

Even more explicitly did the Saviour reveal to Margaret Mary the effect of this devotion on the souls of men. It was, then, with boundless confidence in her truth-telling that the Blessed Visitandine asserted that if we knew how agreeable the practice of this devotion is to Jesus Christ, or how efficacious it would be for our own souls, there is no Christian who has the least love for that Divine Redeemer who would not practice it.

If then, we have any wish to be reckoned among those who truly love the Saviour, let us pledge our word to Him to practise this devotion and to make others do likewise; not merely because it is the most excellent, the most touching, the most useful, but because it is the easiest and simplest form of the service of God. Devotion to the Sacred Heart, reduced to its simplest and most practical expression, is to render love for love; to rejoice with our Lord when He is honored; to grieve when He is dishonored; to make reparation when we can and in the way we can; to look after the interests of Jesus in this world. This is the highest object we can work for; the noblest we can have in this life.

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Daily prayer during this month:

Divine Heart of Jesus, I offer Thee, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, the prayers, good works and sufferings of this day, in reparation for our sins, and according to all the intentions for which thou sacrificest Thyself continually on the altar. I offer them, in particular, for the still wider diffusion of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.