



# Practical Arrangements for the Enthronement to the Sacred Heart

**The place of enthronement** in the home must be fitting. In other words it should be the central place in the home where the family spends time each day. The living room is usually the best locations. The image may be enthroned on a small table with flowers, candles, a Bible, and pictures of family members. Prayer intentions may also be placed on the table. If the image is hung on the wall there should be a small shelf for the other items mentioned. The Enthronement should reflect the great reverence and love we have for Our Lord.

**Plan to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation** and celebrate the Eucharist before or on the day of the Enthronement Ceremony, have images blessed by a priest in advance, prepare a place of honor for the image. Choose a family member to read a Scripture passage such as: John 16:27-33, Luke 19:1-10, Luke 10:38-42 or Luke 1: 26-33.

**Invite family and friends to join in the Rite of Enthronement.** The invitation gives a witness to the Catholic faith and its practice, and has the potential of inspiring others to learn about the Enthronement and enthrone the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in their homes. You may want to make copies of the Rite of Enthronement for invited guests so they may participate more fully. Also having social time and refreshments after the Enthronement is an excellent opportunity for family members to explain to others all the Enthronement means to them. It is a most natural time to give witness to love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The enthronement in the home can be facilitated by the head of the household. A certificate of Enthronement may be signed at the conclusion of the Rite of Enthronement and placed in a frame near the enthroned image of the Sacred Heart.

**After the Enthronement to the Sacred Heart ceremony is completed** please write a note to the National Enthronement Center to let them know your home is indeed Enthroned.

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