

# Novena to The Sacred Heart of Jesus for Ireland

**Wed 16 - Thur 24 May 2018**

To protect the Eighth Amendment of the Irish Constitution and all unborn children in Ireland through the intercession of St. Padre Pio who loved the Irish, and St. Margaret Mary.

**(25 May - St. Padre Pio's birthday and day  
St. Margaret Mary entered religious life)**

**Daily: Mass, Holy Hour, Rosary, Novena to the Sacred  
Heart of Jesus prayed daily by St. Padre Pio  
Wed and Fri: Fast on bread and water**

**"Announce it, and let it be  
announced to the whole world,  
that I set neither limit nor  
measure to my gifts of grace,  
for those who seek them in my  
Heart".**

If your parish or prayer group wishes to join the novena, email [info@anteaghlachnaofa.ie](mailto:info@anteaghlachnaofa.ie) for Novena booklets and Sacred Heart Novena prayer cards. This is the last stand for Irish babies and for God, their Creator.

St. Pio and St. Margaret Mary pray for us. St. Patrick, St. Brigid, St. Columba & all the Saints & Martyrs of Ireland, pray for us. Holy Family of Nazareth pray for us.

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O Sacred Heart of Jesus,  
I place all my trust in Thee





## WELCOME

Welcome to this novena of prayer to entrust our nation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We pray for the protection of human life and to ask our Divine Lord Jesus Christ, who sustained our fathers through centuries of trial, to save the eighth Amendment of the Irish Constitution and protect all unborn children on the island of Ireland from the scourge of abortion. In our beautiful native tongue, we say, “Beo gan breith, “alive but not born yet”.

We pray the novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus through the intercession of St. Padre Pio who loved the Irish people. We also ask the intercession of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, to whom Our Lord appeared and let her rest her head upon His most Sacred Heart, while revealing to her His passionate love for all humanity and His sorrow at the world’s indifference. The people of Ireland will be asked to stand for Christ on 25th May this month. The 25th May is the date St. Margaret Mary entered the convent in Paray-le-Monial, Burgundy, France and also the birthday of St. Padre Pio.

Our Lord appeared to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, on December 27, 1673, on the feast of St. John the Apostle. “And He, Christ, showed me that it was His great desire to be loved by all

people and to withdraw them from the path of ruin that made Him form the design of revealing His Heart to all people, with all the treasures of love, of mercy, of grace, of sanctification and salvation which it contains, in order that those who desire to give Him all the honour and love possible, might themselves be abundantly enriched with those divine treasures of which His heart is the source.” Jesus continued to appear to St. Margaret Mary in the convent until 1675; her incorrupt body rests at the same altar.

St. Pio of Pietrelcina had great devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and prayed a novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus daily. Padre Pio said in 1916, “when we make this novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus it will be irresistible and Jesus will grant us the grace that we ask of Him”.

St. Pio prayed this novena every day for many years in his capuchin community in San Giovanni. After his death, his community continued to pray the novena daily and still do so today. Padre Pio was so on fire with love for the Sacred Heart of Jesus that he confided to his spiritual director, Padre Agostino, of not loving the heart of Jesus as he should. His spiritual director replied, “Yes I know you want to love Jesus as much as He deserves but you also know that it is not possible to us creatures. God commands us to love Him, not to the extent and in the way He deserves to be loved, but according to our, strength, with our whole soul, our whole mind and our whole heart”.

On 5th August 1918, Padre Pio received the wound in his heart from the Sacred Heart, a wound of love and a sanctifying grace. According to the teaching of St. John of the Cross, the soul “inflamed with the love of God” is interiorly set on fire by piercing it with a fiery dart and the soul then wounded is filled with a delightful sweetness. St. Pio wrote in 1912, “What a burning fire I felt in my heart that day; but I also felt that this fire was lit by a friendly hand, by a divinely jealous hand.” This is the same flame Jesus revealed to St. Margaret Mary, that He was longing for hearts to receive.

Padre Pio sometimes permitted other friars and spiritual children to rest their head upon his heart wound, just as Jesus permitted St. Margaret Mary to do. In this novena, we also seek the refuge and comfort of the most Sacred Heart of Jesus, and ask Him to pour out His blessings and His mercy on Ireland at this crucial time. O Sacred Heart of

Jesus, protect Ireland, protect humanity. In these 9 days let us relight the Sacred Heart lamps across our nation. May His heart once again reign in every Irish home and may Ireland once again be a light to the world.

“Your homes should always remain homes of prayer. As I leave today this island which is so dear to my heart, this land and its people, which is such a consolation and strength to the Pope, may I express a wish: that every home in Ireland may remain or begin again, to be a home of daily family prayer.”  
Pope St. John Paul, Limerick, 1 Oct ‘79

## MASS IN HONOUR OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

### Entrance Hymn

#### Sweet Heart of Jesus

Sweet Heart of Jesus, fount of love and mercy,  
Today we come Thy blessings to implore;  
Oh touch our hearts so cold and so ungrateful,  
And make them Lord, Thine own for evermore.

Sweet Heart of Jesus, we implore,  
Oh, make us love Thee, more and more.

Sweet Heart of Jesus, make us know and love  
Thee,  
Unfold to us, the treasures of Thy grace;  
That so our hearts, from things of earth uplifted,  
May long alone to gaze upon Thy face.

Sweet Heart of Jesus, make us pure and gentle  
and teach us how to do Thy blessed will;  
To follow close the print of Thy dear footsteps,  
And when we fall, sweet heart O, love us still.

Sweet heart of Jesus, bless all hearts that love Thee,  
And may Thine own heart ever blessed be;  
Bless us, dear Lord, and bless the friends we  
cherish,  
And keep us true to Mary and to Thee.

### Entrance Antiphon

The designs of His heart are from age to age  
To rescue their souls from death  
And to keep them alive in famine.

## Lord Have Mercy

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison  
Christe eleison, Christe eleison  
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

#### A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 7:6-11

Moses said to the people: You are a people consecrated to the Lord your God; it is you that the Lord our God has chosen to be His very own people out of all the peoples of the earth.

If the Lord set His heart on you and chose you; it was not because you outnumbered other peoples; you were the least of all peoples. It was for love of you and to keep the oath He swore to your fathers that the Lord brought you out with His mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the power of the Pharaoh of Egypt. Know then that the Lord your God is God indeed, the faithful God who is true to His covenant and His graciousness for a thousand generations towards those who love him and keep His commandments but who punishes in their own persons those that hate Him; He makes Him work out his punishment in person. You are therefore to keep and observe the commandments and statutes and ordinances that I lay down for you today”.

The Word of the Lord.

#### Responsorial Psalm

#### With joy you will draw water from the wells of the Saviour

Truly God is my salvation  
I trust, I shall not fear  
For the Lord is my strength, my song,  
He became my Saviour  
With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Give thanks to the Lord,  
Give praise to His name!  
Make His mighty deeds known to the peoples!  
Declare the greatness of His name,

Sing a psalm to the Lord  
For He has done glorious deeds;  
make them known to all the earth!  
People of Zion, sing and shout for joy  
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

## Second Reading

### A reading from the first letter of St. John 4:7-16

My dear people,  
let us love one another since love comes  
from God and everyone who loves is begotten by  
God and knows God.  
Anyone who fails to love can never have  
known God, because God is love.  
God's love for us was revealed  
when God sent into the world His only Son  
so that we could have life through Him;  
this is the love I mean;  
not our love for God,  
but God's love for us when He sent His Son  
to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.  
My dear people,  
since God has loved us so much,  
we too should love one another.  
No one has ever seen God;  
but as long as we love one another  
God will live in us and His love will be complete  
in us.  
We can know that we are living in Him and He is  
living in us because He lets us share His spirit.  
We ourselves saw and we testify that the Father  
sent His son as Saviour of the world.  
If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of  
God, God lives in Him, and he in God.  
We ourselves have known and put our faith in  
God's love towards ourselves.  
God is love and anyone who lives in love lives in  
God, and God lives in him.

The Word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Shoulder my yoke and learn from me,  
for I am gentle and humble of heart.  
Alleluia!

## Gospel

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless You, Father, Lord of  
heaven and of earth, for hiding these things  
from the learned and the clever and revealing  
them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is  
what it pleased You to do. Everything has been  
entrusted to me by the Father and no one knows  
the Son except the Father, just as no one knows  
the Father except the Son and those to whom the  
Son chooses to reveal Him. 'Come to me all who  
labour and are overburdened, and I will give you  
rest. Shoulder My yoke and learn from Me, for I  
am gentle and humble of heart, and you will find  
rest for your souls. Yes, My yoke is easy and My  
burden light.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

## Prayers of the Faithful

### Response

Lord, graciously hear us

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### Offertory Hymn

#### Gifts Of Bread And Wine

Gifts of bread and wine, gifts we've offered  
Fruits of labour, fruits of love;  
Taken, offered, sanctified, blessed and broken  
Words of one who died:

Take My body, take My saving blood  
Gifts of bread and wine: Christ our Lord.

Christ our Saviour, living presence here  
As He promised while on earth:  
I am with you for all time,  
I am with you in this bread and wine.

Through the Father, with the Spirit,  
One in union with the Son  
For God's people, joined in prayer  
Faith is strengthened by the food we share.

## Holy Holy Holy

Sanctus, Sanctus  
Sanctus Dominus Deus sabbaoth,  
Pleni sunt caeli et terra Gloria tua,  
Hosanna in excelsis,  
Benedictus qui venit in nomine domini,  
Hosanna in excelsis.

## Memorial Acclamation

Save us, Saviour of the world,  
Save us, Saviour of the world,  
For by Your cross and resurrection,  
You have set us free, You have set us free.

## COMMUNION RITE

### Lamb of God

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi  
Misere nobis,  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi  
Misere nobis,  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi  
Dona nobis pacem.

## Communion Hymns (a selection to choose from)

### Soul of My Saviour

Soul of my Saviour sanctify my breast,  
Body of Christ, be Thou my saving guest,  
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in Thy tide,  
wash me with waters gushing from Thy side.

Strength and protection may Thy passion be,  
O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;  
deep in Thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me,  
so shall I never, never part from Thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign,  
in death's dread moments make me only thine;  
call me and bid me come to Thee on high  
where I may praise Thee with Thy saints for ay.

### Heart of Jesus

Heart of Jesus, heart of Jesus,  
Burning with love for me,  
Inflame my heart, inflame my heart  
With love, with love for Thee

## I Will Never Forget You My People

I will never forget you My people,  
I have carved you on the palm of My hand,  
I will never forget you,  
I will not leave you orphaned,  
I will never forget My own.  
Does a mother forget her baby,  
Or a woman the child within her womb,  
Yet even if these forget,  
Yes even if these forget,  
I will never forget My own

## Here I Am Lord

I The Lord of sea and sky  
I have heard My people cry,  
All who dwell in dark and sin,  
My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord, is it I Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have born my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them, they turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone,  
I will speak My word to them,  
Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save,  
Finest bread I will provide,  
Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them,  
Whom shall I send?

## Sweet Sacrament Divine

Sweet Sacrament Divine, hid in Thine  
earthly home;  
lo! round Thy lowly shrine, with suppliant hearts  
we come;  
Jesus, to Thee our voice we raise  
In songs of love and heartfelt praise.  
Sweet Sacrament Divine, sweet sacrament divine

Sweet Sacrament of peace, dear home of every heart,  
where restless yearnings cease, and sorrows all depart.  
there in Thine ear, all trustfully, we tell our tale of misery,  
Sweet Sacrament of peace, sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament Divine, earth's light and jubilee,  
in Thy far depths doth shine, the Godhead's majesty;  
sweet light, so shine on us, we pray  
that earthly joys may fade away:  
sweet Sacrament divine, sweet Sacrament divine.

### Nearer my God to Thee

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee,  
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me,  
Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee,  
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee.

Deep in Thy Sacred Heart, let me abide,  
Thou who has bled for me, sorrowed and died.  
Sweet shall my weeping be, grief surely leading me,  
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee.

Friends may depart from me, night may come down,  
Clouds of adversity darken and frown:  
Still through my tears I'll see, hope gently leading me,  
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee

### Immaculate Mary

Immaculate Mary  
Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing,  
You reign now in heaven  
With Jesus our King.

Ave Ave Ave Maria  
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In heaven the blessed your glory proclaim,  
On earth we your children  
Invoke your fair name.

We pray for our Mother, the Church upon earth,  
And bless, holy Mary,  
The land of our birth.

### Salve Regina

Salve Regina, mater misericordiae:  
Vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve.  
Ad te clamamus, exsules, filii hevae.  
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes  
in hac lacrimarum valle.  
Eia ergo, advocata nostra,  
illos tuos misericordes oculos  
ad nos converte.  
Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,  
nobis, post hoc exilium ostende.  
O clemens, O pia, O dulcis  
Virgo Maria.

### Communion Antiphon

Thus says the Lord:  
Let whoever is thirsty come to me and drink.  
Streams of living water will flow  
From within the one who believes in Me.

### Evangelium Vitae by St. John Paul

O Mary,  
brighdawn of the world,  
Mother of the living,  
to you do we entrust the cause of life:  
Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers  
of babies not allowed to be born,  
on the poor whose lives are made difficult,  
on men and women who are victims of brutal  
violence,  
on the elderly and the sick killed by  
indifference  
or out of misguided mercy.  
Grant that all who believe in your Son  
may proclaim the Gospel of life  
with honesty and love to the people of our  
time.  
Obtain for them the grace to accept that  
Gospel as a gift ever new,  
the joy of celebrating it with gratitude  
throughout their lives  
and the courage to bear witness to it  
resolutely, in order to build,  
together with all people of good will,  
the civilization of truth and love,  
to the praise and glory of God, the Creator  
and lover of life. Amen.  
14 Oct 2000

**Choose Life:  
Prayer for the Child in the Womb**

Lord Jesus, you are the source and lover of life.  
Reawaken in us respect for every human life.  
Help us to see in each child the marvellous  
work of our Creator.

Open our hearts to welcome every child as a  
unique and wonderful gift. Guide the work of  
doctors, nurses and midwives. May the life of  
a mother and her baby in the womb be equally  
cherished and respected.

Help those who make our laws to uphold the  
uniqueness and sacredness of every human  
life, from the first moment of conception to  
natural death.

Give us wisdom and generosity to build a  
society that cares for all.

Together with Mary, your Mother, in whose  
womb you took on our human nature,  
Help us to choose life in every decision we take.  
We ask this in the joyful hope of eternal life  
with you, and in the communion of the  
Blessed Trinity.

Amen.

Our Lady of Knock, pray for us.  
All the Saints of Ireland, pray for us.

Prayer of The Irish Bishops

“May the light of Christ, the light of faith,  
continue always to shine out of Ireland, may  
no darkness ever extinguish it”. St. John Paul,  
Drogheda, 29 Sep ‘79

**Final blessing**

**Recessional Hymn**

**Hail Redeemer, King Divine**

Hail Redeemer, King Divine  
Priest and Lamb, the throne is Thine;  
King, whose reign shall never cease,  
Prince of everlasting peace.

Angels, saints and nations sing :  
Praise be Jesus Christ our King;  
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,  
King of love on Calvary.

Crimson streams, O King of grace,  
drenched thy thorn-crowned head and face;  
floods of love's redeeming tide  
tore Thy hands, Thy feet, and side.

Eucharistic King, what love  
draws Thee daily from above,  
clad in signs of bread and wine :  
feed us, lead us, keep us Thine.

King most holy, King of truth,  
guard the lowly, guide the youth;  
Christ the King of glory bright,  
be to us eternal light.



King of Love, pray for us

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (HOLY HOUR)**

**O Salutaris Hostia**

O salutaris Hostia,  
Quae caeli pandis ostium:  
Bella premunt hostilia,  
Da robor, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino  
Sit sempiterna gloria,  
Qui vitam sine termino  
Nobis donet in patria. Amen.

O saving Victim, opening wide,  
The gate of heaven to man below!  
Our foes press on from every side;  
Thine aid supply, Thy strength bestow.

To Thy great name by endless praise,  
Immortal Godhead, one in Three;  
Oh, grant us endless length of days,  
In our true native land with Thee. Amen

## SILENT ADORATION

### THE ROSARY

The Luminous Mysteries of The Rosary to pray that the light of Christ will shine into the hearts of minds of the people of Ireland and that our nation will choose to protect the sanctity of human life and once again, be a light to the whole world. We also offer this Rosary for the Holy Souls in Purgatory and ask their prayers for Ireland at this time.

#### Novena to The Sacred Heart of Jesus (recited daily by St. Padre Pio)

O my Jesus, you have said, “Truly I say to You, ask and you will receive, seek and you will find, knock and it will be opened to you. Behold I knock, I seek and I ask for the grace of... (here name your request).

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... (here name your request)

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... (here name your request)

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.

Hail Holy Queen  
St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, pray for us.

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque pray for us.

#### Prayer to St. Pio of Pietrelcina



O God, who gave Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, capuchin priest, the great privilege of participating in a unique way in the passion of Your Son Jesus, grant me through his intercession the grace of ... (which I ardently desire); and above all the grace of living in conformity with the death of Jesus to arrive at the glory of the resurrection.  
Pray a Glory Be to the Father, three times.  
St. Pio of Pietrelcina pray for us.

#### Prayer to St. Margaret Mary Alcoque



Saint Margaret Mary, thou who was made a partaker of the divine treasures of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, obtain for us, we beseech thee, from this adorable Heart, the graces we need so sorely. We ask these favours of thee with unbounded confidence. May the divine Heart of Jesus be pleased to bestow them upon us through thy intercession, so that once again He may be loved and glorified through thee. Amen.

V. Pray for us, O blessed Margaret;  
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

O Lord Jesus Christ, who did wondrously open the unsearchable riches of Thy Heart to blessed Margaret Mary, the virgin: grant unto us, by her merits and our imitation of her, that we may love Thee in all things and above all things, and may be worthy to have our everlasting dwelling in the same Sacred Heart: who lives and reigns world without end. Amen.

## PRAYER TO THE INFANT JESUS

Prayer to The Infant Child  
Infant Jesus, meek and mild  
Look on me a little child  
Pity mine and pity me  
Suffer me to come to Thee

Heart of Jesus I adore Thee  
Heart of Mary I implore Thee  
Heart of Joseph, pure and just  
In these three hearts I place my trust.

## Prayer to St. Joseph

Oh, St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God. I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh, St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers.

Oh, St. Joseph, I never weary of contemplating you, and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me and ask him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for me.

## Prayers for Adoration

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love You. I ask pardon of You, for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love You.

Most Holy Trinity I adore You,  
My God, My God I love You in the most  
Blessed Sacrament.

O most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most Precious Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges, and indifference by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners.

## LITANY TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, hear us, Christ, hear us.  
Christ, graciously hear us, Christ graciously hear us

## Response - have mercy on us

God the Father in heaven,  
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,  
God the Holy Spirit, 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 Mary,  
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, wellspring of all virtues,  
Heart of Jesus, most worthy of all praise,  
Heart of Jesus, King and centre 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, atonement for our sins,  
Heart of Jesus, overwhelmed with insults,  
Heart of Jesus, bruised for our offenses,  
Heart of Jesus, obedient unto 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 of sins,  
Heart of Jesus, salvation of those who trust in you,  
Heart of Jesus, hope of those who die in you,  
Heart of Jesus, delight of all Saints,

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 Thine.

Let us pray. Almighty and Eternal God, look upon the Heart of your dearly beloved Son and upon the praise and satisfaction He offers you in the name of sinners and for those who seek your mercy; be appeased, and grant us pardon in the name of the same Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you forever and ever. Amen.

### **Consecration prayer for families to the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

O most Sacred Heart of Jesus, You revealed to the blessed Margaret Mary Thy desire to rule over Christian families; behold, in order to please Thee, we stand before Thee this day, to proclaim Thy full sovereignty over our family.

We desire henceforth to live Thy life, we desire that the virtues, to which Thou has promised peace on earth, may flower in the bosom of our family; we desire to keep far from us the spirit of the world, which You have condemned. You are King of our hearts by our love of Thee alone, with which our hearts are on fire and whose flame we shall nourish by frequent reception of the Holy Eucharist.

Be pleased, O Sacred Heart, to preside over our gathering together, to bless our spiritual and temporal affairs, to ward off all annoyance from us, to bless our joys and comfort our sorrows. If any of us has ever been so unhappy as to fall into the misery of displeasing Thee, grant that he may remember, O Heart of Jesus, that You art full of goodness and mercy towards the repentant sinner. And when the hour of separation strikes and death enters our family circle, whether we go or whether we stay, we shall all bow meekly before Thine eternal decrees. This shall be our consolation, to remember that the day will come, when our entire family, once more united in heaven, shall be able to sing of Thy glory and Thy goodness forever. May the immaculate Heart of Mary and the glorious Patriarch Saint Joseph vouchsafe to offer You this our act of consecration, and to keep the memory thereof alive in us all the days of our lives.

Glory to the Heart of Jesus, our King and our Father! Amen.

### **Prayer for Life**

Lord Jesus, We ask you to cover Ireland with your most Precious Blood and protect us from the scourge of abortion.

In Jesus' name we rebuke this evil and command it to leave our shores.

May the most holy names of Jesus, Mary and Joseph be forever praised and glorified.

St Patrick, St Brigit and all the Irish saints pray for us.

All the holy souls ever born in Ireland pray for us.

St Michael, St Raphael, St Gabriel and all the holy angels form a hedge of fire around our country.

We pray this prayer believing that we have received. Thank you Jesus for the victory!

All Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

An Teaghlach Naofa - Prayer for Protection of Unborn Life. Falcarragh, Donegal May 2013

**Jesus to St. Margaret Mary  
Alocoque - message to the King of  
France, King Louis XIV**

“Make it known to the eldest son of my Sacred Heart, that as his temporal birth was obtained by devotion to the merits of My Holy Childhood, so he will get his birth to eternal glory by the consecration which he will make of himself to my adorable Heart, which means his triumph, and through it, to the great of the earth. I want My Heart to reign in his palace, to be painted on his standard and engraved in his arms, to make him victorious over all his enemies, and by placing at his feet these proud foes, to make him victorious over all enemies of the Holy Church.”

Jesus to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

**Jesus to Sr. Lucia of Fatima,  
Rianjo 1931**

Our Lord appeared to Sr Lucia in Rianjo, Spain in 1931. Speaking of the delay in consecrating Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, He said:

‘Make it known to My ministers, given that they follow the example of the King of France in delaying the execution of My command, they will follow him into misfortune. It is never too late to have recourse to Jesus and Mary.’

**Nine First Friday Devotions**

“On Friday during Holy Communion, He said: I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that its all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on nine first Fridays of consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they will not die under my displeasure or without receiving their sacraments, my divine Heart making itself their assured refuge at the last moment.”  
St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

**Faith of Our Fathers**

Faith of our fathers, living still  
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword;  
Oh how our hearts beat high with joy  
When e're we hear that glorious word.  
Faith of our fathers, Holy Faith  
We will be true to Thee till death!

Faith of our fathers, we will strive  
To win all nations onto Thee.  
And thru' the truth that comes to God  
Mankind shall then be truly free.

Faith of our Fathers, Mary's prayers  
Shall win our country back to Thee  
And through the truth that comes from God  
'Ireland' shall then indeed be free.

**Tantum Ergo**

Tantum ergo Sacramentum  
Veneremur cernui:  
Et antiquum documentum  
Novo cedat ritui:  
Praestet fides supplementum  
Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque  
Laus et jubilatio,  
Salus, honor, virtus quoque  
Sit et benedictio:  
Procedenti ab utroque  
Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

V Panem de caelo praestitisti eis  
R Omnem delectamentum in se habentem

Down in adoration falling,  
Lo! the sacred Host we hail,  
Lo! o'er ancient forms departing  
Newer rites of grace prevail;  
Faith for all defects supplying,  
Where the feeble senses fail.

To the everlasting Father,  
And the Son Who reigns on high  
With the Holy Spirit proceeding  
Forth from each eternally,  
Be salvation, honour blessing,  
Might and endless majesty. Amen.

V. Thou hast given them bread from heaven  
R. Having within it all sweetness

“The family is one of the most precious assets of humanity”. Pope Francis” March 2016

## Promises of the Sacred Heart of Jesus given to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

- I will give them all the graces necessary for their state in life.
- I will establish peace in their families.
- I will comfort them in their trials.
- I will be their secure refuge during life, and, above all, in death.
- I will shed abundant blessings on all their undertakings
- Sinners will find in My Heart an infinite ocean of mercy.
- Lukewarm souls will become fervent.
- Fervent souls will rapidly grow in holiness and perfection.
- I will bless every place where an image of My Heart shall be exposed and honoured.
- I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
- The names of those who promote this devotion will be written in My Heart, never to be blotted out.
- I promise thee, in the excessive mercy of My Heart, that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months, the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in My disgrace nor without receiving their Sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment (**Nine First Friday Devotions**).

**Thank you for joining the novena to the Sacred Heart. God bless and safe home.**

“I want My Heart to Reign”.



“Behold the Heart which has so loved men that it has spared nothing, even to exhausting and consuming itself, in order to testify its love; and in return, I receive from their greater part only ingratitude, by their irreverence and sacrilege and by the coldness and contempt they have for Me in this Sacrament of Love”.

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