

# Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

*by Pope Pius XI*

O most Sweet Jesus, whose immense love towards men is not returned by the ungrateful, and even more the forgetful, negligent, and disdainful! See us prostrate before Your altar, to repair with special acts of honorable homage, the indignant coldness of men and the injuries that wound Your most loving Heart from every possible direction.

Moreover, remembering that we also have stained ourselves with these indignities, which we now pain ourselves with: we desire, above all, to obtain for our souls Your divine mercy, disposed to repair, with our voluntary expiation all these sacrileges; not only for our own personal sins, but also for the sins of those, who, distant from the path of salvation and obstinate in their infidelity, either do not want to follow You as their Shepherd and Leader, or, renouncing the promises of their baptism, have cast off the sweetest yoke of Your Law.

We want to expiate such abominable sins, especially the immodesty and dishonesty of life and of our dress; the innumerable snares cast to trap innocent souls; the profanement of feast days; the execrable injuries proffered against You and against Your Saints; the insults directed to Your Vicar and your Priestly Order; the negligences and horrible sacrileges with which the very Sacrament of Love is profaned; and the public sins of the nations which put up resistance to the rights and magisterium of the Church which You have founded.

How we wish we could wash away such abominations with our own blood! Nevertheless, in reparation of the violated Divine Honor, uniting it with the expiation of our Virgin Mother, of all the Saints and all good souls: we offer the satisfaction You made to Your Eternal Father on the Holy Cross and which You continue to renew daily on our altars, promising with all our hearts that, whenever it is possible for us, and with the assistance of Your most holy grace, we will repair our own souls and will distance ourselves from the indifference of souls towards Your love, who oppose firmness of faith, the innocence of life and the perfect observance of the evangelical Law, and above all of charity and love. We at the same time will endeavor to avoid that You be injured and will work to attract all those we can so that they follow You, together with us.

O most good Jesus! Through the intercession of the Most Holy Virgin Mary Repairer, we supplicate that you receive this voluntary act of reparation; grant that we be faithful to Your mandates and to Your service until death; grant us the grace of perseverance, so that when we finally arrive happily to glory, we will be in union with the Father and the Holy Spirit, who lives and reigns, One God, forever and ever. *Amen*



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