

Consecrating Our Nation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

On June 11, 2026, as part of the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. bishops will consecrate the United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Parishes and faithful around the country are encouraged to join the bishops in consecrating our nation to the Sacred Heart. A number of resources to help Catholics participate through prayer and action are available at www.usccb.org/weholdthesetruths

America 250 Catholic Activities: Ways to Participate

Parishes and individuals can participate by contributing to 250 Hours of Adoration and 250 Works of Mercy.

250 Hours of Adoration during the 250th Anniversary of America

Parishes can participate in 250 hours of adoration together by offering a Holy Hour on a weekly or monthly basis leading up to the July 4 anniversary. Eucharistic adoration allows parishioners to pray silently, read the Bible, or just sit in the presence of God.

Eucharistic Adoration at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

(8 Carman Road, Scarsdale, NY 10583)

- Monday: 7:10am – 8pm
- Tuesday: 7:10am – 1pm
- Wednesday: 7:10am – 8pm
- Thursday: 7:10am – 1pm
- Friday: 7:10am – 8pm

250 Works of Mercy during the 250th Anniversary of America

Individuals and groups can participate in 250 Works of Mercy by engaging in the existing activities and efforts of their parishes, getting involved in new ways, and by participating with local and national organizations on a weekly or monthly basis leading up to the July 4th anniversary. Works of mercy draw from the deep well of our faith and prayer, reminding us that in tending to our brothers and sisters, we tend to Christ himself.

Assist with our parish outreach programs or volunteer on your own.

These works of mercy could vary by:

- Assisting women who face a crisis pregnancy
- Donating to food pantries and clothing closets
- Participating in a community beautification program
- Raising money for an overseas development project
- Sponsoring a refugee family
- Tutoring children
- Volunteering at homeless shelters

