

CHAPTER 5 PRAYER SERVICE

All: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, we bring our hearts before you today full of wants, needs, hopes, and dreams. As we seek to grow closer to you in holiness, we entrust our petitions and our very lives to your Sacred Heart, knowing that you are listening to us with love.

We will now pray a modified version of the Sacred Heart novena.

Reader: 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.”

All: Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

Reader: *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.”*

All: Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

Reader: O my Jesus, you have said: “Truly I say to you, heaven and earth will pass away but my words will not pass away.”

All: Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

Leader: Let us now take a few moments of silence to call to mind our wants, needs, hopes, and dreams. I invite you to offer your petitions to Jesus in the silence of your hearts.

Pause for a few moments of silence to allow students to bring their petitions to the Lord.

Reader: 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. Let us pray.

All: Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
our life, our sweetness and our hope.
To thee do we cry,
poor banished children of Eve.
To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn then, most gracious advocate,
thine eyes of mercy toward us,
and after this our exile
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving,
O sweet Virgin Mary.

Leader: Let us pray.

All: O Sacred Heart of Jesus, to Thee I consecrate and offer up my person and my life,
my
actions, trials, and sufferings, that my entire being may henceforth only be employed in
loving, honoring and glorifying Thee. This is my irrevocable will, to belong entirely to
Thee, and to do all for Thy love, renouncing with my whole heart all that can displease
Thee.

I take Thee, O Sacred Heart, for the sole object of my love, the protection of my life,
the pledge of my salvation, the remedy of my frailty and inconstancy, the reparation for
all the defects of my life, and my secure refuge at the hour of my death. Be Thou, O
Most Merciful Heart, my justification before God Thy Father, and screen me from His
anger which I have so justly merited. I fear all from my own weakness and malice, but
placing my entire confidence in Thee, O Heart of Love, I hope all from Thine infinite
Goodness. Annihilate in me all that can displease or resist Thee. Imprint Thy pure love
so deeply in my heart that I may never forget Thee or be separated from Thee.

I beseech Thee, through Thine infinite Goodness, grant that my name be engraved
upon Thy Heart, for in this I place all my happiness and all my glory, to live and to die as
one of Thy devoted servants. Amen.

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