



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE
CATHOLIC CHURCH



Enthronement of the
Sacred Heart of Jesus

PREPARATORY PRAYERS

Fr. Bill: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Fr. Bill: Today is a blessed day for you. You have responded to the request of Jesus that he wishes to stay in your home. Through the enthronement ceremony today, you acknowledge Jesus as Lord, Savior, and King by enthroning his image in a place of honor. The image of Jesus revealing his Sacred Heart is the visible image of God's love. You will renew your commitment to be faithful disciples of Jesus and to make his message of love known by word and example. All of us present here join in prayer and in our hearts, honor Jesus who is present among us and who lives and reigns forever with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

Reader: Let us listen to the words of the Holy Gospel according to John: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father."

Fr. Bill: Let us profess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed:

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell; on the third day he arose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Fr. Bill: Let us pray as our Savior taught us:

All: Our Father...

Fr. Bill: Let us invoke our Holy Mother, Queen of Heaven and Earth:

All: Hail Mary...

Fr. Bill: Let us glorify the Most Holy Trinity:

All: Glory be...

INTERCESSIONS

Reader: Lord Jesus, you assured us that whatever we ask the Father in your name, he will give us. In your name and with great confidence we pray:

All: Stay with us, Lord.

Reader: For the grace of being faithful to our covenant with Jesus, and our new way of life in him, we pray:

All: Stay with us, Lord.

Reader: That the Holy Spirit may always find our hearts responsive to his call, we pray:

All: Stay with us, Lord.

Reader: For a deeper appreciation of the Eucharist, the great gift of the pierced Heart of Jesus, we pray:

All: Stay with us, Lord.

Reader: That the Holy Spirit may heal all our hurts and remove from our hearts everything that prevents us from giving ourselves lovingly to Jesus and one another, we pray:

All: Stay with us, Lord.

Reader: For the intentions of our Holy Father the pope and our bishop, we pray:

All: Stay with us, Lord.

Reader: For our absent and deceased members, we pray:

All: Stay with us, Lord.

Reader: Lord Jesus, when you lived with the Holy Family in Nazareth, your Heart grew in wisdom and blessings. Live with us and give us new hearts so that we may grow in mutual love and concern for our brothers and sisters throughout the world.

All: Amen.

LITANY

Fr. Bill: Let us pray the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

Fr. Bill:

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Christ, hear us.
God the Father of 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 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 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 thee,
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,

All:

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

Heart of Jesus, obedient to death, **have mercy on us.**
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 our reconciliation,
Heart of Jesus, victim for our sins,
Heart of Jesus, salvation of those who trust in thee,
Heart of Jesus, hope of those who die in thee,
Heart of Jesus, delight of all the saints,

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world,
graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Jesus, meek and humble of heart,
make our hearts like to Yours.

Fr. Bill: Let us pray:

All: 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, in your great goodness, grant forgiveness in the name of the same Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

ENTHRONEMENT

Reader: We now proclaim Jesus as our Lord, our King, and friend.

All: We praise the loving kindness of the Heart of our God.

Fr. Bill: Let us consecrate ourselves to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

All: Lord Jesus, we recall your words in Scripture: “Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me.” We have heard your invitation, and today we respond to your covenant with us. We open our door and ask you to stay with us; we open the door of our hearts and welcome you. We acknowledge you as our Lord, our King, and our friend, and promise that we will always be your faithful disciples. We consecrate ourselves, this place, and everything we have to your Sacred Heart. We ask for the gifts of your Sacred Heart, that we may be poor in spirit, merciful, pure of heart, peacemakers, good stewards of creation, and concerned for justice, especially for those who are in need. We ask that you stay with us always; increase our love for one another; share in our joys, and comfort us in our sorrows. Inspire us with your love, so that together we may be devoted to you, and that this will be a place of welcome to all. Help us to bring your message of love to all people. Amen.

Fr. Bill: May almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.



