

# Missionaries of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary

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Dear Friend of the Sacred Hearts,

As I walked through the hallway leading to our chapel today, I noticed that one of the Prayer Petition lists was filled with names. Those who join us for prayer and daily Mass usually stop and place a name on it before they enter our Chapel... the lists fill up quickly.

I entered the Chapel and placed the list in our **Prayer Remembrance Box**, which sits close to the altar. As I looked at the list, I must say, I didn't recognize any of the names on it, but immediately I asked in prayer for God to be with them.

Those who come to our chapel for daily Mass know what is in the simple wooden box they see every day. They, like me, know that each person on the lists within the box has a story, a need, or is suffering and hoping for someone to pray for them and with them.

Almost every day, another list gets filled in and placed in our Chapel. This special box also holds the many petitions we receive through the mail for our special devotions throughout the year and the prayer requests that come to us via email or phone call.

**The box is never empty...so many are in need of the comfort prayer can bring.** Those who give a moment or two to offer a prayer for someone they may never know are living out God's commandment to "love one another as I have loved you."

When we began our **Family of the Sacred Hearts Prayer Union** over 25 years ago, it was because we knew the power of united prayer is unlimited in what it can bring about in people's lives.

As members, we offer a prayer for all the other members of this prayer family devoted to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. We also know that, as we pray, others are praying for us.



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## Missionaries of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary

**Dear Father John,** I want to be a member of the Family of the Sacred Hearts Prayer Union. Please include my special intentions in your daily prayers and in the special Masses on Mother's and Father's Day. I have listed my mother's and father's names for remembrance on the back of this form. Enclosed is my membership gift in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

No acknowledgment of my gift is necessary.



Please return this donation form with your contribution made payable to:

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Your gift is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

To give by credit card please provide information on reverse side.

**I invite you to renew your membership or perhaps to join for the first time. Your new 2018-2019 membership card is enclosed.**

When you place your new card in your wallet or purse, please also take a moment to write your special prayer petitions on the enclosed form and return it to me so I can place it in the Prayer Remembrance Box in our Chapel.

Please know that all the petitions are also remembered in the daily community prayer of our Missionaries. Our priests and brothers around the world know, without your prayers and support, we would not be moving ahead to serve the needs of the faithful.

The wonderful growth of our Congregation and our increasing number of vocations to the priesthood and religious life are the fruit of prayer, without a doubt. This growth has allowed our Missionaries to assume the care of more faith communities in areas where access to the Sacraments, religious education and family support have been lacking.

Your membership offering not only supports the training and education of our seminarians but also helps our Missionaries work with those they serve, understanding and aiding them in their daily struggle to care for their families.

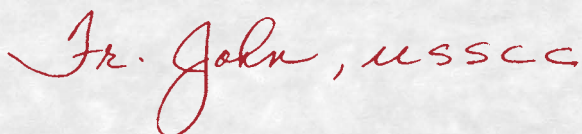
**I pray that, in choosing an offering to enclose with your prayer petitions and Mass intentions, you will be as generous as you are able. We are deeply grateful for each and every gift.**

In grateful thanksgiving for all the members of the Family of the Sacred Hearts, we will offer three Masses in honor of our Blessed Mother for all mothers on May 11, 12 and 13, Mother's Day. In addition, three Masses for all fathers on Father's Day, June 17, 18, and 19 will be celebrated for your intentions.

Be sure to include the names of your father and mother, whether living or deceased, on the back of the prayer petition form so I can be sure to include them for remembrance in these special Masses.

In the Daily Offering prayer printed on the membership card, we pray, "**Let me listen with my heart as You do and readily give my help to all in need.**" Though we may never meet the other members of the Family of the Sacred Hearts in person, we can "readily give help to all in need" through our prayers for one another. Dear friend, I shall be praying for you and placing you in the loving care of the merciful Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

Sincerely in the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary,



Father John, M.S.S.C.C.

P.S. Please remember to include the names of your parents for remembrance in the Masses for Mother's Day and Father's Day. I will remember your own special intentions in my Masses and community prayers.

Please include my intentions in your daily prayers and also remember my mother and father in the Masses on Mother's and Father's Day.

*My Special Intentions:* \_\_\_\_\_

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*Father's Name:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Mother's Name:* \_\_\_\_\_



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