

# *Knights of Columbus*

St. John the Divine, Council 11053  
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## **The Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**



**O Heart of love, I put all my trust in Thee; for I  
fear all things from my own weakness, but I hope  
for all things from Thy goodness. Amen.**

## **June 2014**

## **TWO HEARTS**

One day a young man was standing in the middle of the town proclaiming that he had the most beautiful heart in the whole valley. A large crowd gathered and they all admired his heart, for it was perfect. There was not a mark or a flaw in it. Yes, they all agreed it truly was the most beautiful heart they had ever seen. The young man was very proud and boasted more loudly about his beautiful heart.

Suddenly, an old man appeared at the front of the crowd and said "Why, your heart is not nearly as beautiful as mine." The crowd and the young man looked at the old man's heart. It was beating strongly, but full of scars, it had places where pieces had been removed and other pieces put in but they didn't fit quite right and there were several jagged edges. In fact, in some places there were deep gouges where whole pieces were missing. The people stared. How can he say his heart is more beautiful, they thought?

The young man looked at the old man's heart and saw its state and laughed. "You must be joking," he said. "Compare your heart with mine, mine is perfect and yours is a mess of scars and tears."

"Yes," said the old man, "Yours is perfect looking but I would never trade with you. You see, every scar represents a person to whom I have given my love. I tear out a piece of my heart and give it to them, and often they give me a piece of their heart which fits into the empty place in my heart, but because the pieces aren't exact, I have some rough edges, which I cherish, because they remind me of the love we shared. Sometimes I have given pieces of my heart away, and the other person hasn't returned a piece of his heart to me. These are the empty gouges...giving love is taking a chance. Although these gouges are painful, they stay open, reminding me of the love I have for these people too, and I hope someday they may return and fill the space I have waiting. So now do you see what true beauty is?"

The young man stood silently with tears running down his cheeks. He walked up to the old man, reached into his perfect young and beautiful heart and ripped a piece out. He offered it to the old man with trembling hands. The old man took his offering, placed it in his heart and then took a piece from his old scarred heart and placed it in the wound in the young man's heart. It fit, but not perfectly, as there were some jagged edges.

The young man looked at his heart, not perfect anymore but more beautiful than ever, since love from the old man's heart flowed into his. They embraced and walked away side by side.

How sad it must be to go through life with a whole heart.

### ***Minute Meditations***

#### **Act With Great Love**

Giving ourselves to God and the greater good of all does not require grandiose gestures. It does require doing small things with great love. It means wholeheartedly committing to seeing the presence of God in all others, as well as ourselves.

#### **A Dwelling Place**

By investing ourselves in and making our relationship with God the primary relationship of our lives, we begin our transformation from simply housing the Word of God to becoming a home, a dwelling place and full-blown expression of God's unity.

#### **The Path of Jesus**

Becoming a dwelling place for God begins with our commitment—our commitment to transformation. Our commitment to free ourselves from our egos places us directly on the path of Jesus.

## The Sacred Heart and Our Spiritual Life



Devotion to the Sacred Heart is a wonderful historical expression of the Church's piety for Christ, her Spouse and Lord: it calls for a fundamental attitude of conversion and reparation, of love and gratitude, apostolic commitment and dedication to Christ and his saving work.

Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus are numerous. Some have been explicitly approved and frequently recommended by the Apostolic See. Among these, mention should be made of the following:



### **Personal Consecration**

Personal consecration, described by Pius XI as "undoubtedly the principal devotional practice used in relation to the Sacred Heart" (*Miserentissimus redemptor*).



### **Family Consecration**

Family consecration to the Sacred Heart, in which the family, by virtue of the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony already participating in the mystery of the unity and love of Christ for the Church, is dedicated to Christ so that he might reign in the hearts of all its members (*Aliae concessiones*).



### **Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

The Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, approved for the whole Church in 1891, which is evidently biblical in character and to which many indulgences have been attached (*Aliae concessiones*).



### **Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart**

The act of reparation, a prayer with which the faithful, mindful of the infinite goodness of Christ, implore mercy for the offences committed in so many ways against his Sacred Heart (*Aliae concessiones*).



### **The Practice of the First Fridays**

The pious practice of the first Fridays of the month which derives from the "great promises" made by Jesus to St. Margaret Mary. At a time when sacramental communion was very rare among the faithful, the first Friday devotion contributed significantly to a renewed use of the Sacraments of Penance and of the Holy Eucharist. In our own times, the devotion to the first Fridays, even if practised correctly, may not always lead to the desired spiritual fruits. Hence, the faithful require constant instruction so that any reduction of

the practice to mere credulity is avoided and an active faith encouraged so that the faithful may undertake their commitment to the Gospel correctly in their lives. They should also be reminded of the absolute preeminence of Sunday, the "primordial feast" (*Sacrosanctum Concilium*), which should be marked by the full participation of the faithful at the celebration of the Holy Mass.

Excepted from the *Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy*

### **Twelve Promises of Jesus to Saint Margaret Mary**

In the apparitions to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Jesus gives these twelve promises for those who are devoted to His Sacred Heart.

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
  2. I will establish peace in their families.
  3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. They shall find in My Heart an assured refuge during life and especially at the hour of their death.
  5. I will pour abundant blessings on all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in My Heart the source of an infinite ocean of mercy.
  7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
  8. Fervent souls shall speedily rise to great perfection.
9. I will bless the homes where an image of My Heart shall be exposed and honored.
10. I will give to priests the power of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. Those who propagate this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart, never to be effaced.
12. The all-powerful love of My Heart will grant to all those who shall receive Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die under my displeasure, nor without receiving their Sacraments; My heart shall be their assured refuge at that last hour.

# Knights in Action Yard Sales 2014





## **Financial Secretary Reminders and Reports:**

Dear Brothers, first and foremost on behalf of the Executive we wish to thank all Brothers that have lent a hand, idea, prayer, and suggestion this year. Without all our Brothers, our work could never be completed.

Please keep the Golf Tournament in your mind as the day is fast approaching as we close in on our goal to reach 100 golfers. A special thank you to our Grand Knight Gary Pullam for laying the ground work to get the Tournament off and running. We are currently in need of more golfers, hole sponsorships and Brothers to assist on the Tournament Day.

Please find attached our Bank statement for the Month of May. Please bring any questions you may have to the General Meeting. I will provide a report on the May Dinner at the meeting as well.

The Executive for 2014/2015 is still in need of a Warden please give this some thought and let us know.

## **Happy Birthday**

John M Savel 06-03-1943

Murray Hamilton 06-06-1942

John L Mac Isaac 06-08-1938

Julian Smith 06-09-1927 87

Ron P Leyes 06-13-1942

Richard R Ostrowski 06-14-1942

Robert H Waddick 06-16-1944

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**The next General Meeting will be June 10, 2014 at 7:30pm and refreshments will follow afterwards.**

**Have a safe and happy Summer Holiday.**

**Our executive decided to go to the Buccaneer for our June social on**

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 18, AT 6 pm**

**RSVP to Joe Metron by June 15**

**519 652 3435 to reserve.**



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