



Rite of Total Consecration to the Immaculata in the Militia of the Immaculata

*In the absence of a priest or deacon, you may perform the Rite of Consecration on your own or with another MI member present. However, the Blessing of the Miraculous Medal must be done by a priest or deacon, but may be done at a later date.

Opening Hymn

Priest: Dear brothers and sisters, the Lord has inspired you to entrust and consecrate yourselves wholly to Mary in order to become instruments of his grace in the Militia of the Immaculata movement for the conversion and sanctification of all mankind. Do you wish, therefore, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to live your lives in perfect union with the Immaculata and to be for all your brothers and sisters a light and an example of Christian life?

All: Yes, I do.

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Priest: The act of total consecration to Our Lady will lead you to live your Baptism fully. For this reason we now renew the promises that our parents and godparents made for us.

Do you reject sin, so as to live in the freedom of God's children?

All: I do.

Priest: Do you reject the glamour of evil and refuse to be mastered by sin?

All: I do.

Priest: Do you reject Satan, father and prince of darkness?

All: I do.

Priest: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

All: I do.

Priest: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, was crucified, died, and was buried, rose from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father?

All: I do.

Priest: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?

All: I do.

Official Act of Consecration to the Immaculata
Composed by St. Maximilian Kolbe

(MI members present may join in renewing their total consecration)

Priest: Let us now recite together the formula of consecration composed by St. Maximilian Kolbe, the founder of the Militia of the Immaculata. I invite all members of the MI present to renew their consecration by joining in the recitation of this formula. Candidates for the MI who have already consecrated themselves to Mary using the formula of St. Louis de Montfort or other similar formulas, not only renew their consecration by reciting the formula of St. Maximilian, but also explicitly commit themselves to serve the Immaculata's cause as instruments in her Immaculate and merciful hands to draw all strayed and indifferent Catholics and all other persons into the blessed Kingdom of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

All: O Immaculata, Queen of Heaven and earth, refuge of sinners and our most loving Mother, God has willed to entrust the entire order of mercy to you. I, (name), a repentant sinner, cast myself at your feet humbly imploring you to take me with all that I am and have, wholly to yourself as your possession and property. Please make of me, of all my powers of soul and body, of my whole life, death and eternity, whatever most pleases you.

If it pleases you, use all that I am and have without reserve, wholly to accomplish what was said of you: "She will crush your head," and, "You alone have destroyed all heresies in the world." Let me be a fit instrument in your immaculate and merciful hands for introducing and increasing your glory to the maximum in all the many strayed and indifferent souls, and thus help extend as far as possible the blessed kingdom of the most Sacred Heart of Jesus. For wherever you enter, you obtain the grace of conversion and growth in holiness, since it is through your hands that all graces come to us from the most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Priest: Allow me to praise you, O sacred Virgin.

All: Give me strength against your enemies.

Blessing and Investing with the Miraculous Medal

Priest: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

All: Who made heaven and earth.

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, who through the many apparitions of the Immaculate Virgin on earth has deigned to work great wonders, bless + these medals, so that all who wear them in love and veneration might enjoy your protection and gain your mercy. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The new consecrants approach the priest and receive the blessed Medal.

Priest: Receive this holy medal, wear it with faith and venerate it with love.

Priest: Be faithful now to all you have promised and be assured that the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God will protect and defend you from all harm in soul and body. As the Immaculate Virgin is ever ready to renew her wondrous acts of kindness, may she obtain for you in her mercy whatever you humbly ask of God, so that both in life and in death you may rest happily in her motherly embrace.

All: Amen.

Final Exhortation

Priest: Let us pray to Our Lady using the prayer recommended for daily recitation by St. Maximilian:

All: O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you, and for all those who do not have recourse to you, especially the enemies of Holy Church and all those recommended to you.