

SODALITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

That all would come to know they are greatly Loved by God

All are welcome to join us
in Celebration of the Love
of God through the Most
Sacred Heart of Jesus
First Fridays

Saint Mary Magdalen
Catholic Church
2618 S. Brentwood Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63144

June 5th

NO FIRST FRIDAY MASS @
St Mary Magdalen

PLEASE JOIN US @
Basilica of Saint Louis,
209 Walnut St.
St. Louis, MO 63102

1:30 PM - Adoration,
Reconciliation & Benediction
12:10 PM - Celebration of the
Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

June 12th
SOLEMNITY OF
THE MOST
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with Consecration of the United
States to the Sacred Heart
(See schedule below)



Living with the Sacred Heart of Jesus: Devotion, Consecration & Enthronement

The **Devotion** to the Sacred Heart of Jesus has existed since our Lord resided in the womb of Our Blessed Mother. It is our *“worship of and response to the Person of Christ as viewed from the perspective of His divine and human love which is manifested through His Sacred humanity and is symbolized by His wounded physical Heart. The veneration of our Lord’s Heart insofar as it honors Christ as the source and substance of our redemption, is not ordinary devotion. It is truly ‘latreutical’ - a devotion which is rendered to ‘God alone’.”* (Dr. Timothy O’Donnell, Heart of the Redeemer) Jesus is the personified revelation of the Father’s infinite love and mercy. As true God and true Man, He has a personal interest in every human being. *“But as for you the very hairs on your head are numbered.”* (Mt. 11:30).

In the history of our faith, revelations of Our Lord’s Sacred Heart often counteracted a heretical movement in society. In the 17th century, during the time of Jansenism, Jesus revealed His Heart, burning with love for humanity, to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. *“My divine Heart, is so passionately fond of the human race, that it cannot*



Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart

**Friday,
June 12th
@Saint Mary Magdalen,
Brentwood, MO 63144**

**Celebrant & Speaker:
Father James Kubicki, SJ,
SMSh Chaplain**

- **4 PM** - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Reconciliation
- **5 PM** - Eucharistic Procession & Benediction
- **5:30 PM** - Celebration of the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass followed by dinner in church lower level.
- **7 PM** - Reflection with activities for children and families to include pony rides, petting zoo, snow cones, face painting, & bounce houses.
- **Friends & family are welcome!!**

keep back the pent-up flames of Its burning charity any longer. They must burst through you and reveal My Heart to the world, so as to enrich mankind with My precious treasure.” (the words of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary of Alacoque, Dec. 27, 1673) Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is our response to and declaration of God's unceasing love for us. “In this is love, not that we have loved God, but that He has loved us... We love because He first loved us.” (1 John 10,19)

From our desire to return love for Love, we consecrate ourselves to the Heart of Jesus. **“Consecration** to the Sacred Heart is a way of responding to the love that fills His Heart. It is a way of committing oneself to the Sacred Heart and declaring I want to be devoted to you and to live my life as a response to Your love for me. I want my heart to be filled with the thoughts and feelings of Your Heart. I want our two hearts to beat as one so as I go through my day, I will live in such a way that other hearts will be set on fire with the love of Your Heart in me. In consecration, we are basically saying to Jesus, ‘You’ve given me everything. You’ve given me your very self. I give myself back to you.’” (Fr. James Kubicki, SJ, A Heart on Fire) Through consecration, we surrender and rededicate ourselves to the Heart of the Divine King. We ask Jesus to “make our hearts like unto Thine.” (Litany of the Sacred Heart).

Enthronement is “the official and social recognition of the rule of the Sacred Heart of Jesus over the Christian family, a recognition affirmed, outwardly expressed and made permanent by the solemn installation of the image of that divine Heart in a conspicuous place in the home, and by the Act of Consecration.” (Father Mateo Crawley-Boevey, SS.CC, Jesus King of Love). The enthronement ceremony solemnly declares Jesus as King and Friend of their family. They do this by placing an image of His Sacred Heart in a place of honor in their homes, renewing their commitment to be faithful disciples, and consecrating themselves to His Sacred Heart. By enthroning the Sacred Heart, families commit to embrace a way of life rooted in His truth, love, mercy and grace. “No one who has a deep devotion to the Sacred Heart will ever lose his soul. Since all blessings come from our Lord, they will be lavished especially on those places where an image of the Sacred Heart is displayed to win Him love and honor. In this way, He will mend broken homes, help and safeguard families in time of need.” (Saint Margaret Mary)

“In the Heart of Jesus, God shows us that He wants to be understood in His absolute desire to love, forgive, and save us.” (Saint John Paul II)