The Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Lord, have mercy Christ, have mercy Lord, have mercy

Christ, hear us Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of Heaven,

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, God, the Holy Spirit, Holy Trinity, One God, Heart of Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father, Heart of Jesus, formed by the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mother, Heart of Jesus, substantially united to the Word of God. Heart of Jesus, of Infinite Majesty, Heart of Jesus, Sacred Temple of God, Heart of Jesus, Tabernacle of the Most High, Heart of Jesus, House of God and Gate of Heaven, Heart of Jesus, burning furnace of charity, Heart of Jesus, abode of justice and love, Heart of Jesus, full of goodness and love, Heart of Jesus, abyss of all virtues, Heart of Jesus, most worthy of all praise, Heart of Jesus, king and centre of all hearts, Heart of Jesus, in whom are all treasures of wisdom and knowledge, Heart of Jesus, in whom dwells the fullness of divinity, Heart of Jesus, in whom the Father was well pleased, Heart of Jesus, of whose fullness we have all received, Heart of Jesus, desire of the everlasting hills, Heart of Jesus, patient and most merciful, Heart of Jesus, enriching all who invoke Thee, Heart of Jesus, fountain of life and holiness,

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

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Heart of Jesus, propitiation for our sins,	have mercy on us.
Heart of Jesus, loaded down with opprobrium,	have mercy on us.
Heart of Jesus, bruised for our offenses,	have mercy on us.
Heart of Jesus, obedient to death,	have mercy on us.
Heart of Jesus, pierced with a lance,	have mercy on us.
Heart of Jesus, source of all consolation,	have mercy on us.
Heart of Jesus, our life and resurrection,	have mercy on us.
Heart of Jesus, our peace and our reconciliation,	have mercy on us.
Heart of Jesus, victim for our sins	have mercy on us.
Heart of Jesus, salvation of those who	
trust in Thee,	have mercy on us.
Heart of Jesus, hope of those who die in Thee,	have mercy on us.
Heart of Jesus, delight of all the Saints,	have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world, *spare us, O Lord.* Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world, *graciously hear us, O Lord.* Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world, *have mercy on us, O Lord.*

V. Jesus, meek and humble of heart. R. Make our hearts like to Thine.

Let us pray:

Almighty and eternal God, look upon the Heart of Thy most beloved Son and upon the praises and satisfaction which He offers Thee in the name of sinners; and to those who implore Thy mercy, in Thy great goodness, grant forgiveness in the name of the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who livest and reignest with Thee forever and ever. Amen.

In 1899 Pope Leo XIII approved this Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for public use. This litany is actually a synthesis of several other litanies dating back to the 17th century.

Father Croiset composed a litany in 1691 from which 17 invocations were used by Venerable Anne Madeleine Remuzat when she composed her litany in 1718 at Marseille. She joined an additional 10 invocations to those of Father Croiset, for a total of 27 invocations. Six more invocations written by Sister Madeleine Joly of Dijon in 1686 were added by the Sacred Congregation for Rites when it was approved for public use in 1899. This makes a total of 33 invocations, one for each year of life of our Lord Jesus Christ. A partial indulgence is attached to this litany.