

AN ACT OF REPARATION

SOLEMNITY OF THE SACRED HEART ☩ FRIDAY, JUNE 16



An invitation from the leadership of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops:

“Catholic Christians traditionally recognize June as the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. During this time, we call to mind Christ’s love for us, which is visible in a special way in the image of His pierced heart, and we pray that our own hearts might be conformed to His, calling us to love and respect all His people.

“This year, on June 16 — the day of the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus — a professional baseball team has shockingly chosen to honor a group whose lewdness and vulgarity in mocking our Lord, His Mother, and consecrated women cannot be overstated. This is not just offensive and painful to Christians everywhere; it is blasphemy.

“It has been heartening to see so many faithful Catholics and others of good will stand up to say that what this group does is wrong, and it is wrong to honor them. We call on Catholics to pray the Litany of the Sacred Heart on June 16, offering this prayer as an act of reparation for the blasphemies against our Lord we see in our culture today.”

The Sacred Heart of Jesus
Painting by Josef Plank (1870)

LITANY TO THE SACRED HEART

Lord, have mercy. R/ *Lord, have mercy.*
Christ, have mercy. R/ *Christ, have mercy.*
Lord, have mercy. R/ *Lord, have mercy.*

God our Father in heaven, R/ *have mercy on us.*
God the Son, Redeemer of the world R/
God the Holy Spirit R/
Holy Trinity, one God R/
Heart of Jesus, Son of the eternal Father R/
Heart of Jesus, formed by the
Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mother R/
Heart of Jesus, one with the eternal Word R/
Heart of Jesus, infinite in majesty R/
Heart of Jesus, holy temple of God R/
Heart of Jesus, tabernacle of the Most High R/
Heart of Jesus, house of God and gate of heaven R/
Heart of Jesus, aflame with love for us R/
Heart of Jesus, source of justice and love R/
Heart of Jesus, full of goodness and love R/
Heart of Jesus, well-spring of all virtue R/
Heart of Jesus, worthy of all praise R/
Heart of Jesus, king and center of all hearts R/
Heart of Jesus, treasure-house of
wisdom and knowledge R/
Heart of Jesus, in whom there
dwells the fullness of God R/
Heart of Jesus, in whom the Father is well pleased R/
Heart of Jesus, from whose
fullness we have all received R/
Heart of Jesus, desire of the eternal hills R/
Heart of Jesus, patient and full of mercy R/

Heart of Jesus, generous to all who turn to you R/
Heart of Jesus, fountain of life and holiness R/
Heart of Jesus, atonement for our sins R/
Heart of Jesus, overwhelmed with insults R/
Heart of Jesus, broken for our sins R/
Heart of Jesus, obedient even to death R/
Heart of Jesus, pierced by a lance R/
Heart of Jesus, source of all consolation R/
Heart of Jesus, our life and resurrection R/
Heart of Jesus, our peace and reconciliation R/
Heart of Jesus, victim of our sins R/
Heart of Jesus, salvation of all who trust in you R/
Heart of Jesus, hope of all who die in you R/
Heart of Jesus, delight of all the saints R/

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, R/ *have mercy on us.*
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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, R/ *have mercy on us.*

Jesus, gentle and humble of heart.
R/ *Touch our hearts and make them like your own.*

Let us pray. Grant, we pray, almighty God, that we,
who glory in the Heart of your beloved Son and recall the
wonders of his love for us, may be made worthy to receive
an overflowing measure of grace from that fount of heavenly gifts.
Through Christ our Lord. R/ *Amen.*



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