

**SOLEMN CONSECRATION TO THE  
SORROWFUL AND IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY  
AT THE CATHEDRAL**

**Universal Prayer**

**The Bishop, with hands joined, says:**

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters), let us implore the Lord to hear our prayers through the intercession of his Blessed Mother, Mary.

**Then the Deacon reads each invocation:**

That our Holy Father, Francis, and our Bishop, Joseph, may be blessed and sustained in their apostolic ministry, and kept close to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Let us pray to the Lord.

**℟. Lord, hear our prayer.**

That our diocese, which was originally dedicated to the mystery of the Sorrowful Heart of Mary, may be richly blessed and its people be holy. Let us pray to the Lord.

**℟. Lord, hear our prayer.**

That our diocesan envisioning plan will bear much fruit by forming inviting and reconciling communities, making intentional disciples, and help us to fulfill our mission to proclaim Jesus Christ our Lord. Let us pray to the Lord.

**℟. Lord, hear our prayer.**

That refugees will find welcome and safety, and that the Church may respond to the Pope's call to find a 'path to peace through a culture of encounter'. Let us pray to the Lord.

**℟. Lord, hear our prayer.**

That our Immaculate Mother may intercede on our behalf before the Father for our own petitions, which we hold in the silence of our hearts. (*Moment of silence*) Let us pray to the Lord.

**℟. Lord, hear our prayer.**

Then the Bishop concludes, saying with hands extended:

O God, who chose the Mother of your Son to be our Mother also,  
grant us that, persevering in penance and prayer  
for the salvation of the world,  
we may further more effectively each day the reign of Christ.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### Procession and Act of Consecration

During the purification of the vessels, the Bishop is assisted in removing the chasuble, which he replaces with the cope. Then, he returns to the Cathedra until it is time to recite the Prayer after Communion, which he does in the normal manner.

Then, after the Prayer after Communion, the blessing is omitted, and the Deacon says:

As Mary went with joy to visit her cousin Elizabeth, bearing news of the mighty works of God, let us go forth in peace.

Immediately, the hymn is begun, and the procession forms to lead into the streets of downtown Jackson.

Upon returning, the procession comes before the Marian altar of the Cathedral. The bishop loads the thurible and, standing, incenses the statue.

The Bishop may give some instruction to inform the faithful of their part of the Act of Consecration, found on the diocese holy card.

Then the Deacon says:

Let us kneel.

Once all are kneeling, the Bishop begins the Act of Consecration, saying:

**O** GLORIOUS Virgin Mary,  
Mother of God, and Mother of the Church of Jackson,  
you who were chosen by the Father from all eternity,  
to offer the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus Christ,  
as the one pleasing sacrifice back to God;  
and, whom that same Son, at the moment of his agony  
entrusted the Church,  
that you will be our Mother for ever:  
listen to the prayers of your children, who cry to you,  
and intercede for us before your Son in heaven.

O Queen of Heaven and Earth,  
we consecrate ourselves to you,  
for you do not abandon any person who loves your Son, Jesus,  
but instead accompany the Christian people in true discipleship.

We pledge ourselves to you,  
O most beautiful Virgin,  
and entrust ourselves, and our diocese, to the powerful intercession  
of your Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart;  
for, you, O Dawn of Salvation,  
have never forsaken the prayer of faith,  
but constantly show to your Son the sorrows of your heart,  
that He may have favor towards all who turn to you.

Help us, Joyful Mother,  
through your example of living the Gospel,  
to faithfully proclaim Jesus Christ to be Savior of our hearts;  
and lead us, by your overflowing grace,  
to return, with you, to the throne of your Son;  
where, with you as our Queen and Mother,  
we shall for ever enjoy fellowship with Him and all the saints.

Therefore, assist us in our prayer to the Father,  
that we, as the Church of Jackson,  
may be renewed in our mission of evangelization,  
as we say together:

**Lord, help us to embrace, to serve, and to inspire.  
Help us to bring You to all people by the way we live our lives. Amen.**

After the Consecration, the Bishop gives the normal blessing and the Deacon gives the dismissal.

# CONSECRATION TO THE SORROWFUL AND IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY IN PARISHES THROUGHOUT THE DIOCESE

## Universal Prayer and Act of Consecration

Before the Universal Prayer, the Celebrant may address the faithful regarding their part of the Act of Consecration, found on the diocese holy card. This may also be done before Mass or during the homily.

The Celebrant, with hands joined, says:

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters), let us implore the Lord to hear our prayers through the intercession of his Blessed Mother, Mary.

Then the Deacon or another minister reads each invocation:

That our Holy Father, Francis, and our Bishop, Joseph, may be blessed and sustained in their apostolic ministry, and kept close to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Let us pray to the Lord.

**℟. Lord, hear our prayer.**

That our parish may be assisted by the prayers of Our Lady, so that all of us may enthrone in us the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Let us pray to the Lord.

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The Celebrant concludes the Universal Prayer, saying, with hands joined:

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you who were chosen by the Father from all eternity,  
to offer the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus Christ,  
as the one pleasing sacrifice back to God;  
and, whom that same Son, at the moment of his agony  
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that you will be our Mother for ever:  
listen to the prayers of your children, who cry to you,  
and intercede for us before your Son in heaven.

O Queen of Heaven and Earth,  
we consecrate ourselves to you,  
for you do not abandon any person who loves your Son, Jesus,  
but instead accompany the Christian people in true discipleship.

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and entrust ourselves, and our parish, to the powerful intercession  
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It is recommended to conclude the Mass with the Solemn Blessing Formula for the Blessed Virgin Mary.

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(In Spanish)

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The Celebrant, with hands joined, says:

Queridos hermanos y hermanas imploramos al Señor que escuche nuestras oraciones por la intercesión de su Madre Santísima, María.

Then the Deacon or another minister reads each invocation:

Que nuestro Santo Padre Francisco y nuestro Obispo José puedan ser bendecidos y sostenidos en su ministerio apostólico y mantenidos cerca del Inmaculado Corazón de María. Oremos al Señor.

Que nuestro plan visionario diocesano de mucho fruto al formar comunidades de invitación y reconciliación, haciendo discípulos intencionales y ayudándonos a cumplir nuestra misión de proclamar a Jesucristo nuestro Señor. Oremos al Señor.

Que nuestra parroquia pueda ser asistida por las oraciones de Nuestra Señora, para que todos podamos entonar en nosotros el Inmaculado Corazón de María. Oremos al Señor.

Que los refugiados encuentren acogida y seguridad, y que la Iglesia pueda responder a la llamada del Papa a encontrar un "camino hacia la paz a través de una cultura de encuentro". Oremos al Señor.

Que nuestra Madre Inmaculada pueda interceder en nuestro nombre ante el Padre por nuestras propias peticiones, que sostenemos en el silencio de nuestros corazones. (*Momento de silencio*) Oremos al Señor.

The Celebrant concludes the Universal Prayer, saying, with hands joined:

**O**H gloriosa Virgen María,  
Madre de Dios, y Madre de la Iglesia de Jackson,  
tú que fuiste elegida por el Padre desde toda la eternidad,  
para ofrecer el bendito fruto de tu vientre, Jesucristo,  
como el único y agradable sacrificio a Dios;  
y, a cuyo mismo Hijo, en el momento de su agonía  
confió a la Iglesia,  
que tu serás nuestra Madre para siempre:  
escucha las oraciones de tus hijos, que claman a ti,  
e intercede por nosotros delante de tu Hijo en el cielo.

Oh Reina del Cielo y de la Tierra,  
nos consagramos a ti,  
porque tu no abandonas a nadie que ama a tu Hijo, Jesús,  
sino que acompañas al pueblo cristiano en el verdadero discipulado.

Nos comprometemos a ti,  
oh hermosa Virgen,  
y nos encomendamos nosotros, nuestra parroquia,  
a la poderosa intercesión  
de Doloroso e Inmaculado Corazón;  
Para, que tu, estrella de la salvación,  
nunca has abandonado la oración de la fe,  
pero constantemente muestra a tu Hijo las penas de tu corazón,  
para que Él pueda tener compasión para con todos los que se vuelven hacia ti.

Ayúdanos, alegre Madre,  
a través de tu ejemplo de vivir el Evangelio,  
para proclamar fielmente a Jesucristo como Salvador de nuestros corazones;  
y guíanos, por tu abundante gracia,  
a volver, contigo, al trono de tu Hijo;  
donde, contigo como nuestra Reina y Madre,  
nosotros siempre gozaremos de la comunión con Él y todos los santos.

Por lo tanto, ayúdanos en nuestra oración al Padre,  
que nosotros, como la Iglesia de Jackson,  
podamos ser renovados en nuestra misión de evangelización,  
mientras decimos todos juntos:

**Señor, ayúdanos a abrazar, servir e inspirar.**

**Ayúdanos a llevarte a todas las personas  
por la forma en que vivimos nuestras vidas. Amén.**

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Que vive y reina por los siglos de los siglos. **Amen.**