Litany of the Sacred Heart

The litany has been adapted as a resource for the prayers asked for in the Bishops’ Conference statement on Child Abuse, April 2010

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
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God our Father in 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

Heart of Jesus, Son of the eternal Father have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, formed by the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mother have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, one with the eternal Word have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, infinite in majesty have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, holy temple of God have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, tabernacle of the Most High have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, house of God and gate of heaven have mercy on us

Heart of Jesus, aflame with love for us have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, source of justice and love have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, full of goodness and love have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, well-spring of all virtue have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, patient and full of mercy have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, generous to all who turn to you have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, fountain of life and holiness have mercy on us

Heart of Jesus, source of healing have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, sharer in our sorrow have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, safe-guarder of the vulnerable have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, friend of the betrayed have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, companion of the ignored have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, face of the misjudged have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, memory of the disbelieved have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, true voice in the silence have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, wounded by our failings have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, bearer of our sufferings have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, acquainted with grief have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, atonement for our sins have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, overwhelmed with insults have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, broken for our sins have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, obedient even to death have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, pierced by a lance have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, source of all consolation have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, our life and resurrection have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, our peace and reconciliation have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, victim for our sins have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, salvation of all who trust in you have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, hope of all who die in you have mercy on us
Heart of Jesus, delight of all the saints have mercy on us

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world have mercy on us
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℣ Jesus, gentle and humble of heart.
℟ Touch our hearts and make them like your own.

Let us pray.

Father,
we honour the heart of your Son
broken by man's cruelty,
yet symbol of love’s triumph,
pledge of all that man is called to be.

Teach us to see Christ in the lives we touch,
to offer him living worship
by love-filled service to our brothers and sisters.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord
℟ Amen