The First International Conference on Eucharistic Adoration

Bishop Dominique Rey, of Frejus-Toulon, France, announced that the First International Conference on Eucharistic Adoration was held in June 2011 with the intention of promoting the desire of the Magisterium of the Catholic Church to see Perpetual Adoration spread to parishes around the world.

Pope Benedict XVI encouraged that “The faithful must seek to receive and venerate the Most Holy Sacrament with piety and devotion, and be eager to welcome the Lord Jesus with faith. For more information go to: www.adoratio2011.com/

On The Eucharist

“Never Take the Eucharist for Granted”

It is easy, explains Bishop Thomas J. Tobin, of Providence, to not only to take important things in life for granted, but to even take the gift of the Eucharist, for granted. He reminds us that the Eucharist is the very heart and soul, of our Catholic Faith. It is a gift and mystery, a sacrifice, a sacrament, a meal, a celebration, and an affirmation of our faith.

In (Ecclesia de Eucharistia, #35) something of grave importance is spelled out for the faithful, concerning what qualifies us to properly receive the Eucharist, a communicant must be in the state of grace and a member of the Catholic Church.” (don’t take the rule for granted).

A worthy reception of the Eucharist transforms us. We grow spiritually closer to the image of Christ. It prepares us for our journey here on earth. Furthermore, we are led closer to adoration, to give glory to Him who transforms us with the food of His very Body and Blood (never take the Eucharist for granted).

To read other articles on the Eucharist go to The Rhode Island Catholic site at http://thericatholic.com/opinion/

Corpus Christi Sunday

The celebration of the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ has been going on since 1264 in Liege, Belgium. At that time it was celebrated by the Archbishop who later became Pope Urban IV. It was he who requested St. Thomas Aquinas to compose the prayers and hymns for the Solemn Feast, to this day we are all familiar with his hymns, Tantum Ergo, O Salutaris Hostia, and Panis Angelicus. By 1314 the Feast was celebrated by the Universal Church and the prayers and hymns still add to the reverent attention given to the Eucharist.

Currently, Eucharistic processions are held throughout the world on Corpus Christi Sunday. The practice is becoming more and more common and as experienced in the parish of St. Joseph in Manteno, Illinois, on the third anniversary of having a Eucharistic procession, many more people became part of giving a public demonstration of the great love and reverence Catholics have for the Eucharist.

Evangelization calls us to teach, celebrate and live our Catholic faith as if for the first time.

Pope John Paul II

In life today, often noisy and dispersive, it is more important than ever to recover the capacity for inner silence and recollection. Eucharistic adoration permits this not only centered on the “I” but more so in the company of that “You” full of love who is Jesus Christ, “the God who is near to us”. (Pope Benedict XVI Angelus 06.10.2007)

In fact, adoration must precede our every activity and programme, that it may render us truly free and that we may be given the criteria for our action. (Pope Benedict XVI Speech October 16, 2006).
We'd like to hear from you. If your parish has had Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration for twenty years or more let us know. Send your story by email to 6132dout@sbcglobal.net

MANY YEARS AGO

JESUS SAID,
to St. Faustina, “Adore, in the Blessed Sacrament, My Heart, which is full of mercy.”

JESUS SAID,
to Blessed Dina Belanger, “My Heart over flows with grace for souls. Bring souls to My Eucharistic Heart.”

JESUS SAID,
to Alexandrina da Costa, “Keep Me company in the Blessed Sacrament. I remain in the tabernacle night and day waiting to give My Love and Grace to all who would visit Me.”

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

Nocturnal Adoration has been going on in the Catholic Church since 1592. It started at a time when the Church was threatened with widespread heresy and dissent, and has continued, to varying degrees, throughout the world. Today, the Nocturnal Adoration Society is established in 36 countries and has over 1,000,000 members.

It is as association of Catholics, with no age limit, who are dedicated to prayer in the name of the whole community and of the Church. They pray before the Blessed Eucharist, through the night, for the praise of God, the needs of the Church and the world at large. Most often the night of adoration is held once a month on the eve of the First Friday and prayer begins about 10 PM on Thursday until before morning Mass on Friday. Adorers spend one designated hour during that time. Families and groups, as well as individuals, are encouraged to commit to a specific hour. Every hour must be covered for the 9 or 10 hours of adoration.

As we proceed through the 21st century, already heavily coated with, wars, destruction and the breakdown of families and faith, there is an urgent need, for the good of ALL, to return to ardent petitions for help from Almighty God.

For anyone truly interested in joining the Nocturnal Adoration Society call Joe Nelli 704-864-6632. He started a chapter in his parish in 1965 and is still very much involved. He will direct you to your next step and materials for your parish.

"Let us encourage one another to walk joyfully, our hearts filled with wonder, Towards our encounter with the Holy Eucharist.”

Pope Benedict XVI

COLLEGE STUDENTS AND EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES of the WORLD

The Cardinal Newman Society has launched the fourth year of leading Catholic college students to Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, and is nearing the completion of a new and powerful video. They continue to sponsor the Vatican’s Eucharistic Miracles of the World exhibit on college campuses which they feel is essential to their mission of renewing authentic Catholic education.

In 2011 students across the Country will experience the transforming power of the Miracles, and Eucharistic Adoration must be at the heart campus life at every authentic Catholic college and university.

www.AdorationU.com

“Let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe.”

Hebrews 12:28