



First Saturday Mass, Rosary & Relics

Every First Saturday of the Month at 8:30AM – Noon, join Sacred Heart of Jesus Diocesan Shrine in Bowmansville, NY for Holy Mass, First Saturday Prayers, the Holy Rosary and Veneration of Saints’ Relics.

In July of 1917, Our Lady of Fatima appeared to Sr. Lucia and shared that she will come again in the future regarding the practice of the Communion of Reparation on the First Saturday of the month for five consecutive months. That manifestation occurred on December 10th, 1925, when Sr. Lucia was then a Postulant Sister in Spain. On this occasion, Our Lady appeared with the Child Jesus, who spoke first to Lucia:

“Have compassion on the Heart of your Most Holy Mother, covered with thorns which ungrateful men place therein at every moment, while there is no one who does an act of reparation to withdraw them for her.”

Our Lady then addressed Lucia as follows:

“Behold, my daughter, my Heart encircled with thorns, with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. Give me consolation, you, at least; and make known on my behalf that I promise to assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all who on the First Saturday of five consecutive months confess their sins, receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for fifteen minutes meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, with the purpose of making reparation to my Immaculate Heart.”

To enhance First Saturday for your education and veneration a collection of saints’ relics is available for three hours until noon. The saints in heaven, as conduits of grace and lives of heroic virtue, can intercede in assisting us in making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Sacred Heart of Jesus has a collection of one hundred relics, including Pope St. John Paul II, Our Lady’s Veil, the 12 Apostles, St. Padre Pio, St. Patrick, and St. Peregrine, just to name a few!

THE FRUIT OF PARTICIPATION: The Blessed Mother asks us for this reparation on five consecutive First Saturdays. In return - she offers us promises to intercede for us at the hour of our death, offering graces necessary for our salvation.