



To be “sacred” means
“to be set aside for a unique purpose”.

What, then, is the purpose of **Jesus’** heart?

The heart is obviously a human element
of who Jesus is.

It certainly expresses the love of God the Son,
for as Saint John the Divine tells us, God is love.

Mary, too, has a ‘sacred’ heart.

She has a heart of love and of genuine motherly concern for all.

Faced with the mysteries she encountered in the early stages of the life of Jesus she
“**kept all these things in her heart.**”

What does it mean then to say that Jesus and Mary, as humans, have hearts?

It means that they are capable of suffering.

To have a heart means to be able to be broken, to be weak, to be vulnerable.

This is the breadth and length and height and depth of Christ’s and Mary’s love:
that they would both, in their own unique ways give their lives for the salvation of humans.

Both repeat, time and again, “Fiat / Yes”

“**Not my will but yours be done**”

“**Be it done unto me according to your word**”

