

33 Day Consecration to Jesus Through the Immaculate Heart of Mary

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Day Two (2)

The Two Worlds

Why did St. Anthony leave his nice home? Why did St. Francis Xavier leave the University of Paris and go to India? Why did all the saints change their lives so much? Because God awakened them. They experienced another world known as the Kingdom of God. They saw the visible world and they saw Jesus' world. They set aside this world to share in Jesus' Kingdom. It is as simple as that.

What Happened

When God created the whole world, it was very good (Gen 1:31). Unfortunately, sin entered the world and contaminated the culture. When Jesus came, the world hated Him and He warned His disciples that the world would also hate them. The world's culture, which is an enemy to the Kingdom, lives in you and has power over you. So, you have to remove it.

What if someone gave you a beautiful set of new furniture? To accept this gift, you would first have to get rid of your old furniture. God offers you his new world, the Kingdom, and in these 33 days we are trying to get rid of the "old furniture".

The Virtues

It is clear, our souls are contaminated, and a great cleanup is needed for each of us (reflect on this today). You must make concrete decisions on what you can do to stop this pollution. Building on the previous day, continue to pray and ask the Trinity to "clean me up!". Thinking on the Theological Virtues bring forth all that God has taught you through His Son, Jesus. And do all that He tells you in full charity (words, deeds, actions), and offer them to our Mother's hands.

Saints

St. Ignatius of Loyola was a Spanish soldier who loved to dance with beautiful women. Getting wounded turned out to be a good fortune for him because during his recovery, he read about the life of Christ and the lives of the saints. He compared his two worlds-his life as a soldier with beautiful women and the peace he experienced at the thought of Christ's Kingdom.

After regaining his health, he spent two years in solitude, experiencing God. He also wrote his 30-day Spiritual Exercises, which has helped thousands experience God. His final meditation is on the Two Kingdoms. The retreatant is forced to make a choice-to turn back to the world or to move ahead into God's Kingdom. After these 33 days, you will make the same choice.

St. Louis de Montfort writes:

1. Right now, our loving Savior has His eyes on you.
2. The little group following Jesus speaks about prayer and penance.
They encourage one another to leave the world behind.
3. If you are resolved to become friends of God, resolve to drink the cup that Jesus drank.
4. If you are not among those who accept His love, you are among the lost.

Enter into Daily Common Prayers

DAILY COMMON PRAYERS

***P*ayer for Practicing of Virtues**

Dear Mother, pray for me. Help me on this day to clean up my worldly thinking and to become like St. Ignatius. Teach me again today to sincerely live out the Theological Virtues of Faith, Hope, and Charity. My Mother, increase my faith in my loving Abba and all that He has revealed to me. Grow my hope in the promise of eternal life, and show me how I can do works of charity in my life today. Amen.

***O*, Mary!**

O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.
Please spread the grace of the Flame of Love over all humanity! Amen.

***C*onsecration**

My Queen and my Mother, I give myself entirely to you, and to show my devotion I consecrate to you this day my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my heart, my whole being without reserve. Always dear Mother, I am your own, keep me, guard me as your property and possession. Amen.

***C*ome Creator Holy Spirit**

Come Holy Spirit, Creator, come to me come, from Your bright Heavenly throne!

Come, take possession of my soul, and make it all Your own.

You who are called the Paraclete, best gift of God above, the living Spirit, the living fire, sweet unction and true love! You who are sevenfold in Your grace, finger of God's right hand, His promise, teaching little ones to speak and understand!

O guide our minds with Your blessed light, with love our hearts enflame, and with Your strength, which never delays, confirm our mortal frame.

Far from us drive our hellish foe, true peace unto us bring, and through all perils guide us safely, beneath Your Sacred Wing, through You may we the Father know, through You the eternal Son, and You the Spirit of them both, Three blessed, three in one.

All glory to the Father be, and to the risen Son the same to you, O Paraclete, while endless ages run. Amen.

***T*ransformation Into Christ**

It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.

O, my Jesus, may our feet journey together,

May our hands gather in unity,

May our hearts beat to the same rhythm,

May our souls be in harmony,

May our thoughts be in unison,

May our ears listen to the silence together,

May our glances melt in one another,

And may our lips beg our Heavenly Father together

To obtain mercy on souls.

Amen.