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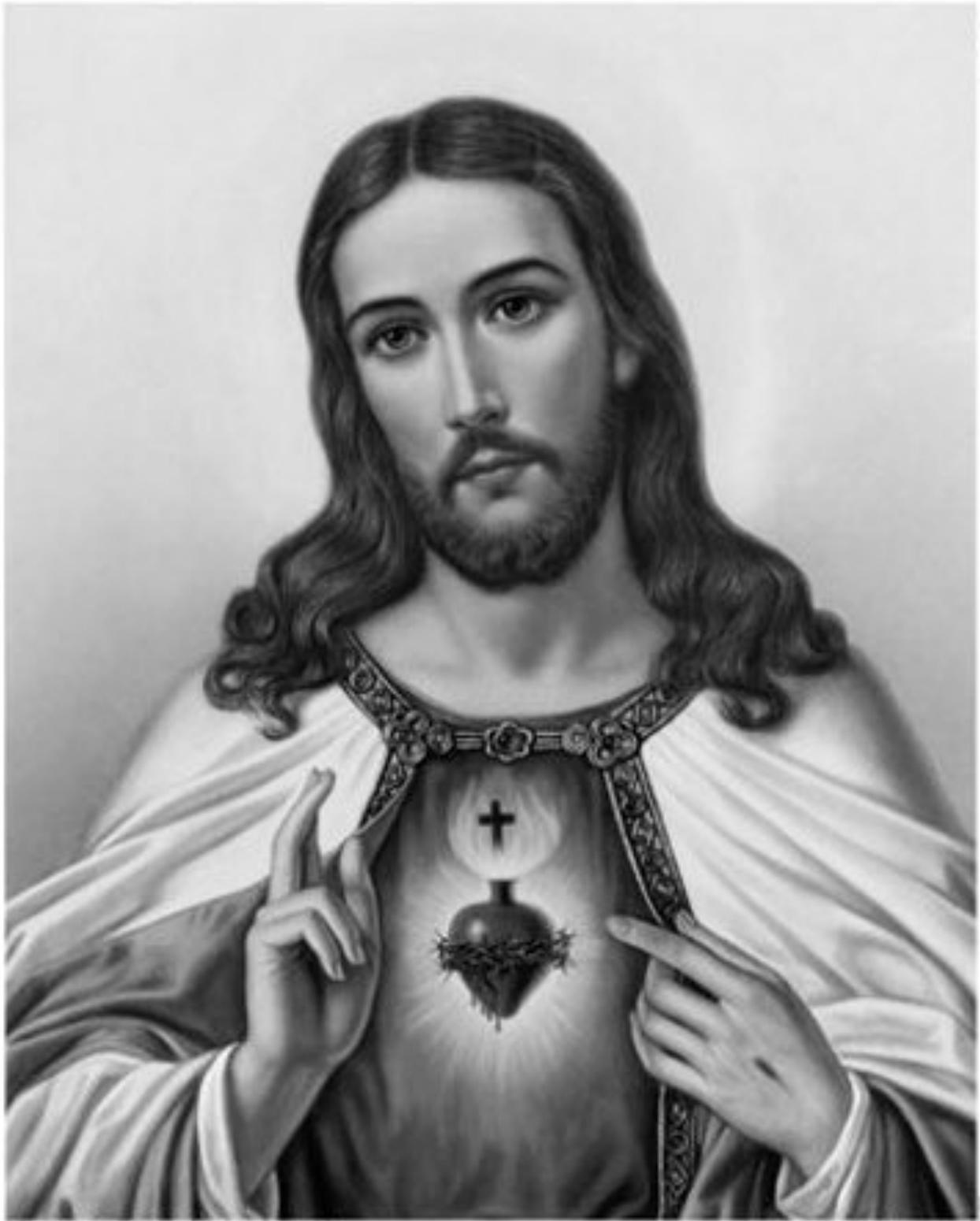
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**MESSAGES:**

## **O.L.F. Year For The Eucharist June 20, 2010 - June 19, 2011**



**Mon. 6/06**     **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Cancer**  
 Feast            Saint Norbert, bishop  
 8:00 AM Mass   Spec. Int. for J. Kasun Sr. & Ext. Family, *Catarina Wong*

**Tues. 6/07**     **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Heart Diseases**  
 Feast            Easter Weekday  
 8:00 AM Mass   Fr. Anthony Pollack, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Gaeto

**Wed. 6/08**     **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Arthritis**  
 Feast            Easter Weekday  
 8:00 AM Mass   Spec. Int. for Francisco Joe TSE B/day, *Catarina Wong*

**Thur. 6/09**     **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Nervous Disorders**  
 Feast            Saint Ephram, deacon and doctor of the church  
 8:00 AM Mass   Frances Kasun, *Irene Kyle*

**Fri. 6/10**      **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Emotional Disorders**  
 Feast            Easter Weekday  
 8:00 AM Mass   Theresa McCall, *Jennifer & Chris Snyder*

**Sat. 6/11**      **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Diabetes**  
 Feast            Pentecost Sunday  
 4:30 PM Mass   Sally Colledge, *Pete Colledge*

**Sun. 6/12**      **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Addictions**  
 Feast            Pentecost Sunday  
 9:00 AM Mass   Cecilia Galant, *Stan Galant and Family*  
 11:00 AM        Liv. & Dec. members of Our Lady of Fatima Parish

*Lord  
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**Saint Vincent De Paul Soup Kitchen**  
**"Annual Doughnut Sale"**  
**Date: June 18th & 19th (sold after all Masses)**  
**Cost: \$3.00 a dozen or 2 dozen for \$5.00**

We thank all of those who have helped in the past and those who are helping now. This is what makes this fund raiser a success to help those in need. Please help by buying doughnuts or donating money. Thank you for all your support!

**MONEY MATTERS**  
**Sixth Sunday (May 29, 2011)**  
 232 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$ 2,548.50 of which \$280.00 accounted for visitor contributions.

# Envelopes In Circulation	215	# Used	94	# Unused	121
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*Total Holy Land Collection = \$ 208.00     Catholic Home Missions = \$20.00*

*Our Lady of Fatima Pleaded That we pray the Holy Rosary Daily  
 At O.L.F. before each Mass and privately from 8:30am to 7:00pm*

Happy Birthday:		Happy Wedding Anniversary:	
6/4	Barbara Wozniak	6/5	Joseph and Orvita Knott
6/5	Geraldine Rose	6/7	Troy and Shana Smith
6/6	John Noonan	6/9	John and Deborah Wall
6/9	Thomas Stoltz		
6/10	Joseph Merritt		

### A Meditation on the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Devotion to the Sacred Heart, as we know it, began about the year 1672. On repeated occasions, Jesus appeared to Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, a Visitation nun, in France, and during these apparitions He explained to her the devotion to His Sacred Heart as He wanted people to practice it. He asked to be honored in the symbol of His Heart of flesh; he asked for acts of reparation, for frequent Communion, Communion on the First Friday of the month, and the keeping of the Holy Hour.

When the Catholic Church approved the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, she did not base her action only on the visions of Saint Margaret Mary. The Church approved the devotion on its own merits. There is only one Person in Jesus, and that Person was at the same time God and Man. His Heart, too, is Divine -- it is the Heart of God.

There are two things that must always be found together in the devotion to the Sacred Heart: Christ's Heart of flesh and Christ's love for us. True devotion to the Sacred Heart means devotion to the Divine Heart of Christ insofar as His Heart represents and recalls His love for us.

In honoring the Heart of Christ, our homage lingers on the Person of Jesus in the fullness of His love. This love of Christ for us was the moving force of all he did and suffered for us -- in Nazareth, on the Cross, in giving Himself in the Blessed Sacrament, in His teaching and healing, in His praying and working. When we speak of the Sacred Heart, we mean Jesus showing us His Heart, Jesus all love for us and all lovable.

Jesus Christ is the incarnation of God's infinite love. The Human Nature which the Son of God took upon Himself was filled with love and kindness that has never found an equal. He is the perfect model of love of God and neighbor.

Every day of His life was filled with repeated proofs of "Christ's love that surpasses all knowledge" (Eph 3:19). Jesus handed down for all time the fundamental feature of His character: "Take My yoke upon your shoulders and learn from Me, for I am meek and humble of Heart" (Mt 11:29). He invited all, refusing none, surprising friends and rivals by His unconditional generosity.

The meaning of love in the life of Jesus was especially evident in His sufferings. Out of love for His Father He willed to undergo the death of the Cross. "The world must know that I love the Father and do just as the Father has commanded Me" (Jn 14:31).

The love that Jesus bore toward us also urged Him to undergo the death of the Cross. At the Last Supper, He said, "There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends" (Jn 15:13)

The Heart of Jesus never ceases to love us in heaven. He sanctifies us through the Sacraments. These are inexhaustible fountains of grace and holiness which have their source in the boundless ocean of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

# **Novena to the Sacred Heart Prayer**

Divine Jesus, You have said, "Ask and you shall receive; seek and you shall find; knock and it shall be opened to you." Behold me kneeling at Your feet, filled with a lively faith and confidence in the promises dictated by Your Sacred Heart to Saint Margaret Mary. I come to ask this favor: (Silently mention your request).

To whom can I turn if not to You, Whose Heart is the source of all graces and merits? Where should I seek if not in the treasure which contains all the riches of Your kindness and mercy? Where should I knock if not at the door through which God gives Himself to us and through which we go to God? I have recourse to You, Heart of Jesus. In You I find consolation when afflicted, protection when persecuted, strength when burdened with trials, and light in doubt and darkness.

Dear Jesus, I firmly believe that You can grant me the grace I implore, even though it should require a miracle. You have only to will it and my prayer will be granted. I admit that I am most unworthy of Your favors, but this is not a reason for me to be discouraged. You are the God of mercy, and You will not refuse a contrite heart. Cast upon me a look of mercy, I beg of You, and Your kind Heart will find in my miseries and weakness a reason for granting my prayer.

Sacred Heart, whatever may be Your decision with regard to my request, I will never stop adoring, loving, praising, and serving You. My Jesus, be pleased to accept this my act of perfect resignation to the decrees of Your adorable Heart, which I sincerely desire may be fulfilled in and by me and all Your creatures forever.

Grant me the grace for which I humbly implore You through the Immaculate Heart of Your most sorrowful Mother. You entrusted me to her as her child, and her prayers are all-powerful with You. Amen.

- *Traditionally, the entire month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Oddly, this year the feast of the Sacred Heart falls on July 1.*
- *Notice the cover sheet of the bulletin where it states that our parish "Year For The Eucharist" ends on June 19, 2011.*
- *The Pastor has made a unilateral decision that June 2011 until June 2012 at O.L. F. will be "The Year Of Catholic Devotions". Each month will be devoted to fostering "traditional" (non-Mass or Rosary) devotions.*
- *Hence, for the remainder of June, we will be saying the above Novena prayer after each daily and weekend Mass demonstrating our devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Notice the placement of the Statue of the Sacred Heart in the sanctuary.*

During each of the Months remaining in 2011 as well as all of the months 'til June in 2012 we will be having special devotions, usually but not always or exclusively, after each weekday and each weekend Mass, according to the schedule shown to the right of this announcement.

Often there are varying versions of these devotions or even different devotions. The pastor is open to reviewing any favorites any parishioner may have.

Month	Dedication / Devotion
January	The Holy Name of Jesus
February	The Holy Family
March	St. Joseph
April	The Holy Eucharist
May	The Blessed Virgin Mary
June *	The Sacred Heart of Jesus
July	The Precious Blood of Jesus
August	The Immaculate Heart of Mary
September	The Seven Dolours of The Sorrowful Mother
October	The Holy Rosary
November	The Holy Souls in Purgatory
December	The Immaculate Conception

**Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque** Religious of the Visitation Order. Apostle of the Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, born at Lhautecour, France, 22 July, 1647; died at Paray-le-Monial, 17 October, 1690. Her parents, Claude Alacoque and Philiberte Lamyn, were distinguished less for temporal possessions than for their virtue, which gave them an honorable position. From early childhood Margaret showed intense love for the Blessed Sacrament, and preferred silence and prayer to childish amusements. After her first communion at the age of nine, she practiced in secret severe corporal mortifications, until paralysis confined her to bed for four years. At the end of this period, having made a vow to the Blessed Virgin to consecrate herself to religious life, she was instantly restored to perfect health. The death of her father and the injustice of a relative plunged the family in poverty and humiliation, after which more than ever Margaret found consolation in the Blessed Sacrament, and Christ, made her sensible of His presence and protection. He usually appeared to her as the Crucified or the Ecce Homo, and this did not surprise her, as she thought others had the same Divine assistance.

On 25 May, 1671, she entered the Visitation Convent at Paray, where she was subjected to many trials to prove her vocation, and in November, 1672, pronounced her final vows.

Margaret Mary was inspired by Christ to establish the Holy Hour and to pray lying prostrate with her face to the ground from eleven till midnight on the eve of the first Friday of each month, to share in the mortal sadness He endured when abandoned by His Apostles in His Agony, and to receive holy Communion on the first Friday of every month. In the first great revelation, He made known to her His ardent desire to be loved by all men and His design of manifesting His Heart with all Its treasures of love and mercy, of sanctification and salvation. He called her "the Beloved Disciple of the Sacred Heart", and the heiress of all Its treasures. The love of the Sacred Heart was the fire which consumed her, and devotion to the Sacred Heart is the refrain of all her writings. In her last illness she refused all alleviation, repeating frequently: "What have I in heaven and what do I desire on earth, but Thee alone, O my God", and died pronouncing the Holy Name of Jesus.

The discussion of the mission and virtues of Margaret Mary continued for years. All her actions, her revelations, her spiritual maxims, her teachings regarding the devotion to the Sacred Heart, of which she was the chief exponent as well as the apostle, were examined and approved, St. Margaret Mary was canonized by Benedict XV in 1920.