



SUGGESTED PLENARY INDULGENCE OF THE MONTH

JUNE 2022

ACT OF REPARATION TO THE SACRED HEART

A *partial indulgence* is granted the Christian faithful who devoutly recite the above act of reparation. This indulgence will be a *plenary* one when this Act of Reparation is publicly recited on the solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The prayer is as follows:

Most loving Jesus, how great is the love which you have poured out upon the world. How casual and careless is our response! Kneeling before you, we wish to atone for the indifference and the slights which pierce you to the heart.

R). *Praise to the heart of Jesus, our Savior and our God.*

We ask forgiveness for our own shameful neglect. We wish to make amends for those who are obstinate in their unbelief, for those who turn away from the light and wander like sheep without a shepherd, and for those who have broken their baptismal promises and reject the gentle yoke of your law. R).

We wish to make amends for the sins of our society:
for lust and degradation, for the corruption of the young,
for indifference and blasphemy,
for attacks against your Church,
for irreverence and even sacrilege against Your love in the Blessed Sacrament, and for the public defiance of your law. R).



These are the sins for which you died, but now we share in your atonement by offering on the altar in union with you the living sacrifice you made on the cross, joining to it the sufferings of your Virgin Mother and those of all the saints and the whole church. R).

We promise faithfully, that by your grace we shall make reparation for our own sins, and for those of others by a strong faith, by holy living, and by obedience to the law of the Gospel, whose greatest commandment is that of charity. R).

We also promise to do our best to discourage others from insulting you and bring those we can to follow you. R).

Jesus Lord, receive this loving act of homage together with the prayers of our Lady, who stood by the cross, our model in reparation. Keep us faithful, even to the point of death, give us the gift of perseverance and lead us all to our promised land in heaven, where you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, live and reign for ever and ever. Amen. R).

FR. EUGENE'S COMMENTARY & SUGGESTION

The Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be on Friday, June 24. On this day, here at STM, during our 6:00 pm Friday Holy Hour, we will have an opportunity to pray this Act of Reparation. Pope Pius XII described this devotion as follows: "It is altogether impossible to enumerate the heavenly gifts which devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus has poured out on the souls of the faithful, purifying them, offering them heavenly strength, rousing them to the attainment of all virtues. Therefore, recalling those wise words of the Apostle St. James, 'Every best gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of Lights,'" ("Haurietis Aquas: On Devotion to the Sacred Heart").

CONDITIONS FOR RECEIVING A PLENARY INDULGENCE

1. Do the prescribed work.
2. Receive Holy Communion within several days (before or after) of the indulgenced act.
3. Go to confession within several days (before or after) the indulgenced act
4. Pray for the Pope. An Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be can suffice.
5. Be free from attachment to all sin, even venial sin.
6. OTHER NOTES: · In order to be capable of gaining indulgences one must be baptized, not excommunicated, and in the state of grace (free of mortal sin) at least at the completion of the prescribed works. · To gain an indulgence, one must have at least the general intention of doing so and must carry out the enjoined works at the stated time and in due fashion, according to the sense of the grant. · Plenary indulgences can be applied to one's self, or to a person who has died. · Only one plenary indulgence may be obtained per day. · A single sacramental confession suffices for gaining several plenary indulgences; but Holy Communion must be received and prayer for the intention of the Holy Father must be recited for the gaining of each plenary indulgence. · Special exceptions can always be made for those who are sick or disabled in which case please inquire with the priest.