

FAQ's

Q: What is meant by the word "Enthronement"?

A: "Enthronement means to place on a throne as a recognition of someone's authority, in this case the authority of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, our Sovereign King.

Q: Why have the image of the Sacred Heart Enthroned?

A: To outwardly indicate that Jesus is the King of our family, who rules us through His heart, through love, and that we accept His rule of love, and consecrate our family to His Sacred Heart.

Q: Where should an Enthronement take place?

A: In a conspicuous place in your home, a family room, dining room, den, where your family and friends gather most frequently.

Q: How do I prepare for an Enthronement?

A: Choose a date when most of the family and/or friends can be present. Prepare a home "altar" or "throne" or "shrine" where the images can be enthroned. It may be decorated with a cloth, fresh flowers, and candles. If no suitable level area is available the image(s) may be enthroned and hung on a wall.

Q: I have an image of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Can that be enthroned too?

A: Absolutely. Prayers are included to Our Blessed Mother during the ceremony and her image may be enthroned also.

Q: Who can do an Enthronement?

A; A priest can bless the images and perform the ceremony, which takes about half an hour. The head of the family or Legionaries of Mary may also perform the ceremony, with the images previously blessed.

Q: Is there follow-up to an Enthronement?

A: Yes, you invite Jesus to share your everyday life as Friend, constant Companion, and King. Family prayer, especially the rosary, is the best. Also a daily renewal of your Consecration helps "Keep your Enthronement Alive".

Q: What is the daily renewal of Consecration?

A: It may be prayed as follows:
"Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, we renew our pledge today of love and loyalty to You. Keep us always close to your loving Heart, and to the most pure heart of Your Mother. May we love one another more and more each day, forgiving each other's faults as

You forgive our sins. Teach us to see you in the members of our family and those we meet outside the home, loving them as You love them, especially the poor and the oppressed, that we may be instrumental in bringing about justice and peace. Please help us to carry our cross daily out of love for You, and to strengthen this love by frequent Mass and Communion. Thank you Dear Jesus, King and Friend of our family, for all the blessings of this day, Protect us and all families during this day. Help us to live that we may all get to heaven. Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us! St. Joseph, pray for us! Our Guardian Angels, pray for us!"

Q: I live alone: is there another prayer that can be said, or do I have to use this one, and make changes?

A: You may certainly say this one with appropriate changes for your family situation. However there is another element to devotion to the Sacred Heart and this is reparation. We may offer all we think, say and do each day to His Sacred Heart in reparation for all the outrages and sacrileges with which He is daily offended. This may be along the lines of:
"I gladly offer you today , O most Sacred Heart of Jesus, all my thoughts, words and deeds, and any trials or sufferings I may

endure for the intentions of Thy most Sacred Heart, in reparation of sins and for the salvation of the world. Accept this consecration I make today of every faculty of my soul and body. I offer this all through the most holy Immaculate Heart of Mary, that she may complete these in You for the praise and Glory of Your Name and for Love of You. Amen."

Q: Do we have to say such long prayers?

A: No! You may say anything that comes from your heart, even brief prayers such as: "All for you, most Sacred heart of Jesus." or, "Sacred Heart of Jesus, I love you and I trust in You." or " Sacred Heart of Jesus, I give myself to you through Mary." or any other prayer you wish. He is your Friend, you may speak with Him as you wish!

Q: What else can I do to make my Enthronement effective?

A: In the home: Be kind and loving to others, read scripture, pray together. Keep flowers or a plant by your image, at the "shrine", with candles to be lit during prayer, if desired.

Outside the Home: Be faithful to Sunday Mass...More frequent Mass, Confession and Communion, especially on First Fridays and First Saturdays. Practice the corporeal and

spiritual works of mercy (Find out what they are!)

We sincerely hope and pray that the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in your home will bring you and your loved ones the extraordinary blessings promised by Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Sources:

National Enthronement Center
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What is an Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus?

