



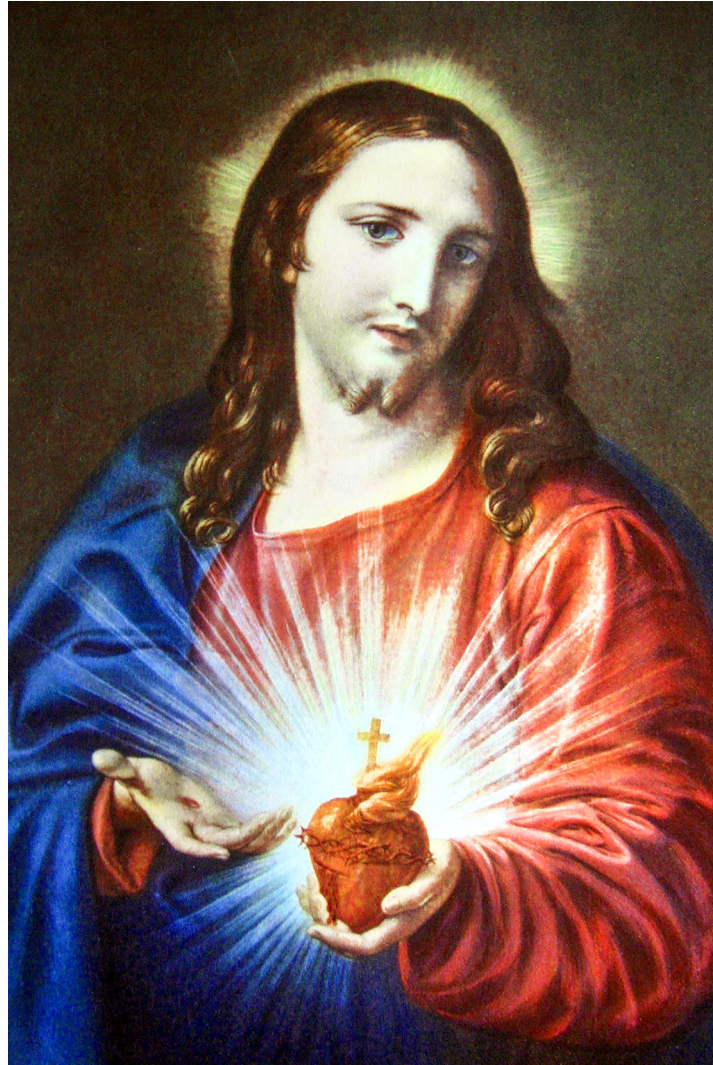
INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

ANNUM SACRUM

ENCYCLICAL OF POPE LEO XIII

MAY 25TH, 1899 - ON THE CONSECRATION TO THE SACRED HEART (EXCERPTS)

Already more than once We have endeavored, after the example of Our predecessors Innocent XII, Benedict XIII, Clement XIII, Pius VI, and Pius IX., devoutly to foster and bring out into fuller light that most excellent form of devotion which has for its object the veneration of the Sacred Heart of Jesus; this We did especially by the Decree given on June 28, 1889, by which We raised the Feast under that name to the dignity of the first class. But now We have in mind a more signal form of devotion which shall be in a manner the crowning perfection of all the honors that people have been accustomed to pay to the Sacred Heart, and which We confidently trust will be most pleasing to Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. ...



Sacred Heart of Jesus, by Pompeo Batoni, 1767, Rome, Church of the Gesù.

This world-wide and solemn testimony of allegiance and piety is especially appropriate to Jesus Christ, who is the Head and Supreme Lord of the race. His empire extends not only over Catholic nations and those who, having been duly washed in the waters of holy baptism, belong of right to the Church, although erroneous opinions keep them astray, or dissent from her teaching cuts them off from her care; it comprises also all those who are deprived of the Christian faith, so that the whole human race is most truly under the power of Jesus Christ. For He who is the Only-begotten Son of God the Father, having the

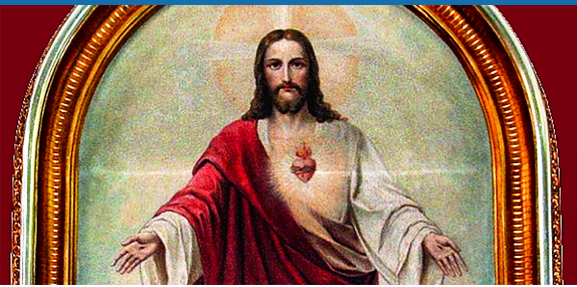
same substance with Him and being the brightness of His glory and the figure of His substance (Hebrews i., 3) necessarily has everything in common with the Father, and therefore sovereign power over all things. ...

But we should now give most special consideration to the declarations made by Jesus Christ, not through the Apostles or the Prophets but by His own words. To the Roman Governor who asked Him, "Art thou a king then?" He answered unhesitatingly, "*Thou sayest that I am a king*" (John xviii. 37). And the greatness of this power and the boundlessness of His kingdom is still more clearly declared in these words to the Apostles: "*All power is given to me in heaven and on earth*" (Matthew xxviii., 18).

If then all power has been given to Christ it follows of necessity that His empire must be supreme, absolute and independent of the will of any other, so that none is either equal or like unto it: and since it has been given in heaven and on earth it ought to have heaven and earth obedient to it. And verily he has acted on this extraordinary and peculiar right when He commanded His Apostles to preach His doctrine over the earth, to gather all men together into the one body of the Church by the baptism of salvation, and to bind them by laws, which no one could reject without risking his eternal salvation.



Pope Leo XIII



ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE SACRED HEART

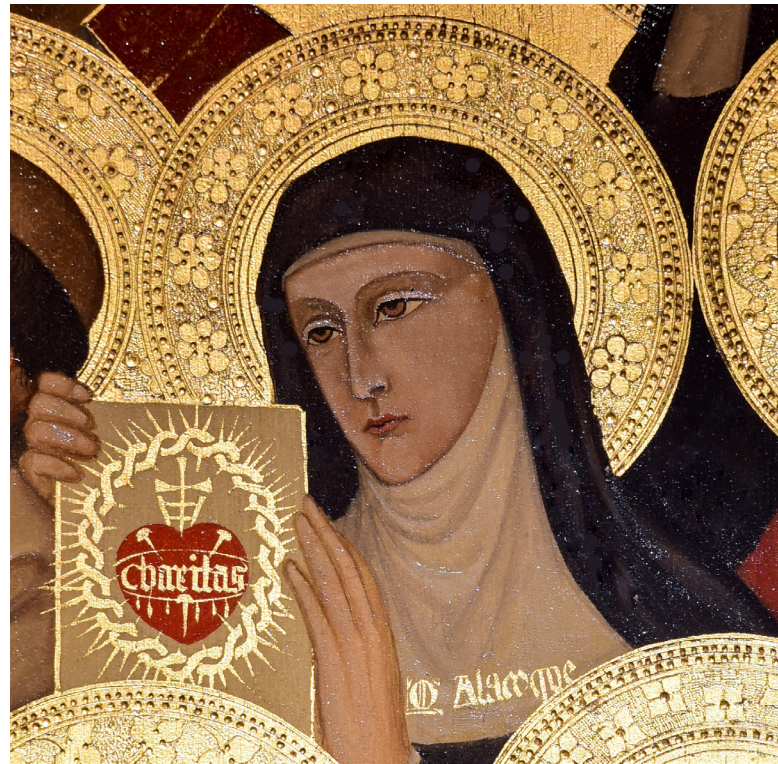
ST. MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE

But this is not all. Christ reigns not only by natural right as the Son of God, but also by a right that He has acquired. For He it was who snatched us *“from the power of darkness”* (Colossians i., 13), and “gave Himself for the redemption of all” (I Timothy ii., 6). Therefore not only Catholics, and those who have duly received Christian baptism, but also all men, individually and collectively, have become to Him *“a purchased people”* (I Peter ii., 9). St. Augustine’s words are therefore to the point when he says: *“You ask what price He paid? See what He gave and you will understand how much He paid. The price was the blood of Christ. What could cost so much but the whole world, and all its people? The great price He paid was paid for all”* (T. 120 on St. John).

How it comes about that infidels themselves are subject to the power and dominion of Jesus Christ is clearly shown by St. Thomas, who gives us the reason and its explanation. For having put the question whether His judicial power extends to all men, and having stated that judicial authority flows naturally from royal authority, he concludes decisively as follows: *“All things are subject to Christ as far as His power is concerned, although they are not all subject to Him in the exercise of that power”* (3a., p., q. 59, a. 4). This sovereign power of Christ over men is exercised by truth, justice, and above all, by charity.

To this twofold ground of His power and domination He graciously allows us, if we think fit, to add voluntary consecration. Jesus Christ, our God and our Redeemer, is rich in the fullest and perfect possession of all things: we, on the other hand, are so poor and needy that we have nothing of our own to offer Him as a gift. But yet, in His infinite goodness and love, He in no way objects to our giving and consecrating to Him what is already His, as if it were really our own; nay, far from refusing such an offering, He positively desires it and asks for it: *“My son, give me thy heart.”*

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, to Thee I consecrate and offer up my person and my life, my actions, trials, and sufferings, that my entire being may henceforth only be employed in loving, honoring and glorifying Thee. This is my irrevocable will, to belong entirely to Thee, and to do all for Thy love, renouncing with my whole heart all that can displease Thee.



Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, detail from reposed panel in the Sacred Heart Chapel at Shrewsbury Cathedral, by Joseph Aloysius Pippet

I take Thee, O Sacred Heart, for the sole object of my love, the protection of my life, the pledge of my salvation, the remedy of my frailty and inconstancy, the reparation for all the defects of my life, and my secure refuge at the hour of my death. Be Thou, O Most Merciful Heart, my justification before God Thy Father, and screen me from His anger which I have so justly merited. I fear all from my own weakness and malice, but placing my entire confidence in Thee, O Heart of Love, I hope all from Thine infinite Goodness. Annihilate in me all that can displease or resist Thee. Imprint Thy pure love so deeply in my heart that I may never forget Thee or be separated from Thee. I beseech Thee, through Thine infinite Goodness, grant that my name be engraved upon Thy Heart, for in this I place all my happiness and all my glory, to live and to die as one of Thy devoted servants. Amen.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Notice

Week of Monday, June 14th to Friday, June 18th

During the week of Monday, June 14th to Friday, June 18th scaffolding will be erected in the Cathedral. Masses in the Extraordinary Form (Adoration/Benediction included) **will be transferred to St. Winefride's church according to the usual schedule:**



Monday: 10:00am Holy Mass

Tuesday: 6:30pm Holy Mass;
(5:30-6:15pm Adoration/Benediction)

Wednesday: 10:00am Holy Mass

Thursday: 6:30pm Holy Mass;
(5:30-6:15pm Adoration/Benediction)

Friday: 10:00am Holy Mass

Masses for Your Intentions

You are invited to request Masses to be celebrated for your and your family's intentions. Mass stipends support the apostolate here in Shrewsbury. Please contact Canon Wiener with your requests.

SHREWSBURY WEEKLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	MASS OF THE DAY	INTENTIONS	
				CANON WIENER	FATHER GRIBBIN
Sun*	6 th June	12:30 pm	External Solemnity of the Feast of Corpus Christi	Tom and Brenda Gittins R.I.P.	PI
Mon	7 th June	10:00 am	Votive Mass of Our Lady Mediatrix of All Graces	Thanksgiving	PI
Tue	8 th June	6:30 pm	Votive Mass of the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus	Thanksgiving	PI
Wed	9 th June	10:00 am	Commemoration of SS. Primus and Felician	Thanksgiving	PI
Thu	10 th June	6:30 pm	St. Margaret Widow & Queen of Scotland	In memory of a beloved deceased	PI
Fri	11 th June	10:00 am	Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus	Sister Adorers of the Royal Heart of Jesus	PI
Sat	12 th June	10:00 am	St. John of St. Facundo Confessor	PI	PI
Sun*	13 th June	12:30 pm	Third Sunday after Pentecost	The Superiors of the Institute of Christ the King	PI

*Sunday Masses at 12:30 PM at St. Winefride's Church, 187 Crowmere Road, Monkmoor, Shrewsbury, SY2 5RA

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