

**MONSIGNOR'S FAVORITES**

Lord Jesus, thank you for removing my heart of stone,  
bitter and uncircumcised.  
Thank you for my new heart, a heart of flesh,  
a pure heart.

You have cleansed my heart;  
You love the clean heart.  
You have taken possession of my heart now  
And you dwell in it.

Contain it and fill it,  
You who are higher than the heights of my spirit;  
Closer to me than my innermost self.  
You are the pattern of all beauty;  
The seal of all holiness.

Thank you for setting the seal of your likeness  
Upon my heart!  
In your mercy you have restored original innocence,  
As you renewed your seal on my heart,  
O God of my heart  
And God Who is my portion forever.  
Amen

(Adaptation of a Prayer written by  
Saint Baldwin of Canterbury.