



**Chaplet of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
Raccolta # 392**

- V. O God, come unto my assistance;
R. O Lord, make haste to help me.
- V. Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
R. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end.
- I. Immaculate Virgin, who being conceived without sin, didst direct every movement of thy most pure heart toward God, and wast always submissive to His divine will; obtain for me the grace to hate sin with all my heart and to learn from thee to live in perfect resignation to the will of God. (Our Father and Hail Mary seven times.)
- II. O Mary, I wonder at that profound humility, which troubled thy blessed heart at the message of the Angel Gabriel, that thou hadst been chosen to be the Mother of the Son of the most high God, the while thou didst profess thyself His lowly handmaiden; ashamed at the sight of my own pride, I beg of thee the grace of a contrite and humble heart, so that, acknowledging my misery, I may come to attain the glory promised to those who are truly humble of heart. (Our Father once and Hail Mary seven times.)
- III. Blessed Virgin, who didst keep in thy heart the precious treasure of the words of Jesus thy Son and, pondering over the sublime mysteries therein contained, couldst live only for God, how am I confounded by the coldness of my heart! Ah, dear Mother, obtain for me the grace of meditating always on the holy law of God, and of seeking to follow thine example in the fervent practice of all the Christian virtues. (Our Father once and Hail Mary seven times.)
- IV. O glorious Queen of Martyrs, whose sacred heart, in the Passion of thy Son, was cruelly pierced by the sword foretold by the holy and aged Simeon; obtain for my heart true courage and holy patience to bear well the tribulations and trials of this wretched life; may I show myself to be thy true child by crucifying my flesh and all its desires in following the mortification of the Cross. (Our Father once and Hail Mary seven times.)
- V. O Mary, mystic rose, whose lovable heart, burning with the living fire of love, adopted us as thy children at the foot of the Cross, becoming thus our most tender Mother, make me experience the sweetness of thy motherly heart and the power of thine intercession with Jesus, in all the dangers that beset me during life, and especially at the dread hour of my death; in such wise may my heart be ever united to thine, and love Jesus both now and through endless ages. Amen. (Our Father once and Hail Mary seven times.)

(The above Chaplet offers an indulgence of 3 years. A Plenary Indulgence on the usual conditions, for the daily recitation of these prayers over the period of one month (S. C. Ind., Dec. 11, 1854; S. P. Ap., July 2, 1931). However, Raccolta #388 states, "The faithful who devoutly recite prayers in honor of the most pure Heart of Mary, at any season of the year, with the intention of preserving in the same for nine consecutive days may gain: An indulgence of 5 years, once on any day of the novena; A Plenary Indulgence on the usual conditions at the end of the Novena (Pius IX, Audience Jan. 3 1849; S. C. of Bishops and Religious, Jan 28, 1850; S. C. Ind., Nov. 26, 1876; S. P. Ap., April 29, 1933). Raccolta #389 states: The faithful who

offer r or other acts of piety in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, on any day during the month of August, may gain: An indulgence of 5 years, once. Those who persevere in such a devout exercise daily throughout the month of August, may gain; A Plenary Indulgence on the usual conditions (S. C. Holy Off., March 13, 1913; S. P. Ap., June 2, 1935).

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Let us pray: O heart of Mary, Mother of God, and our Mother; Heart most worthy of love, in which the adorable Trinity is ever well-pleased, worthy of the veneration and love of all the Angels and of all men; Heart most like to the Heart of Jesus, of which thou art the perfect image; Heart, full of goodness, ever compassionate toward our miseries; deign to melt our icy hearts and grant that they may be wholly changed into the likeness of the Heart of Jesus, our Divine Saviour. Pour into them the love thy virtues, enkindle in them that divine fire with which thou thyself doest ever burn.

In thee let Holy Church find a safe shelter; protect her and be her dearest refuge, her tower of strength, impregnable against every assault of her enemies. Be thou the way which leads to Jesus, and the channel, through which we receive all the graces needful for our salvation. Be our refuge in time of trouble, our solace in the midst of trial, our strength against temptation, our haven in persecution, our present help in every danger, and especially at the hour of death, when all hell shall let loose against us its legions to snatch away our souls, at that dread moment, that hour so full of fear, whereon our eternity depends. Ah, then most tender Virgin, make us to feel the sweetness of thy motherly heart and the might of thine intercession with Jesus, and open to us a safe refuge in that very fountain of mercy, whence we may come to praise Him with thee in paradise, would without end. Amen. *(An indulgence of 500 days. A Plenary Indulgence on the usual conditions, provided that this prayer be devoutly recited every day for a month. (S. C. Ind., Aug. 18, 1807 and Feb. 1, 1816; S. P. Ap., Sept. 15, 1934).*

An Act of Consecration

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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 life; all that we have, all that we love, all that we are. To thee we give our bodies, our hearts and our souls; to thee we give our homes, our families, our country. 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 Catholics who are 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 shall 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 and in all the world, as in Heaven, so on earth. Amen. *(An indulgence of 3 years. A Plenary Indulgence, on the usual conditions, if this act of consecration is repeated daily for a month (S. C. Ind., Feb. 21, 1907; S. P. Ap., April 28, 1933).*