**An Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart from the Raccolta**

O Mary, Virgin most powerful and Mother of mercy, Queen of Heaven and Refuge of sinners, We consecrate ourselves to thine Immaculate Heart.

We consecrate to thee our very being and our whole lives; all that we have, all that we love, all that we are. To thee we give our body, our hearts and our souls; to thee we give our home, our family, our country, the State of Georgia, and the city of Atlanta. We desire that all that is in us and around us may belong to thee, and may share in the benefits of thy motherly benediction. And that this act of consecration may be truly efficacious and lasting, we renew this day at thy feet the promises of our Baptism and our first Holy Communion. We pledge ourselves to profess courageously and at all times the truths of our holy Faith, and to live as befits a Catholic who is duly submissive to all the directions of the Pope and the Bishops in communion with him. We pledge ourselves to keep the commandments of God and His Church, in particular to keep holy the Lord's Day. We likewise pledge ourselves to make the consoling practices of the Christian religion, and above all, Holy Communion, an integral part of our lives, in so far as we are be able so to do. Finally, we promise thee, O glorious Mother of God and loving Mother of men, to devote ourselves whole-heartedly to the service of thy blessed cult, in order to hasten and assure, through the sovereignty of thine Immaculate Heart, the coming of the kingdom of the Sacred Heart of thine adorable Son, in our own hearts and in those of all men, in our country, the State of Georgia, the city of Atlanta, and in all the world, as in Heaven, so on earth. Amen.

**An Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart from the Raccolta**

We give ourselves and consecrate to the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ, our persons and our lives, our actions, pains and sufferings, so that we may be unwilling to make use of any part of our being, save to honor, love and glorify the Sacred Heart.

This is our unchanging purpose, namely, to be all His, and to do all things for the love of Him, at the same time renouncing with all our hearts whatever is displeasing to Him.

We therefore take Thee, O Sacred Heart, to be the only object of our love, the guardian of our lives, our assurance of salvation, the remedy of our weaknesses and inconstancies, the atonement for all the faults of our lives and our sure refuge at the hour of death.

Be then, O Heart of goodness, our justification before God Thy Father, and turn away from us the strokes of His righteous anger. O Heart of love, we put all our confidence in Thee, for we fear everything from our own wickedness and frailty, but we hope for all things from Thy goodness and bounty.

Do Thou consume in us all that can displease Thee or resist Thy holy will; let Thy pure love imprint Thee so deeply upon our hearts, that we shall nevermore be able to forget Thee or to be separated from Thee; may we obtain from all Thy loving kindness the grace of having our names written in Thee, for in Thee we desire to place all our happiness and all our glory, living and dying in very bondage to Thee.

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