## **NOVENA TO CHRIST KING**

before the liturgical feast of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe and the solemn acts of Enthronement

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## O Christ, reign over us

Dear Priests, the Shepherds of Christ's Church: since 1925 the Church has worshipped Jesus Christ as the King of the Universe in her liturgy. This worship has found an expression in rituals carried out in parishes, families and in private.

In the writings of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna we find the following passage: "Poland will not perish if she proclaims Christ as her King in the full sense of the word. If she subjects herself to the Divine Law, the Law of Divine Love". And elsewhere we read: "A terrible disaster will befall the world . . . Only these nations will not perish . . . that acknowledge Him their King and Lord . . . Poland can be saved if she accepts me as her King and Lord through Enthronement. The states and nations that fail to accomplish the Enthronement and subject themselves to the rule of His sweet Love will disappear from the face of the earth, never to appear again".

However, in order to accomplish the Enthronement at the highest level, we have to start at the bottom, in parishes. A prerequisite for the validity of the Enthronement is the participation therein of both the lay representatives from various circles and the clergy. The examples of already accomplished acts of Enthronement in parishes or even dioceses are numerous. Eventually the Enthronement should be completed by the Nation and the Church through their representatives. The Enthronement, as properly conceived of, should not be limited to certain religious observances carried out within a parish, a family or privately, but should also possess a societal and national dimension. Of course, not only the legal formalities are at stake here. The Pope Pius XII writes in his Encyclical *Quas Primas*: "You will receive the Divine Blessing only if Lord Jesus reigns over you and your nations".

In this book, Venerable Brethren, you will find proposals helping you with preparing the prayers for this festivity and guidelines on how to carry out the ritual of Enthronement in your parishes. The proposed service consists of hymns, prayers and passages from the writings of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna. Other texts have also been included, which are linked to the tradition of worshipping Christ the King in Poland. We would also like to draw your attention to the previously published book *The Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna. Her Life and Mission*, which offers a focus on her life and work as well as a summary of the theological principles expressed in the act of the Enthronement of Christ the King. We are making an appeal to the sensitivity of your conscience and your sense of responsibility for the Church and the world.

Father Ryszard Kubasiak
The Diocese Chaplain
of Communities for the Enthronement of Christ the King

## Homily by Adam Stefan Cardinal Sapieha

delivered at the Feast of Christ the King (published in *Dzwon Niedzielny* in 1934)

During his earthly life, Christ Our Lord shunned the enthusiastic crowd who wanted to crown Him King. Yet the irresistible majesty that His person radiated imposed itself on people, since even Pilate, seeing Christ at the time of His deepest humiliation, asked Him if he was a king. At the same time the witnessing Jews, sensing the same majesty, had to resort to denying their most heart-felt patriotic sentiments and shouted, humiliating themselves even before the hostile Roman governor, "We have no king but the Emperor!".

The human kind, which has been contemplating the Person of Christ Our Lord for nineteen centuries, arrived at an ever-deepening understanding of the essence of Christ's Kingdom, which is not of this world, but **for this world**, and started to show Christ Our Lord a most profound reverence and submission, using the title Christ the King.

The expression and title 'Christ the King' makes us aware of this great and fundamental principle of our sacred Faith, according to which Christ Our Lord is the God, the Creator, the Redeemer of all human kind, and therefore the name leads us to understanding our duties towards Christ Our Lord. These days, the human kind, maybe more than ever before, needs to face this truth and become fully aware of Christ's supreme rule and Lordship.

In all aspects of modern life we can observe uncertainty, anxiety about the future and the undermining of all human authority, because people, having spurned the Divine authority, will not respect human authority either. Externally, the peace is preserved by force and with utmost difficulty. What the human kind needs is a single unchangeable point of reference and source of authority. Of all people it is us, Catholics, who are obliged to show this point of reference to the rest of the human kind, leading them to these unfathomable treasures of grace and happiness that we find through Christ the King in God and his Church. It is us who should raise the standard of Christ the King, raise it so high that all human kind has to look at it and realize their duties towards Christ the King!

While serving Christ the King, let us never forget that we must not serve two masters; that whoever is not on the same side with Christ, is against Him; that we must not enter into any compromise with evil. Let us remember how Satan tempted Christ by offering him the rule of the earth and all the world's kingdoms with their glamour, saying: "I shall give to you all this power and their glory". But to this offer he added a proposal of compromise, a deal: "All this will be yours, if you worship me" (Luke 4). How many people act in the same way: they will worship God in church on Sunday, but apart from that they will live as if no Divine Law existed. They will call Christ the King, but at the same time will make efforts to keep Him closed inside the church walls and reduce His importance to religious celebrations. What is still worse, we can observe efforts to combine the worship of Jesus with serving idols that people devise for themselves, and to turn the true Christ's religion into a vehicle for realizing other objectives, completely irrelevant or even hostile towards Christ Our Lord. Satan was severely repulsed by the Redeemer, because Christ's rule is absolutely supreme and bears no compromise that would reduce it or subject it to anything. The same Jesus who showed so much understanding and mercy towards sinners was very strict in his condemnation of insincerity and hypocrisy!

Ours are the times of intellectual chaos and confused outlooks, but how often do we witness violent imposing of views on others and forcing them to accept the imposed opinions as their own! We Catholics are reproached with, as they put it, blind faith in truths revealed by God, and yet our accusers demand for their human and often erroneous views a blind trust and submission enforced by outrage, violence and terror. Our awareness of being servants to Christ the King should instill in us the courage not to be intimidated, dissuaded from our beliefs, stopped in our work or influenced in the way we act. As Christ Our Lord said, "The Kingdom of Heaven suffers violence", and therefore we should be ready to firmly refute the misguided designs of our enemies.

If Christ Our Lord is the King, and we His servants and subjects, then as servants we must not

remain idle, but instead we must work and struggle to defend His laws and authority, we must deepen in ourselves and extend around us the celestial Kingdom that is the only path leading to the happiness of individuals, families and nations.

During the Feast of Christ the King many ideas will certainly come to our minds. Let us ponder them; let us gather courage and zeal in the service of Him, whom we call our Lord and King. Let us show Him our reverence, which only He deserves as God! Let us show Him our gratitude for the graces of Redemption and bestowing on us the honour of becoming His Subjects in His Kingdom, the Holy Church. And, unified in His Spirit, let us respond to the godless outcry, "We don't want Him to reign" with not only mere words, but with a Catholic life and deeds, let us continue calling, "O, Christ, reign over us!".

Prince Adam Stefan Sapieha, Archbishop of Cracow

## **Friday**

## Day One With God the Father

- Hymn to accompany the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

### **Antiphon to the Holy Spirit**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

#### **Luke 11:2**

He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come".

Jesus of Nazareth, Son of Man, born of the Holy Virgin, came to reveal the fatherhood of God to mankind. He came to reveal the fatherhood that only he himself knows as the Son who is of one substance with the Father. So he came to lead mankind into the eternal and Divine dimension of all fatherhood and parenthood in the world created by God. Also, of all order and harmony, for which the family dimension is essential.

Does to reveal mean only to remind? More than that, to reveal means to restore. Christ came to restore the Divine fatherhood to mankind, this great human family. Only He could accomplish the restoration in a complete way. In order to restore the Divine fatherhood to people, Christ had to bring back the people to God as Father. This was his vital mission.

(John Paul II, Homily delivered during the Mass at Masłów Aero Club in Kielce, 3 June 1991)

#### A moment of silence

#### Introduction to prayer (from the writings of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna)

"Our inner life is a life of complete truth and simplicity, a life of our celestial Father's children. A little child does not know falsehood, lie or duplicity, because it is simple and lives in truth. I have often observed children and their truth and simplicity delighted me. As I felt an irresistible urge to remain a child forever, this truth and simplicity have enlightened my soul."

(Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna, *Confessions*, p. 210)

#### **Prayer**

God, Father of mankind, we thank Thee for making us Thy adopted children in Christ and letting us know about this great honour. Thou hast revealed that being a child of God means essentially acting with truth and simplicity, without a touch of duplicity and egoism. Jesus Christ, our King and Lord, let all people know the kindness of God, Father of all creation, and His care of those who fear Him. Christ, through the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna, who considered herself a child embraced by the celestial Father, let us worship and praise His name so that we may be brought to the glory of eternal life, where Thou livest and reignest world without end. **Amen.** 

#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

#### Litany to Jesus Christ King of the Universe

(for private recitation)

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of Heaven, Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit, Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God, Have mercy on us.

Christ, the King, God of God, Light of Light

#### Thy Kingdom come

Christ, the King, the image of the invisible God,

Christ, the King, by whom the world was created,

Christ, the King, begotten of the Virgin,

Christ, the King, worshipped by the shepherds and the Magi,

Christ, the King, the highest Lawmaker,

Christ, the King, the Source and model of all sainthood,

Christ, the King, our Path, our Truth and Life,

Christ, the King, to whom all authority is given on earth and in heaven,

#### Reign over souls

Christ, the King, the Everlasting Priest,

Christ, the King of reason,

Christ, the King of will,

Christ, the King of suffering, crowned with thorns,

Christ, the King of Humility, mocked in a purple dress,

Christ, the King, the Bridegroom of Virgins,

Christ, the King, who in Mary of Magdala honoured the life of penitence,

Christ, the King, whose Kingdom is not of this world,

Christ, the King, who givest us the holy Eucharist, a royal Gift of Thy Love,

Christ, the King, the Masterpiece of the Father's omnipotence and the wisdom of the Holy Spirit,

#### Reign over families

Christ, the King, who hast raised marriage to the dignity of the Sacrament,

Christ, the King, whose first miracle was at the wedding in Cana of Galilee,

Christ, the King, the kindest Friend of children,

Christ, the King, who hast set the example to parents and children by Thy quiet living in Nazareth,

Christ, the King, who hast ennobled and sanctified labour by working with Thy hands,

Christ, the King, who hast raised the youth from Naim, Jair's daughter and Thy friend Lazarus from the dead and returned them to their families,

Christ, the King, who hast forgiven the sinful woman,

Christ, the King, through Thy love for Mary and Joseph,

Christ, the King of kings and the Lord of lords,

## Reign over nations

Christ, the immortal King of all ages,

Christ, the King of eternal glory,

Christ, the King, Prince of Peace,

Christ, the King, who bearest a mark of lordship upon Thy shoulders,

Christ, the King, whose Kingdom is without an end,

Christ, the King, who reignest over the Cherubim,

Christ, the King, who hast always blessed with Thy love the nations that are faithful to Thee,

#### Reign over Thy enemies

Christ, the King, who "has thrown down the rulers from their thrones but lifted up the lowly",

Christ, the King, who shatterest the kings on the day of Thy wrath,

Christ, the King, who hast conquered hell by dying on the Cross,

Christ, the King, who hast conquered death with Thy Resurrection,

Christ, the King, on the day of Thy triumph, in the Glory of Thy Saints,

Christ, the King, through Thy charitable prayer on the Cross, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do",

- His Power will never end,
- and His peace will last forever.

**Let Us Pray:** Almighty, everlasting God, Who in Thy beloved Son, King of the whole world, hast willed to restore all things anew, grant in Thy mercy that all the families of nations, rent asunder by the wound of sin, may be subjected to His most gentle rule, Who with Thee liveth and reigneth in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. **Amen.** 

## - **Hymn** [pominiete]

## Rosary meditation on the intention for the Enthronement - Third Sorrowful Mystery: The Crowning With Thorns

#### Prayer in petition for the beatification of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna

The Almighty, everlasting God, the source of all sainthood, we beseech Thy grace of the beatification of Thy Servant, so that we may follow her example and, fortified by the light and power of the Holy Spirit, may become mature Catholics and faithfully follow the path of the Cross leading to Resurrection, in unity with Our Lord, Jesus Christ. May we obtain from Thee the spirit of sacrificial love, with which Thou hast blessed Thy Servant Rozalia Celakówna.

God full of kindness and mercy, we beseech Thee to enkindle in our hearts the fire of apostolic zeal to preach devotion to Christ the King and the work of His Enthronement in the Polish Nation, in accordance with the example set by Thy Servant Rozalia, who has devoted her life to this mission with great courage and sacrifice. We beseech Thee through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. **Amen.** 

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . . Glory be . . .

## Prayer to Jesus Christ King of the Universe by Adam Stefan Cardinal Sapieha (1927)

O Jesus, Lord of our hearts and immortal King of centuries, we hereby solemnly swear to Thee to stand faithfully by Thy throne and by Thee. We swear never to blemish Thy standard with unbelief, sectarianism or any other apostasy. We vow to Thee to persevere in the holy Catholic faith until we die.

May our posterity engrave it on our tombstones that we were never embarrassed because of our faith in Thee, Jesus the King, and Thy Gospel. May Thou reign in our hearts through grace. May Thou reign in our families through family virtues. May Thou reign in our schools through genuine Catholic upbringing.

May Thou reign in our society through justice and concord. May Thou reign everywhere, always and forever. May Thy standard be a guide for us all, may Thy Kingdom extend to every corner of the earth! **Amen.** 

#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

**Let us pray.** Almighty God, the powerful King of all creation, we humbly beseech Thee to send the hosts of angels for our protection so that we may serve Thee with devotion, with no hindrance and in peace. We beseech Thee through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. **Amen.** 

## **Saturday**

# Day Two Through Jesus Christ and in Him

- Hymn to accompany the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

### **Antiphon to the Holy Spirit**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

#### Hebrew 1:1-2a

In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he spoke to us through a son . . .

Jesus is frequently ignored and ridiculed, is announced to have been a king of the past and not to be the king of the present, let alone of tomorrow, is pushed into the junk room of issues and personages that should not be mentioned aloud and publicly.'

(Benedict XVI, address during the encounter with young people at Błonia Field in Cracow, 27 May 2006)

#### A moment of silence

#### Introduction to prayer (from the writings of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna)

"Then suddenly a longing arose in my soul, a frantic longing to make the greatest possible efforts to love Lord Jesus, to become like Him, not in order to achieve eternal happiness, but only to show Him my love and to please His Divine Heart." (Confessions, p. 33). "O, Jesus, Our Lord, I desire nothing but to seek Thee in everything. But Thou knowest that I desire and seek nothing but Thee, because Thou art everything to me! I am now completely deprived of everything. I have no desires, no aims, no intentions of my own – I want only what Lord Jesus wants." (Confessions, p. 167)

#### **Prayer**

God, the Father of all mercy and solace, the kindest Lord and King! Thou hast sent Thy only Son to make the world believe that Thou art its only love, happiness and meaning of existence. Thou hast revealed to Rozalia Celakówna that our Lord is not only the Redeemer, but that He also loveth every soul, and hath shed His Blood for everyone. Jesus, the King of human souls, may the intercession of Rozalia Celakówna contribute to the growth of love in all souls, both those that know Thee and those who have not known Thee so far. Our Lord, may Rozalia Celakówna's longing for Thy Heart to be loved and cherished extend as quickly as possible since only "Thou art worthy of all love, respect, glory and integrity". May Thy Kingdom arrive sooner in the souls of those who are paying this homage to Thee today; in our families, parishes and the entire Nation. Thou who livest and reignest world without end. **Amen.** 

#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

Litany to Jesus Christ King of the Universe See Day One (Friday)

#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

## Rosary meditation on the intention for the Enthronement - Fourth Joyful Mystery: The Presentation of Our Lord

#### Prayer in petition for the beatification of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna

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## **Sunday**

# Day Three Fortified by the Holy Spirit

- Hymn to accompany the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

### **Antiphon to the Holy Spirit**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

#### **Romans 8:26**

In the same way, the Spirit too comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit itself intercedes with inexpressible groanings.

The breath of the divine life, the Holy Spirit, in its simplest and most common manner, expresses itself and makes itself felt in prayer. It is a beautiful and salutary thought that, wherever people are praying in the world, there the Holy Spirit is, the living breath of prayer. It is a beautiful and salutary thought to recognize that, if prayer is offered throughout the world, in the past, in the present and in the future, equally widespread is the presence and action of the Holy Spirit, who "breathes" prayer in the heart of man in all the endless range of the most varied situations and conditions, sometimes favorable and sometimes unfavorable to the spiritual and religious life. Many times, through the influence of the Spirit, prayer rises from the human heart in spite of prohibitions and persecutions and even official proclamations regarding the non-religious or even atheistic character of public life.

(John Paul II, The Encyclical Dominum et vivificantem, 65)

#### A moment of silence

#### Introduction to prayer (from the writings of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna)

"The Holiest Ghost, the Fire of Love, poured down His gifts and graces on the humble soul. My soul, permeated with this Fire, felt more than heavenly bliss. O, Great God, which creature could describe Thy gifts bestowed on those who want to find you and unite with Thee forever! . . . The silent whiff of grace affected my soul like a sudden gust of wind when Thou, God of Love, hast entered the souls of the Virgin Mary and the Apostles praying in the Cenacle, and in the same way Thou hast transformed my humblest soul."

(Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna, *Responses*, p. 51)

#### **Prayer**

O God, the source of life and the giver of all graces! Thou who reneweth and sanctifieth everything through the power of the Holy Spirit. Lord, be mindful of Thy Church, wishing to renew ceaselessly through His Power. Make our hearts open to His mysterious working. Jesus Christ, who hast opened for us the path to Heaven through the mystery of Redemption, be mindful of all who wish to renew the face of the earth through contribution and sacrifice, following the example of Thy Servant Rozalia. Lord, send forth Thy Spirit, to turn all our intentions, longings and decisions towards the service of God and the glory of Thy Kingdom. **Amen.** 

#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

## Litany to Jesus Christ King of the Universe

See Day One (Friday)

## - **Hymn** [pominiete]

## Rosary meditation on the intention for the Enthronement - The Third Glorious Mystery: The Descent of the Holy Spirit

#### Prayer in petition for the beatification of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna

The Almighty, everlasting God, the source of all sainthood, we beseech Thy grace of the beatification of Thy Servant, so that we may follow her example and, fortified by the light and power of the Holy Spirit, may become mature Catholics and faithfully follow the path of the Cross leading to Resurrection, in unity with Our Lord, Jesus Christ. May we obtain from Thee the spirit of sacrificial love, with which Thou hast blessed Thy Servant Rozalia Celakówna.

God full of kindness and mercy, we beseech Thee to enkindle in our hearts the fire of apostolic zeal to preach devotion to Christ the King and the work of His Enthronement in the Polish Nation, in accordance with the example set by Thy Servant Rozalia, who has devoted her life to this mission with great courage and sacrifice. We beseech Thee through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. **Amen.** 

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## **Monday**

# Day Four Behold, your mother

- Hymn to accompany the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

## **Antiphon to the Holy Spirit**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

#### John 19:26-27

When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.

For the Mother of Christ is glorified as "Queen of the Universe." She who at the Annunciation called herself the "handmaid of the Lord" remained throughout her earthly life faithful to what this name expresses. In this she confirmed that she was a true "disciple" of Christ, who strongly emphasized that his mission was one of service: the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mt. 20:28). In this way Mary became the first of those who, "serving Christ also in others, with humility and patience lead their brothers and sisters to that King whom to serve is to reign," and she fully obtained that "state of royal freedom" proper to Christ's disciples: to serve means to reign!

(John Paul II, The Encyclical Redemptoris Mater, 41)

#### A moment of silence

#### Introduction to prayer (from the writings of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna)

"Lord Jesus in the Holiest Sacrament has always been the only subject of my love, but I have always been guided towards Him by His Most Beloved Mother, the Holy Virgin Mary. I will never believe it to be possible to bear love to Lord Jesus without loving the Holiest Mother of God like a child loves its mother." (Notes, p. 130) The Virgin Mary exhorted her with the words: "My dear child, if you want to resemble me, emulate me in my virtues, observe how simple my life was, a life of no extravagance and utter obscurity." (Responses, p. 130)

#### **Prayer**

O God, whose sainthood is beyond understanding! Through Thy Son Jesus Christ Thou hast given us the paragon of sainthood and the path hereto. Thou hast involved Virgin Mary in the mission of Salvation by making Her Christ's Mother and ours. May Thou help us to see and believe that Virgin Mary is for us the model of ideal love. May our existence be permeated with the longing to bear love to Jesus and Mary. Mother of Divine Love, be mindful of the faithful gathered in this temple and all other places where Thou art glorified and addressed in the world full of misery. Be mindful of our souls longing to bear indivisible love to Thy Son and Thee. Be mindful of all souls, especially the souls loving Thy Son, teach them to fulfil His will as faithfully as possible, protect them from all sin and help them to attain perfect love in humility, simplicity and complete devotion to God. Through Christ, Our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

### Litany to Jesus Christ King of the Universe

See Day One (Friday)

### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

Rosary meditation on the intention for the Enthronement
- Fifth Joyful Mystery: The Lost and Finding at the Temple

#### Prayer in petition for the beatification of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna

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#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

**Let us pray.** Almighty God, the powerful King of all creation, we humbly beseech Thee to send the hosts of angels for our protection so that we may serve Thee with devotion, with no hindrance and in peace. We beseech Thee through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. **Amen.** 

## **Tuesday**

## Day Five Under the Patronage of Saint Joseph

- Hymn to accompany the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

#### **Antiphon to the Holy Spirit**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

#### **Matthew 1:20**

... the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her.

The total sacrifice, whereby Joseph surrendered his whole existence to the demands of the Messiah's coming into his home, becomes understandable only in the light of his profound interior life. It was from this interior life that "very singular commands and consolations came, bringing him also the logic and strength that belong to simple and clear souls, and giving him the power of making great decisions-such as the decision to put his liberty immediately at the disposition of the divine designs, to make over to them also his legitimate human calling, his conjugal happiness, to accept the conditions, the responsibility and the burden of a family, but, through an incomparable virginal love, to renounce that natural conjugal love that is the foundation and nourishment of the family.

This submission to God, this readiness of will to dedicate oneself to all that serves him, is really nothing less than that exercise of devotion which constitutes one expression of the virtue of religion.

(John Paul II, The Adhortation Redemptoris custos, 26)

#### A moment of silence

#### Introduction to prayer (from the writings of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna)

"After attending a service to the Holy Virgin I would pray most ardently to Saint Joseph. I had chosen Saint Joseph to be my Patron and Guide to my spiritual life. Saint Joseph loved Lord Jesus with the most ardent love, except the Holy Virgin, so His intercession to Lord Jesus is the most effective. Saint Joseph was my succour, advice and assistance, telling me how to please Lord Jesus and be a joy to Him.

... From the depths of my heart I would usually pray with the following words: Saint Joseph, my most beloved Father and Patron, I beseech Thee with all my heart to teach me how to love Lord Jesus and the Holy Virgin the way Thou loved Them. Deliver me from sin and lend me Thy succour at the time of temptation, so that I do not fall; teach me how to pray in a complete way, help me achieve the closest possible union with Lord Jesus through the most ardent love that may exist; I beseech Thee to give me a confessor who will help me find the narrow path of the Christian ideal and guide me to the very summit..."

#### **Prayer**

God of unfathomable kindness, who continuously summonest every person to a life of sainthood. Thou hast summoned Saint Joseph to accept the role and duties of the Guardian of Jesus Christ, Thy Son. Lend us Thy help so that we may see in Saint Joseph a paragon of Christian virtues, as did the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna, who followed His example of fidelity, justice, assuming a humble role and abandoning one's own aspirations.

Saint Joseph, who hast taken care of the Servant of God Rozalia, be mindful of all souls longing to bear unconditional love to Lord Jesus and His Mother. May we receive streams of graces through Thy intercession, so that we may guard the purity of our souls like a treasure to make them a worthy dwelling place for God. Saint Joseph, protect our children and youth from all impurity that destroys Divine life in their souls. We implore Thee to intercede before God on our behalf so that we may, within our powers and cooperating with Christ's grace, extend the Divine Kingdom on earth. **Amen.** 

- **Hymn** [pominiete]

### Litany to Jesus Christ King of the Universe

See Day One (Friday)

- **Hymn** [pominiete]

Rosary meditation on the intention for the Enthronement
- Fourth Sorrowful Mystery: Our Lord Carries the Cross to Calvary

#### Prayer in petition for the beatification of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna

The Almighty, everlasting God, the source of all sainthood, we beseech Thy grace of the beatification of Thy Servant, so that we may follow her example and, fortified by the light and power of the Holy Spirit, may become mature Catholics and faithfully follow the path of the Cross leading to Resurrection, in unity with Our Lord, Jesus Christ. May we obtain from Thee the spirit of sacrificial love, with which Thou hast blessed Thy Servant Rozalia Celakówna.

God full of kindness and mercy, we beseech Thee to enkindle in our hearts the fire of apostolic zeal to preach devotion to Christ the King and the work of His Enthronement in the Polish Nation, in accordance with the example set by Thy Servant Rozalia, who has devoted her life to this mission with great courage and sacrifice. We beseech Thee through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. **Amen.** 

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . . Glory be . . .

## Prayer to Jesus Christ King of the Universe by Adam Stefan Cardinal Sapieha (1927)

O Jesus, Lord of our hearts and immortal King of centuries, we hereby solemnly swear to Thee to stand faithfully by Thy throne and by Thee. We swear never to blemish Thy standard with unbelief, sectarianism or any other apostasy. We vow to Thee to persevere in the holy Catholic faith until we die.

May our posterity engrave it on our tombstones that we were never embarrassed because of our faith in Thee, Jesus the King, and Thy Gospel. May Thou reign in our hearts through grace. May Thou reign in our families through family virtues. May Thou reign in our schools through genuine Catholic upbringing.

May Thou reign in our society through justice and concord. May Thou reign everywhere, always and forever. May Thy standard be a guide for us all, may Thy Kingdom extend to every corner of the earth! **Amen.** 

## - <u>Hymn</u> [pominięte]

**Let us pray.** Almighty God, the powerful King of all creation, we humbly beseech Thee to send the hosts of angels for our protection so that we may serve Thee with devotion, with no hindrance and in peace. We beseech Thee through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. **Amen.** 

## Wednesday

# Day Six Contemplating the Holy Family

- Hymn to accompany the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

## **Antiphon to the Holy Spirit**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

#### **Luke 2:51**

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart.

Loving the family means being able to appreciate its values and capabilities, fostering them always. Loving the family means identifying the dangers and the evils that menace it, in order to overcome them. Loving the family means endeavoring to create for it an environment favorable for its development. The modern Christian family is often tempted to be discouraged and is distressed at the growth of its difficulties; it is an eminent form of love to give it back its reasons for confidence in itself, in the riches that it possesses by nature and grace, and in the mission that God has entrusted to it. "Yes indeed, the families of today must be called back to their original position. They must follow Christ."

(John Paul II, The Adhortation Familiaris Consortio, 86)

#### A moment of silence

#### Introduction to prayer (from the writings of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna)

"And Saint Joseph drew my attention to the simple life of the Holy Family in Nazareth, a life without eminence and in obscurity, as the example to follow. . . . And this life was to me a great delight and inspiration. . . . This life became to me the most important ideal, because it drew me closer than anything else to God and made me become like Him."

(*Responses*, p. 6)

#### **Prayer**

God, Father of mankind! Thou who didst come into this world through a family and showest it to us as a visible sign of love, mutual respect and kindness, let us learn to love anew, over and over again, and find a way to happiness through contemplating the ideal of the Holy Family of Nazareth.

Jesus, who hast sanctified family life through Thy Incarnation, to Thee we entrust every family, both such that lives separated from genuine happiness and such that enjoys the Divine gift of grace. The Servant of God Rozalia has shown it to us that true happiness consists in a faithful fulfilment of the Divine will and the Nazarethan atmosphere of warmth and modesty. Watch over all families on Polish soil, give them Thy blessing and let them find the true values that constitute and unite the family and are a way to find Thy peace. May the request be fulfilled, "Let the Polish family become strong through God". **Amen.** 

### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

### Litany to Jesus Christ King of the Universe

See Day One (Friday)

#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

## Rosary meditation on the intention for the Enthronement - Third Joyful Mystery: The Birth of Our Lord

#### Prayer in petition for the beatification of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna

The Almighty, everlasting God, the source of all sainthood, we beseech Thy grace of the beatification of Thy Servant, so that we may follow her example and, fortified by the light and power of the Holy Spirit, may become mature Catholics and faithfully follow the path of the Cross leading to Resurrection, in unity with Our Lord, Jesus Christ. May we obtain from Thee the spirit of sacrificial love, with which Thou hast blessed Thy Servant Rozalia Celakówna.

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## **Thursday**

# Day Seven Following the Saints

- Hymn to accompany the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

### **Antiphon to the Holy Spirit**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

#### 1 Peter 1:15-16

. . . but, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in every aspect of your conduct, for it is written, "Be holy because I (am) holy."

By their eloquent and attractive example of a life completely transfigured by the splendour of moral truth, the martyrs and, in general, all the Church's Saints, light up every period of history by reawakening its moral sense. By witnessing fully to the good, they are a living reproof to those who transgress the law (cf. *Wis* 2:12), and they make the words of the Prophet echo ever afresh: "Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!" (*Is* 5:20).

(John Paul II, The Encyclical Veritatis Splendor, 93)

#### A moment of silence

#### Introduction to prayer (from the writings of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna)

"She approached my bed and said to me: . . . Be happy because of the great deal of suffering that Jesus, Our Lord, has allowed you to bear: contempt, humiliation, slander, and various tribulations, especially the suffering you endured in hospital, and the torment that some souls have put you through. What great invaluable grace is given to you by Jesus in allowing you to suffer such things! It has been the greatest grace you have received from God in this life."

(Confessions, p. 209)

#### **Prayer**

God, Father of all grace! In Thy Saints Thou ceaselessly showest us Thy immeasurable kindness and Thy care over the whole Church. Through Jesus Christ, Our Lord and King, Thou teachest the saints the path to perfection and lettest them taste in this life the sweet fruit of Redemption. May Thou give us strength so that we have courage to follow the way to sainthood, fortified by the example of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna.

Jesus Christ, who takest joy in every soul that yearns to love Thee more than the world and one's own life. Thou hast allowed the Bride of Thy Heart to taste the heavenly sweetness of love by reigning supreme in her pure heart. Lord and King, Thou wishest to reign in the hearts of the righteous and the honest, the poor and the humble, the suffering and the scorned, through the intercession of Thy Servant Rozalia, be mindful of their souls and make them the kingdom of Thy love, peace and truth. May all the hearts cold and indifferent to the reverence and adoration of the Celestial Father be enkindled with love for Him. Thou who livest and reignest world without end. **Amen.** 

#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

## Litany to Jesus Christ King of the Universe

See Day One (Friday)

### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

## Rosary meditation on the intention for the Enthronement - Fifth Luminous Mystery: The Last Supper

#### Prayer in petition for the beatification of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna

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## **Friday**

## Day Eight With the Followers of Christ

- Hymn to accompany the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

## **Antiphon to the Holy Spirit**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

#### **Hebrew 7:26**

It was fitting that we should have such a high priest: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, higher than the heavens.

The priest always, and in an unchangeable way, finds the source of his identity in Christ the Priest. It is not the world which determines his status, as though it depended on changing needs or ideas about social roles. The priest is marked with the seal of the Priesthood of Christ, in order to share in His function as the one Mediator and Redeemer.

So, because of this fundamental bond, there opens before the priest the immense field of the service of souls, for their salvation in Christ and in the Church. This service must be completely inspired by love of souls in imitation of Christ, who gives His life for them. It is God's wish that all people should be saved, and that none of the little ones should be lost."The priest must always be ready to respond to the needs of souls," said the Curé of Ars. "He is not for Himself, He is for you."

The priest is for the laity: he animates them and supports them in the exercise of the common priesthood of the baptized — so well illustrated by the Second Vatican Council — which consists in their making their fives a spiritual offering, in witnessing to the Christian spirit in the family, in taking charge of the temporal sphere and sharing in the evangelization of their brethren. But the service of the priest belongs to another order.

He is ordained to act in the name of Christ the Head, to bring people into the new life made accessible by Christ, to dispense to them the mysteries . . .

(John Paul II, Letter to priests for Holy Thursday in 1986, 10)

#### A moment of silence

#### Introduction to prayer (from the writings of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna)

"A priest is another Christ, so I have always felt about priests the way I feel about Christ, Our Lord. I have wept bitterly over priests' mistakes, but I have never been dismayed, and have never become disgusted with them because of their mistakes. I have been praying for them as ardently as I can."

(Responses, p. 73)

#### **Prayer**

God, King of heaven and earth! Jesus Christ hath established the sacred priesthood to enable spiritual sacrifice, for the greater honour and glory of Thy Name and for the Redemption of all believers. We come to Thee with great reverence and humility and, learning to love like Jesus, Our Lord and King, we commend to Thee, O Lord, all those whom He loved until the end. Christ, the Apostle of Thy Heart Rozalia deeply understood the sacred nature of priesthood, how it becomes

the ministry of love, and how it is ingrained in Thy Divine Heart. O Christ, through the intercession of Rozalia, who showed utmost respect towards her confessor and spiritual guide, we implore Thee to behold Thy chosen ones today in Thy mercy. It is them who guide souls to Salvation; may Thou show Thy love to them and grant them the light of the Holy Spirit. Fortify them by Thy power, support them through the fidelity of their congregations and protect them from all evil. Thou who livest and reignest world without end. **Amen.** 

#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

## Litany to Jesus Christ King of the Universe

See Day One (Friday)

## - **Hymn** [pominiete]

Rosary meditation on the intention for the Enthronement
The Fifth Sorrowful Mystery: The Crucifixion of Our Lord

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## **Saturday**

## Day Nine Lord, Thy Kingdom Come

- Hymn to accompany the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

#### **Antiphon to the Holy Spirit**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

#### 1 Corinthians 15:24

Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power.

«Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!». I am sent by him, by Christ himself, to do this. I am an apostle, I am a witness. The more distant the goal, the more difficult my mission the more pressing is the love that urges me to it. I must bear witness to his name: Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. . . . I could never finish speaking about him: he is the light and the truth; indeed, he is «the way, the truth and the life». He is the bread and the spring of living water to satisfy our hunger and our thirst.

Jesus Christ: you have heard him spoken of; indeed the greater part of you are already his: you are Christians. So, to you Christians I repeat his name, to everyone I proclaim him: Jesus Christ is the beginning and the end, the Alpha and the Omega; he is the king of the new world; he is the secret of history; he is the key to our destiny.

(Paul VI, Homily delivered in Manila, 29 November 1970)

#### A moment of silence

#### Introduction to prayer (from the writings of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna)

"I repeat it to you again, my dear child, that only the nations that will be consecrated to the Heart of Jesus through Enthronement and will proclaim Him their King and Lord shall not perish." (Confessions, p. 31) "The Jasna Góra monastery is Virgin Mary's stronghold. Just as it was through Virgin Mary that the Son of God came to save the world, it will be in Jasna Góra and through Virgin Mary that Poland will be saved by the Enthronement. When it happens, Poland will become the antemural of Christianity, strong and powerful, and the hostile charges will crash against it." (Responses, p. 94)

#### **Prayer**

God, Father of Mercy! Thou, who ceaselessly reachest out to Man, who has lost the path leading him back to Thee, the Only Lord and Father of all children, may Thou give him the light to find the path to Thee. Jesus Christ, Our Lord and King, hath revealed that His Divine Heart is Man's only secure shelter. Our Lord and King, we yearn for Thee and Virgin Mary to reign in our hearts, in our nation and state. Jesus, through the intercession of Thy Mother we implore Thee, may the Polish nation come to believe that proclaiming Thee the Lord and King of Poland will bring only good things. King full of mercy, through the intercession of Thy Servant Rozalia Celakówna, who devoted her life to the idea of Enthronement, may Thou accept us gathered here as Thy subjects. May Thou also receive our homage, worship, fidelity and the act of consecration to the King of the Universe. Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy, may Thou lead our nation to the complete acceptance and

proclamation of Thy Son as Lord and King, so that we may realize that the Kingdom of God is true happiness and fulfilment in the earthly life. **Amen.** 

#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

## Litany to Jesus Christ King of the Universe

See Day One (Friday)

#### - **Hymn** [pominiete]

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- The Fifth Joyful Mystery: The Lost and Finding at the Temple

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## A sample text of the act of Enthronement of Jesus Christ the King on behalf of a parish

## BEFORE THE ACT OF ENTHRONEMENT EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

#### PRAYER BEFORE THE ACT OF ENTHRONEMENT

Let us pray. God Father, Thy Servant Rozalia accepted the mission of mediating to the world her revelation of the necessity to accomplish the Act of Enthronement, so that we may acknowledge Jesus Christ as our King and Lord. Father, we beseech Thee, may Thou grant us the grace of ardent attention to the cause of Thy Son and our Lord. May the testimony of Thy Servant Rozalia's life arouse in our hearts apostolic zeal to extend the Kingdom of God on earth. Amen.

#### I. THE ACT OF ENTHRONEMENT

Jesus Christ, Our Lord, King of the Universe, Redeemer of the human kind, may Thou see us lying humbled at Thy feet as we worship and glorify Thee. We vow to Thee to live to glorify Thee, and so thank Thee for Thy boundless Mercy for every generation.

Jesus Christ, we solemnly proclaim Thee our LORD and KING as Thou hast done great things for us... We vow to worship Thy Mother, who is the visible sign of magnificent Divine Love, as our MISTRESS and QUEEN.

Jesus Christ, Lord of heaven and earth, may Thou be the KING of our Homeland, of all us gathered here, of all Polish families, now and world without end. May our life in obedience to the Divine commandments extend Thy Kingdom of Peace, Truth, Justice and Love.

#### After a moment:

**Christ, reign over us** in families which, fortified by Thy power, will persevere in this resolution.

**Christ, reign over us** in our children, so they may be a lasting sign of Thy boundless love.

**Christ, reign over us** in our young people, so they may be faithful to Thy Gospel of life, carrying the light of faith into the Millennia to come.

**Christ, reign over us** in our Nation, wishing to build Thy Kingdom under the protection of the Holy Virgin, a kingdom in which no one will be rejected or scorned.

**Christ, reign over us** in the world, so that it may abound in hearts devoted to Thee.

**Christ, reign over us** in the hearts of all Polish people.

Christ, reign over us in every workplace.

Christ, reign over us in all mass media.

Christ, reign over us in our concern about the poor and those who are menaced by problems in their family lives.

Christ, reign over us in our care of the suffering.

**Christ, reign over us** in our struggle for the right live for those, whose lives are threatened.

May we worship the Only God, Father, Son and the Holy Spirit in every moment of our lives, now and world without end. Amen.

**HYMN** [pominieto]

#### II. ACT OF ENTHRONEMENT OF JESUS CHRIST THE KING

Immortal King of Centuries, real and living, concealed under the veils of bread, our God, Jesus Christ!

At Thy feet we stand to enthrone Thee, King of the Universe, in the parish of ...... (in the chaplaincy of ......).

For we declare before heaven and earth that Thy rule is our need; we declare publicly that Only Thou, King of kings (and Lord of lords), hast the sacred right never extinguished to reign over us.; we also declare on behalf of those, who refuse to know Thee and serve Thee, that only Thy sceptre can deliver our Homeland, resurrected through Thy assistance and so sorely tried. Our Almighty King, be not mindful of our unworthiness and misery, but through the love of Thy Heart may Thou descend to us mercifully, full of grace and truth, to assume the rule of this people, which today declares Thee their King.

Bowing our heads and humbling ourselves before Thee, we adore God the King, the Only Triune God, Father, Son and the Holy Spirit. And Thee, Jesus, the everlasting King of Heaven and Earth, we proclaim and to be our King and Lord!

#### After a moment:

Wishing to worship the majesty of Thy power and glory, imbued with deep faith and love, we hereby appeal:

#### Christ, reign over us!

(the congregation repeat: Christ, reign over us!)

- In our parish of ..... (in the chaplaincy of .....)

#### Christ, reign over us!

- In our city (town, village) of .....
- In our Homeland
- In our families
- In the life and heart of every participant of this feast
   (other appeals can be added provided they are consistent with the Instruction of the Church)

Our only and cherished King, we are Thy people and wish to live for Thee. From the depths of our hearts and souls, with all our power, we make this pledge: **We vow to Thee!** 

- We hereby promise to live in obedience to Thy commandments and to preach their everlasting value through the sanctification and redemption of families and nations. **We vow to Thee!**
- We hereby promise to defend Thy rule over us through the power of sacraments and prayer, at the cost of every effort and sacrifice. **We vow to Thee!**
- We hereby promise to defend Thy Name and preach Thy royal glory at the cost of every effort and sacrifice. **We vow to Thee!**
- We hereby promise to follow Thy will, extend and defend Thy Kingdom in our Nation at the cost of every effort and sacrifice. **We vow to Thee!**

May Thou be glorified, King of centuries and our Supreme Lord, may Thou rule and have power over us. May we have Thy protection in our earthly existence, may we inherit Thy celestial Homeland in eternity. Who liveth and reigneth with God the Father and the Holy Spirit, world without end. **Amen.** 

#### **HYMN** [pominieto]

## Draft proposals of solemn oaths to be made during the ceremony of the Enthronement of Christ the King, elaborated for various groups and professions

## A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY A CITY COUNCIL

The City Council Resolution
Date:
The City Councillors of gathered in a session on,
having regard to the faith of our forefathers,
having regard to the Christian tradition of our city
and aware of the existing dangers and threats
in alliance with the priests of the Roman Catholic Parish of in
hereby make a resolution toproclaim
THE ACT OF THE ENTHRONEMENT OF Christ, King of the Universe
in the city of
The enforcement of the resolution is hereby entrusted to (the President, the Vice President, the Councillor)
The President of the City Council
(a legible signature

#### A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY THE HEALTH SERVICE WORKERS

Jesus Christ, King of the Universe! We hereby commend to Thee ourselves, all workers of the health service and the fortunes of their patients. Make us discern Christ Himself in every sufferer, and treat them with due respect. May every person afflicted with illness and suffering find the compassion and assistance they expect. Christ the Healer, King of the Universe, be a strength to us and a fortification to patients in their illness. O Lord, send forth Thy Holy Spirit, let His power bring Thy light and grant to every helper of sufferers the gift of love manifesting itself in kindness towards every human being.

Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, accept our good will to serve Thee by serving our fellow men. May Thou accept us all to be Thy faithful subjects. **Amen.** 

## A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY THE WORKERS OF FORESTRY OR HORTICULTURE

God Almighty, King of the Universe! Thou givest Thy blessing to the whole creation. Today we appear before Thee, we, whom Thou hast summoned to the special mission of taking care of and contemplating the work of Thy hands.

Jesus, King of the Universe, make us entirely devoted to Thee and let us sacrifice ourselves completely in taking care of everything that Thou hast entrusted to us. May each of us make efforts not to waste anything of the treasures given to us by Thee, Our Lord and King. Appealing to the intercession of Saint Francis of Assisi, who bore his love to every creature of the earth, we devote ourselves to thee with these words: O Lord, be Our King, now and world without and. **Amen.** 

#### A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY FARMERS

God the Father Almighty, we farmers thank Thee for Thy assistance and providence. Through the Incarnation and presence in this world of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, whom we today proclaim our Lord and King, give Thy blessing to our Homeland and may Thy gracious eye be over her future. Be Our King, reign over us and guide us in our work. Give us comfort whenever we feel lonely and helpless, and the hardship of our work is not respected. O Lord, spare us from isolation and disrespect. O God, thou canst everything, multiply our faith, give us hope for a better tomorrow and lend us strength to work for a fair division of goods and for building Thy Kingdom in this world. **Amen.** 

## A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY THE WORKERS OF THE JUDICIARY

Jesus, Our Lord, Thou hast said: "I have come not to abolish [the law] but to fulfil [it]". Accept our homage and the resolution to proclaim Thee Our King and Lord. It is our belief that the deliverance and salvation of the person who uses our assistance consists above all in Thy law of love. O, Jesus, Our King, we vow to Thee not only to guard truth and justice, but also to make every possible effort to reveal kindness and love that originates and is complete in Thee. May Thou be for us a paragon of not only a fair judge, but also a merciful King. **Amen.** 

#### A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY TEACHERS

Jesus, Our Lord, whom people would call 'good teacher', Thou teachest us ceaselessly how to achieve goodness through our work, so vital for shaping the character of future generations. King of

the Universe, we implore Thee today to grant us thy blessing, so that despite the obstacles and various hardships we have to endure in our work we may introduce in our schools the height of the Divine Wisdom, according to which we wish to live in our Homeland. We wish to defend the children entrusted to us from all evil, so that they may witness to Thy Kingdom in this world, now and in future times. **Amen.** 

#### A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY PRIESTS

Jesus, Our Lord, the Highest and everlasting priest, we, the priests of this parish, submit under Thy power not only our ministry, but also the gift of priesthood, through which we participate in Thy prophetic, pastoral and royal mission. May Thou who callest us not Thy Servants, but Thy friends, use Thy power to make us friends of the weary and the overburdened. Through Thee let them receive solace and assistance in their distress.

Renew us today, so that we may become worthy workers in the vineyard of Thy Kingdom. May Thy Heart full of love renew priests' hearts to make them ready for sacrifice and contribution. May the altar of our existence kindle ceaselessly with the fire of Thy love, with which Thou hast loved us until the end. May Thy Most Sacred Heart be always honoured, praised and revered. May the ministry of our entire life be a sign of Thy reigning grace in us and through us, now, always and everywhere. **Amen.** 

## A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY THE CLERICAL STUDENTS OF THE PARISH

Jesus, Our Lord, Thou hast called us with the words, "Follow me". We come to Thee today as Our Lord and King and commend our whole life unto Thee, imploring Thy assistance so that we may be faithful to Thee and never abandon our vocation and go away sorrowfully, like the youth in the Gospel. May Thou always be Our King, in our every endeavour, every thought and every prayer. May Thy Heart embrace our hearts to keep them pure of all evil. We beseech Thee to stand by each one of us, now and world without end. **Amen.** 

#### A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY NUNS

O Lord, Thou hast summoned us to relinquish the worldly life and hast commanded us to fulfil Thy sacred Will, we recognize Thee as Our Lord and King. May Thou help us so that Thy Will may be done in the world and the challenge put before us may be met, so that Thy Holy Name may be praised and Thy Kingdom of reconciliation, truth and peace may extend, the peace Thou hast brought so that we may have life and have it in abundance. O Lord, reign through every manifestation of our obedience. Reign in every heart devoted to Thee forever, a sign of our humility. Reign and aid us in the evangelical virtue of purity. Reign over us always and everywhere in every community devoted to Thee. **Amen.** 

## A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY THE APOSTOLATE OF THE LAITY

Jesus, Our Lord, King of the Universe, who hast bestowed Thy Blessings upon every person wishing to retain Thy words in their heart, we humbly beseech Thee to control our desires and to make our hearts ready to carry out Thy commands and fulfil the tasks Thou givest us. King of all-enduring love, be not mindful of our misery and our weaknesses: make us Thy useful servants, so that Thy rule may already start extending forever. **Amen.** 

#### A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY ALTAR SERVERS

We worship Thee, Jesus, Our Lord, King of Love. We constantly wish to adore Thee through our service at Thy altar. We wish to assure Thee that we sacrifice our hearts and service to Thy glory and to the benefit of the sacred Church. May the example of our lives become a testimony for our peers, so that they may join us in witnessing Thy Rule in our righteous and pure life. May our every prayer and act of service at the altar of Sacrifice fortify us in the work of extending Thy Kingdom. **Amen.** 

## A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ROSARIAN CIRCLE

Let my soul worship my Lord, because He hath done great things for us, so we may contemplate the mystery of Thy love together with the Virgin Mary, the Queen of the Holy Rosary. Christ, Thou art the King of the Immaculate Virgin Mary. With Her and through Her Unblemished Heart we give Thee our hearts, Jesus, Our Lord; reign over them and be their guide, so that they may be humble and full of devotion to Thee. We offer our contemplations of the Rosary for peace in the world, begging Thee also for the future prosperity of our Homeland and all our Compatriots. To Thee we entrust our fortunes and our entire existence. **Amen.** 

#### A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF FAMILIES

Jesus, Our Lord, who hast sanctified with Thy presence the family life of the Immaculate Virgin Mary and Saint Joseph, today we long to see Thy presence in the families of our parish. To Thee we entrust our families and all those close to us. Thou knowest the wants, the hardships, the problems and sorrows of our lives. We wish to receive Thee in our families as King, so we may obey Thy commands in rejecting pride and selfishness. May we be granted Thy peace and Thy delight in passing on the gift of life and staunchly defending its value. As Thy subjects we wish to be pure of all the bitterness of this world and all its threats. God and King, may Thou watch over every family and protect it from every possible menace. May each of us be a guardian of the purity of the Christian way of life in obedience to Thee, Our Lord and King. **Amen.** 

### A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY THE PARISH CHOIR

"Sing to the Lord, bless His Holy Name forever." These words of the psalm have encouraged us to pray more ardently and to appeal to our brothers and sisters to pray. Through our singing we wish to make it known that Thou, Our Lord, art the King of us all. O Lord, Thy Name lasts through those who praise Thy innumerable miracles in their singing. May Thou grant Thy blessing to all those who sing joyously with us: O Christ, reign over us, now and world without end. **Amen.** 

## A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY THE GUARDIANS OF HONOUR OF THE MOST SACRED HEART

O, Jesus Christ, we appear before Thee, who hast sanctified our every weakness in the Most Sacred Sacrament. We wish to make it known ceaselessly that Thy Loving Heart deserves to be adored, loved and worshipped as the source of love and boundless mercy. May Thy Most Sacred Heart lead us to the victory of the spirit over the body, the truth over the falsehood, the kindness over all violence. Christ, lead us to the victory of Thy Kingdom. **Amen.** 

## A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY THE COMMUNITY FOR THE ENTHRONEMENT OF CHRIST THE KING

Our King and Lord, we announce it joyously to the community of our parish that today we are witnessing the fulfilment of our longings. We thank Thee for having listened to the prayers of our community and all those who joined us in bringing our entreaties before Thy Throne. We thank Thee, Our King, for our shepherds, who comforted us in fulfilling our resolutions and overcoming obstacles. (King of the Universe, may Thy grace fortify our Parish Priest, who is with us today and submits the parish under Thy rule.) O, Christ, reign over us all the time, because we solemnly proclaim Thee to be Our King. We rejoice in the growing number of people devoted to Thee, who will join the hosts under Thy command. O, Lord, may Thou be adored and worshipped not only now as we pay our homage and make vows to Thee at this solemn hour, but also in our daily prayers, both collective and private, and through our testimony of Christian life. **Amen.** 

#### A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY CHILDREN

(The children of a parish may proclaim the Enthronement on a separate occasion, such as the First Holy Communion or its anniversary.)

Jesus Christ, Our Lord, who hast told Thy disciples, "Let the children come to me", we appear before Thee in response to Thy call. We wish to stand by Thee all the time. We wish to please Thy Heart with our presence. We wish to share our childish cheerfulness with Thee. Our Lord and King, may Thou rejoice with us. **Amen.** 

## A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY THE PARISH CHARITY

O Jesus, Thou hast taught us to reach out to the poor, the suffering and the needy. We proclaim Thee to be Our King and wish to rise to even greater zeal in seeking Thee, the Suffering King of Love, in every person that needs our assistance. May each of us always perceive such a person as a sign of Thee, so often rejected due to our selfishness and lack of patience and compassion. May Thou lend us more strength needed to serve those who suffer privation and go through hardships in their lives. Give us Thy Blessing and let us discern Thee in another human being. Who liveth and reigneth, world without end. **Amen.** 

#### A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY VETERANS

Lord Jesus, in Thee confided our fathers, brothers and friends, in Thee they had hope, with Thy name on their lips they sacrificed their lives for their Homeland. Also we, the sons of the Polish soil, found a steady support in Thee when we overcame our fear and all adversities. Jesus, Thou and the Virgin Mary, the Hetmaness of the Polish army, were a perpetual presence in the heart of the Polish soldier. As King, Thou reignest over the whole world and everything is subjected to Thee. We who appear before Thee today, the representatives of veterans, soldiers, former political prisoners and the organization of war-disabled persons, entrust completely to Thee our life and our service to the glory of Thy Most Sacred Heart and to our Homeland. Thou art Our King, now and forever, so may Thou shield our Homeland from enemies and keep us safe from all dangers and threats. We vow to Thee at the foot of Thy Throne to guard our free Homeland, always faithful to God. So help us God. Amen.

#### A DRAFT PROPOSAL OF THE OATH TO BE MADE BY SCOUTS

Christ, Our King! "I am present, I am mindful, I am alert" - we keep repeating these words of the hymn, standing by the throne of the Virgin Mary, the Queen of Poland. Today all of us gathered

in this temple wish to unite in singing yet another hymn: "Christ, reign over us, always and everywhere". Let this knightly motto assist us in living and working for our Homeland. With this motto it will be made known to everyone that we have entrusted our young hearts, our hopes, intentions and plans to Thee, Jesus, Our Lord. Christ, reign over us, now and in future, which we wish to shape with Thee at our side, in Thy faithful service, Our King and Chief. **Amen.** 

# ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

by Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque

I ...... give myself and consecrate to the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ, my person and my life, my actions, pains and sufferings, so that I may be unwilling to make use of any part of my being other than to honour, love and glorify the Sacred Heart.

This is my unchanging purpose, namely, to be all His, and to do all things for the love of Him, at the same time renouncing with all my heart whatever is displeasing to Him.

I therefore take You, O Sacred heart, to be the only object of my love, the guardian of my life, my assurance of salvation, the remedy of my weakness and inconstancy, the atonement for all the faults of my life and my sure refuge at the hour of death.

Be then, O Heart of goodness, my justification before God the Father, and turn away from me the strokes of his righteous anger.

O Heart of love, I put all my confidence in You, for I fear everything from my own wickedness and frailty, but I hope for all things from Your goodness and bounty.

Remove from me all that can displease You or resist Your holy will; let your pure love imprint Your image so deeply upon my heart, that I shall never be able to forget You or to be separated from You.

May I obtain from all Your loving kindness the grace of having my name written in Your Heart, for in You I desire to place all my happiness and glory, living and dying in bondage to You. Amen.

# ACT OF CONSECRATION OF A FAMILY TO JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Jesus Christ, Our King and Lord, Our Redeemer! We know that Thou willest to establish a Kingdom of love in this world. Thou willest to establish it through families that will receive Thee in their homes and will wish to obey Thy Divine Law. Our family wishes to be one of them. Jesus Christ, we proclaim Thee to be the head of our family forever. Thou hast said that Kingdom of God is in us. Therefore, we vow to Thee to remain in sanctifying grace and to unite with Thee frequently in the Holy Communion.

We will also make every effort so that our country may truly be the Kingdom of Thee and Thy Mother.

Also, we hereby resolve to fight against the evil, to defend the sanctity and indivisibility of marriage, to guard the lives of the unborn, to take effective care of the complete religious education of the young, to struggle against our weaknesses, especially drunkenness, injustice, impurity and disrespect for the Holy Day.

Kind Jesus, may Thou be the King of our family and the unification of our hearts. May Thou be with us at work and at times of rest. May Thou share and sanctify our fortune and misery. May Thou cause that one day our family, united with Thee forever, will glorify Thy love and mercy in heaven.

We offer to Thee this act of consecration into the hands of Thy Immaculate Mother and Thy Guardian, Saint Joseph.

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Thy Kingdom come. Amen.

# Prayer in petition for the beatification of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna

God, full of kindness and mercy, I beseech Thee to enkindle in my heart the fire of apostolic zeal to preach devotion to Christ the King and the work of His Enthronement in the Polish Nation. May Thou inspire in me a desire for complete devotion to Jesus to magnify His glory and honour. May Thou guide me on the path of loving deeds and celestial gifts, as Thou didst with the life of Thy Servant Rozalia Celakówna, so that I may fulfil Thy Holy Will as well as I can. May Thou enable me to love the humiliated, the scorned and persistent sinners in accordance with the example set by the Apostle of Thy Heart. Almighty, everlasting God, the source of all sainthood, I beseech Thy grace of the beatification of Thy Servant Rozalia, so that through her intercession and following her example, fortified by the light and power of the Holy Spirit, I may follow the path leading to mature faith, in faithful imitation of Christ.

O Jesus, my King and Lord, I implore Thee to grant me through the intercession of Thy Servant Rozalia the grace I humbly ask of Thee.

Our Father ... Hail Mary ... Glory be ...

Please notify the Cracow province of the Jesuits about the graces granted by God through the intercession of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna, in writing or by phone: +48 12 629 33 14.

## NOVENA TO JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

# in petition for graces through the intercession of Rozalia Celakówna

(for private recitation)

### 1. Antiphon to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

#### 2. Petition

O Jesus Christ, my King and Lord, through the intercession of Thy Holiest Immaculate Mother Assumed into Heaven, through the intercession of Saint Joseph, and through the special contribution of Thy Servant Rozalia, her patient bearing of the Cross and self-denial, I implore Thee with ardent love and immense trust to grant me the grace I am asking of Thee (at this point, the grace may be specified). May Thou grant me this grace if such is Thy Sacred Will. O, Lord, may Thou graciously hear me, through the Wound of Thy Merciful Heart, the everlasting source of love. Amen.

#### 3. Short act of consecration to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

O Kindest Jesus, Our Lord, to express my gratitude to Thee and to atone for my infidelity, I give my heart to Thee, I consecrate myself to Thee and I hope, with Thy assistance, to endure without sin. The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I give myself to Thee through Virgin Mary and her Immaculate Heart.

#### 4. Act of consecration of the day to Jesus Christ the King

Jesus Christ, Our Lord, uniting myself with this Divine intention, with which during Thy life in this world Thou hast worshipped God through Thy Most Sacred Heart, and with which Thou continuously worshippest Him through the Sacrament of Eucharist in all temples of the world forever, following the example of the Immaculate Heart of the Ever Virgin Mary, on this day I consecrate to Thee all my intentions and thoughts, all my feelings and longings and all my actions and words.

## 5. Rosary meditation The Fourth Glorious Mystery: The Assumption of Mary into Heaven

#### 6. Prayer to Saint Joseph

Saint Joseph, the Purest Bridegroom of Virgin Mary, it has never been heard of anyone seeking Thy providence and Thy assistance who was left without comfort. Fortified by this trust, I come to Thee and give myself to Thee with the whole ardour of my spirit! I beseech Thee not to reject my prayer, but that you would deign graciously to hear me. Amen.

#### 7. Prayer of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna

Jesus, My King and Lord, present in the Sacrament of Love, who bearest us love despite our terrible misery and always hearest us gladly, I come to Thee with all my misery and afflictions to obtain Thy assistance. My Sweetest Jesus, have mercy on me and hear my entreaty. Above all, I beseech Thee to grant me the gift of loving Thee like Thou lovest us, and the grace I am asking of

Thee (at this point, the grace may be specified). I give myself and my life to Thee, My Jesus, I kiss Thy Most Sacred feet. Amen.

## 8. Prayer in petition for the beatification of the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna

O Jesus Christ, the King, may Rozalia's tombstone become famous for miracles and may we be granted the grace of Her beatification.

Our Father . . . Hail Mary . . . Glory be . . .

#### 9. Summons for frequent recitation for every day of the novena

#### The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I trust Thee

- ◆ The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, increase our faith, hope and love.
  - Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.
- ◆ The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, enkindle my heart with the fire of Thy love. Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.
- The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, give me real freedom from sin.
  - Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.
- ◆ The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, do not forsake me, Thy everlasting Providence.
  - Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.
- ◆ The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, heal all my wounds suffered through sin and give me the spirit of courage to make penitence and repentance.
  - Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.
- ◆ The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, let me be given genuine repentance and obtain the pardon of my sins through the memory of Thy torments.
  - Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.
- ◆ The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, purify me and free me from all desires.
  - Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.
- ◆ The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, show me Thy mercy at the hour of my death.
  - Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.
- ◆ The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, that I may look upon Thee in eternal life.
  - Let us pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.

The participants are recommended to take part in the Holy Mass and to receive Jesus, Our Lord, in the Holy Communion on each of the nine consecutive days of the novena.

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#### Rozalia Celakówna

was born on 9 September 1901, in the Polish village of Jachówka. She was the eldest of eight children of Joanna and Tomasz Celak, a very pious couple who made zealous efforts to provide their offspring with sound religious education. Even at a very young age, Rozalia's heart kindled with great love for Jesus. As she grew up, she had a number of mystical experiences of Divine presence. In 1924, Rozalia moved to Kraków and found employment at St. Lazarus Hospital in the ward of dermatology and venereal diseases. Very conscientious in her hard work, she suffered deeply witnessing the sinful life of the patients. Although overworked, she prayed incessantly to obtain the grace of conversion for her patients. Over the 20 years' period of her work at St. Lazarus Hospital, none of the patients who died during her ward duty departed without reconciliation with God. Rozalia Celakówna died with a reputation of sainthood on 13 December 1944, and God has confirmed her to have been a chosen one by granting great graces through her intercession. Rozalia's body rests on the Rakowicki Cemetery in Kraków (quarter XLVIII west, tomb 9). After many years of endeavours, the pious Rozalia's canonisation procedure was initiated by Franciszek Cardinal Macharski on 5 November 1996. On that date Rozalia Celakówna was granted the title of the Servant of God. On 17 April 2007, a public session held in the chapel of the House of the Archbishops of Cracow closed the beatification procedure concerning the Servant of God Rozalia Celakówna at the diocese level.

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