazing results God provided through the 40 Days for Life campaign that just ended ... including the breaking news that TEN abortion industry workers experienced conversions during this campaign and quit their jobs!

The Crusaders for Life, our local Pro-life youth group, prayed outside of Planned Parenthood in Madison, WI on Easter Monday 2017. They reported one driver who apparently had a "change-of-mind" about entering Planned Parenthood's parking lot after seeing the Pro-lifers pointing that they should go across the street to the Pro-life Pregnancy Center.

As Christians our responsibility is to stand firmly for the helpless and innocent. We must not become complacent with these recent blessings; but rather thank God for His generous help.

PRAY TO STOP ABORTION

Saints In Review

St. Therese the Little Flower

Therese was born on January 2, 1873 in Alencon, France. She was the last of nine children born to Louis and Zelie Martin. Both of her parents were very religious. Louis had attempted to become a monk, but was refused because he knew no Latin. Zelie was rejected as a nun because she was considered to have no vocation; so instead, she asked God to give her many children and to let them all be consecrated to God.



Louis and Zelie met in 1858 and married only three months later. They had nine children, of whom only five daughters survived to adulthood. Zelie died when Therese was only four years old. As a result, her father and sisters babied young Therese. She was some-what “spoiled” and had a spirit that wanted everything.

When she was nine years old, her sister Pauline, who had acted as a “second mother” to her, entered the Carmelite Monastery at Lisieux. Therese also wanted to enter Carmel, but was told she was too young.

At the age of 14, on Christmas Eve, Therese had a conversion that transformed her life. From then on her powerful energy and sensitive spirit were turned toward love, instead of keeping herself happy. While still 14, her sister Marie entered the same Carmelite Monastery as her sister Pauline had done. Therese renewed her attempts to also join the order, but was again considered to be too young.

Later her father took her on a pilgrimage to Rome, and during a general audience with Pope Leo XIII, she asked him to allow her to enter the Carmelites at age 15. The Pope said, “Well, my child, do what the superiors decide.”

Shortly thereafter, the bishop of Bayeux authorized the prioress to receive Therese. So, in April of 1888 at the age of 15, Therese became a Carmelite postulant. In 1889 her father suffered a stroke. After his death five years later, Celine, who had been caring for their father, entered the same Carmelite order as her three sisters. Finally, the fifth sister, Leonie, after several failed attempts, became a nun in the Order of the Visitation at Caen. Thus the wish of their mother Zelie was fulfilled, as all were “consecrated to God”.

Therese had taken the religious name Sister Therese of the Child Jesus and lived a hidden, simple life of prayer that was gifted with great intimacy and said that what matters in life, is not great deeds, but great love. Since she could not do great deeds to show love, she would prove her love by scattering flowers - and these “flowers” would be doing every little sacrifice, every glance, every word and every little action all for the love of God.

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Mail Corner

South Dakota: We stumbled upon your Shrine about 7 years ago coming back from a Packers' game. We were so moved by your story and what is being done there. My husband and I are going to try to get back there this year, God willing. We thank you for your Newsletters; and hope our donation helps. God bless everyone there; and all your volunteers.



Minnesota: Thank you faithful workers of Our Blessed Mother; and for Our Lord Jesus Christ. Your labor is not in vain. I'm so grateful that because of your hard work, faith, and prayers – I can pilgrimage to Jesus' Mom's House. These days are getting darker, as this Age draws to a close. Let us be faithful watchers, because Our Lord's Return is very soon. Many will fall asleep at their post, but not you. God bless you all!

Florida: Thank you for sending your Shrine Newsletter. We enjoy reading it. Enclosed is a donation to use as needed. I'm sending some photos of the statue we bought at Necedah in 2000, as it travels with us. We love and pray the Rosary. We miss Necedah. Thank you for the good job since we saw you in 2015. We hope to see the Large Shrine finished soon.

Canada: I hope things are fine with the Shrine. I give books and talk a lot about Our Lady of Necedah; one of our greatest events in our world because of the contents. My God bless you all who labor at the Shrine.

Illinois: Enclosed find a check in memory of my parents. Our parents started going to the Shrine back when the first Apparitions started. I believe they only missed 1 year of visiting the Shrine; and that was when our father was in the Army. Best wishes!

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