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Dear Friends,

The New Millennium of grace is already bringing a renewed interest of the faithful in the real presence of our Lord in the Eucharist. Many dioceses across the country report an emergence of chapels set aside for periods of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar. As a result, the faithful are testifying to graces received, conversions taking place, prayer answered, reconciliation in families, increases in priestly and religious vocations and other favors.

The *Real Presence Association*, founded by the late Father John Hardon, S.J., is a nationally focused apostolate promoting perpetual adoration. Their start-up manual contains the principals of eucharistic adoration according to church teaching, counsel for leadership by local pastors, pointers for parish catechesis and for setting up a chapel for adoration.

This is a movement of the Holy Spirit in the Church in these times, and I am happy to give my endorsement to this manual as a tool for getting adoration underway in parishes. May the rich graces given by Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament transform each of us, the Church and the world.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Francis Cardinal George".

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
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