Consecration Prayer to the Sacred Heart

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, Who made known to St. Margaret Mary your ardent desire to reign over Christian families, behold us assembled here today to proclaim your absolute dominion over our parish home of St. Stephen Catholic Church.

Henceforth we purpose to lead a life like unto yours, so that amongst us may flourish the virtues for which You promised peace on earth, and for this end we will banish from our midst the spirit of the world which You abhor so much.

You will reign over our understanding by the simplicity of our faith. You will reign over our hearts by an ardent love for You; and may the flame of this love be ever kept burning in our hearts by the frequent reception of the Holy Eucharist.

O Divine Heart, preside over our meetings, bless our undertakings, both spiritual and temporal, banish all worry and care, sanctify our joys, and soothe our sorrows. If any of us should ever have the misfortune to grieve Your Sacred Heart, remind him of Your goodness and mercy towards the repentant sinner.

Lastly, when the hour of separation will sound, and death will plunge our parish into mourning, then shall we all, and every one of us, be resigned to Your eternal decrees, and seek consolation in the thought that we shall one day be reunited in Heaven, where we shall sing the praises and blessings of Your Sacred Heart for all eternity.

May the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and the glorious Patriarch St. Joseph, offer You this our Consecration, and remind us of the same all the days of our life. Glory to the Divine Heart of Jesus, our King and our Father. Amen.

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