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Eucharistic Miracle of Dronero



On Sunday, August 3, 1631, at about the hour for Vespers, a great fire broke out in the town of Dronero, in the marquisate of Saluzzo. A young countess carelessly set fire to some dry straw precisely at the moment when the wind was picking up strength due to an impending storm. In a few seconds, the flames spread rapidly, to the point where they reached the homes on Borgo Maria. The people tried in every way to put out the fire, but every attempt turned out to be fruitless. The fire, meanwhile. was getting more and more intense... The priest, Father Maurizio da Ceva, a Capuchin, received the inspiration to have recourse to our Savior's power, concealed under the veil of the Eucharistic species. At once, organized solemn procession with the Blessed Sacrament, and followed by all the citizens of Dronero, he headed in the direction of the

fire. At the approach of the Blessed Sacrament, the fire stopped immediately. A stone tablet found in the little church of St. Bridget at Dronero describes the Miracle in detail and each year, on the occasion of the feast of Corpus Christi, the citizens of Dronero honor the memory of the Miracle by holding a solemn procession with the Blessed Sacrament.

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- (1) The landscape surrounding Dronero
- (2) Dronero
- (3) Chapel from which the Blessed Sacrament was stolen. The stone tablet describes the Miracle