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Dear Friend,

There was a time when in every Catholic home you could find an image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Perhaps there was one in the home of your parents or grandparents . . . or even now in your own home.

When I was a child, a beautiful painting of the Sacred Heart hung in my parents' bedroom. Jesus, with gentle, loving eyes, pointing to His heart, pierced and crowned with thorns, inviting me to enter into His Heart. Whenever I looked at that painting, I felt embraced, loved, protected . . . drawn into His joy and peace.

Our parents and grandparents certainly had great devotion to the Sacred Heart. Every First Friday entire families would consecrate themselves anew to His love and mercy. They reminded us of the 12 Promises of Jesus to those who honor and love Him. They never missed the practice of the Nine First Fridays, and, of course, participation in the processions and prayers at the annual celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus was always a must.



YOU make it possible for Sister Mary Kathleen to share her love for the Sacred Heart of Jesus with the children she teaches.



YOU help us care for Sister Mary De Paul and all our elder Sisters. Thank you for your generosity!

Sadly, for many Catholics these are just memories. **Not so for the Sisters of Charity.** There isn't a convent in our entire Congregation without a painting or statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. That's because ***"we have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us."***

(1 John 4:16). We have come to know Jesus who invites us to immerse ourselves in the great depths of His Most Sacred Heart, that Heart full of love poured out so generously for each of us. We have fallen in love with Him and this love impels us to share it with others.

Friend, we Sisters of Charity are privileged to be allowed into the lives of countless souls who rely on our prayers. For us, prayer is a privilege that fills our lives with joy. **Can we offer prayers for you?** For your family or friends? We will bring you and your loved ones to the Altar each morning, entrust you to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, and ask God to bless you in profound and wondrous ways.

And, if you can assist us in our need with an offering of \$10, \$25, \$50 or whatever your means allow, we would be deeply grateful. Through your goodness, you are with us as we bring this great love of the Sacred Heart to those we serve.

YOU are with us, nurturing young minds and hearts in our schools, forming children not only in knowledge but also in faith and values. YOU are with us, caring for the elderly, ensuring they experience dignity, comfort, and the warmth of Christ's love. YOU are with us, sheltering homeless mothers and children, offering them safety, hope, and the chance to rebuild their lives. YOU are with us, sustaining families in need through our Food Pantry, sharing with them both sustenance and the love of the Sacred Heart.

In our ministries we have learned that often hope is all some people have left. Your financial gift supports us to keep that hope alive in their hearts; it gives them the courage to face tomorrow. **Can we count on you to assist them?** And we count on your prayers for us and for those we serve. Please know that we pray for you. **On June 27th, when we celebrate the great Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we will be praying for you.**

My Sisters and I want to share with you this profoundly important devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus through our gift to you of the inspiring **MY TREASURED SACRED HEART PRAYERS** book. May these prayers sustain you in times of loneliness or illness, joy or celebration. It is our hope that your love for Jesus will be deepened or rekindled, as you speak to Him in these prayers, from your heart to His.

When you pray with this book, know that it comes to you with love from the Sisters of Charity, and with a prayer that you too will fall more deeply in love with this great Fountain of love and mercy. This beautiful prayer book has now been personalized to feature YOUR NAME on the front cover, highlighting your personal devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

We hope you will find your **MY TREASURED SACRED HEART PRAYERS** book spiritually beneficial. Keep it even if you can't send us a donation at this time.



Gratefully, in the love of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,

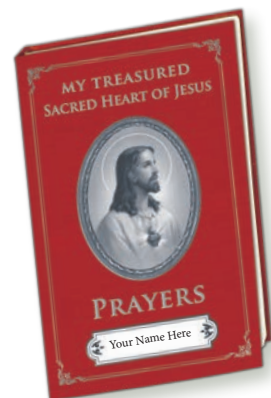
Mother Mary David, SCMC

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Superior General



With (l. to r.) Sisters Gabriela, Joan Marie, Marie Celeste and our student, Clara, YOU are providing sustenance and hope to the families who visit our food pantry.

P.S. **In sincere appreciation for your kindness, the Sisters offer you the enclosed **MY TREASURED SACRED HEART PRAYERS** book, with your name personalized on the front cover.** We also offer you the gift of our prayers. Send us your special intentions on the enclosed card by June 20th so we can place them on the Altar and pray for them at our celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart on Friday, June 27th. And please know that the Sisters and I would be deeply grateful for your offering in any amount.



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