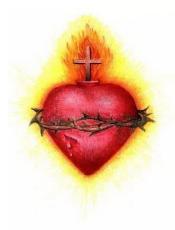
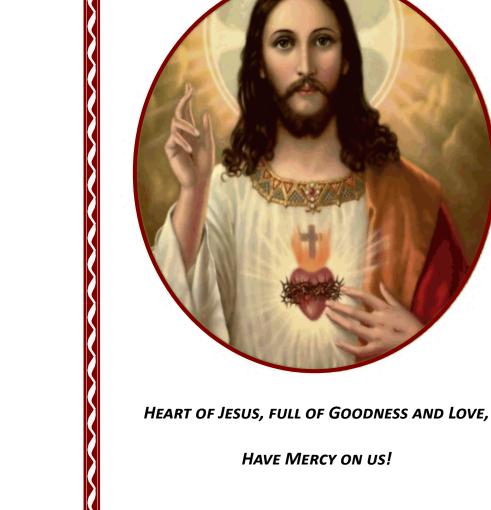
Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, (*spare us, O Lord.*) Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, (*graciously hear us, O Lord.*)

Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world, (have mercy on us.) Jesus, meek and humble of Heart. (Make our hearts like unto Thine.)

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, look upon the Heart of Thy well-beloved Son and upon the acts of praise and satisfaction which He renders unto Thee in the name of sinners; and do Thou, in Thy great goodness, grant pardon to them who seek Thy mercy, in the name of the same Thy Son, Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee, world without end. (Amen.)

The faithful who pray any of these Litanies, under the usual conditions, receive a partial indulgence. When prayed, one person (or half the people) chants or reads the invocation while the others chant or read the responses which are in italics in the previous pages.





LITANY TO THE

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

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The Six Litanies Approved for Public Recitation

From the Catholic Encyclopedia:

A litany is a well known and much appreciated form of responsive petition, used in public liturgical services, and in private devotions, for common necessities of the Church, or in calamities — to implore God's aid or to appease His just wrath. This form of prayer finds its model in Psalm cxxxv: 'Praise the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever. Praise ye the God of gods . . . the Lord of lords . . . Who alone doth great wonders . . . Who made the heavens', etc., with the concluding words in each verse, "for His mercy endureth forever."...

...Litanies appeared in honour of God the Father, of God the Son, of God the Holy Ghost, of the Precious Blood, of the Blessed Virgin, of the Immaculate Conception, of each of the saints honoured in different countries, for the souls in Purgatory, etc. In 1601 Baronius wrote that about eighty forms were in circulation. To prevent abuse, Pope Clement VIII, by decree of the Inquisition of 6 Sept., 1601, forbade the

publication of any litany, except that of the saints as found in the liturgical books and that of Loreto. Today the litanies approved for public recitation are: of All Saints, of Loreto, of the Holy Name, of the Sacred Heart, of St. Joseph [*Ed.* and, approved in 1960, of the Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ].

Many, many other litanies exist, and all of them may be prayed privately, but only these six are approved for public prayer.

The Litany of the Sacred Heart is a "natural" for the month of June, dedicated to Christ's Heart.

Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us. God, the Father of Heaven, God, the Son, Redeemer of the World, God, the Holy Ghost, Holy Trinity, one God,

Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father, Heart of Jesus, formed in the womb of the Virgin Mother by the Holy Ghost, h Heart of Jesus, united substantially with the word of God, Heart of Jesus, of infinite majesty, а Heart of Jesus, holy temple of God, ν Heart of Jesus, tabernacle of the Most High, е Heart of Jesus, house of God and gate of heaven, Heart of Jesus, glowing furnace of charity, Heart of Jesus, vessel of justice and love, m Heart of Jesus, full of goodness and love, е Heart of Jesus, abyss of all virtues, Heart of Jesus, most worthy of all praise, r Heart of Jesus, king and center of all hearts, С Heart of Jesus, in whom are all the treasures of wisdom У and knowledge, Heart of Jesus, in whom dwelleth all the fullness of the Divinity, 0 Heart of Jesus, in whom the Father is well pleased, n Heart of Jesus, of whose fullness we have all received, Heart of Jesus, desire of the everlasting hills, u Heart of Jesus, patient and rich in mercy, Heart of Jesus, rich to all who invoke Thee, S Heart of Jesus, fount of life and holiness, Heart of Jesus, propitiation for our sins, Heart of Jesus, saturated with revilings, Heart of Jesus, crushed for our iniquities, Heart of Jesus, made obedient unto death, Heart of Jesus, pierced with a lance, Heart of Jesus, source of all consolation, Heart of Jesus, our life and resurrection, Heart of Jesus, our peace and reconciliation, Heart of Jesus, victim for our sins, Heart of Jesus, salvation of those who hope in Thee, Heart of Jesus, hope of those who die in Thee, Heart of Jesus, delight of all saints,