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GUIDELINES FROM CANON LAW AND THE MAGISTERIUM

Please post this notice in a prominent place for all adorers to review!

Chapel leaders should identify a core group within the parish to be designated as "On Call." They should make arrangements with the pastor or parish staff so those "on call" can have access to the tabernacle and repose the Eucharist safe and securely. This is our duty. We need to uphold due reverence to Christ, present in the Holy Eucharist, to maintain the permission from our bishops to continue this form of worship.

The Blessed Sacrament must be safeguarded at all times

When there are no adorers the Blessed Sacrament must be reposed in a secure tabernacle, the Chapel, Oratory or Church and all keys *must* be secured. It is not permitted to simply cover the monstrance with a cloth or place a barrier in front of it.

Jesus exposed in the Blessed Sacrament must never be left alone

If an emergency arises leaving no one present to adore our Lord, then one who is designated and "on call" must repose the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle. The interruption should then be communicated to adorers. Adoration for the balance of the day must be cancelled. Adoration can begin anew the next day.

Always remember exposition is limited to no more than twice in a single day

When Mass is celebrated & adoration is held, the Blessed Sacrament must be first reposed. Exposition and reposition are to be done at scheduled times announced in advance.

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Eucharistic Adoration Association of the Archdiocese of Chicago

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"Your faith will help you realize that it is Jesus Himself Who is present in the Blessed Sacrament, waiting for you and calling you to spend one special, specific hour with Him each week."
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ADORATION EXPANDS AT TWO VENUES

Newest Chapel Named in Honor of Pope John Paul "The Great" and Elevation to Perpetual Status Sought at Women's Center

The Year of Saint Paul has produced bountiful fruit for the Church worldwide. More will follow in the wake of Pope Benedict's visit to the Holy Land.

Among the blessings already realized locally was the opening of the "Pope John Paul The Great Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration" at St. James the Greater Parish in Sauk Village. Complimenting the newest adoration chapel in the Archdiocese is the expansion of hours devoted to prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at the Women's Center in Albany Park on the Northwest side of the city.

The consecration of the Pope John Paul The Great Chapel on April 5 capped a flurry of activity over about nine months, according to Tom Dunn, a chapel leader at the parish. Located at 22400 South Torrence in Sauk Village, it is the only chapel in the world consecrated in the name of the late pontiff. An ambitious schedule has been embraced by the faithful from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., daily. New adorers are welcome and anyone in the area can contact Mr. Dunn, who is Vicariate VI coordinator for the PJPII Eucharistic Adoration Association. Leave your name and contact information at 708-333-5886 or send an email to the association at info@pjp2ea.org.

An influx of new prayer warriors taking part in a national pro-life campaign last fall catapulted the adoration program at the Women's Center, 5116 N. Cicero in Chicago, from five days a week to a 24/7 endeavor. For the past 15 years adoration has been taking place discretely on weekdays in the center's St. Jude Chapel, located on the first floor between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., while support and counseling takes place.

"Prayer as a 'same time' support effort has always been important," said Executive Director Mary Strom of the long time practice of Eucharistic Adoration during operating hours. The center also has daily Mass thanks to a volunteer network of some 50 priests. "Our adorers come from all over. They are very committed to the pro-life issue and faithful to the Church."

Last fall, Chicago organizers of the "40 Days For Life" prayer campaign choose the site for their round the clock vigil an abortion provider just down the street from the Women's Center. Ms. Strom said the pro-life groups scheduled for the vigil immediately sought permission to pray simultaneously before the Blessed Sacrament for the 40-day period.

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See photos from
both locales.*

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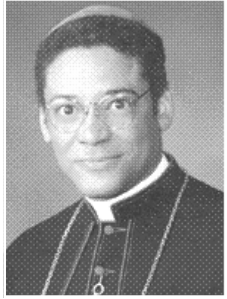
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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IN THE POPE'S OWN WORDS

By Bishop Joseph N. Perry

We invite our chapel leaders and fellow Catholics devoted to Eucharistic Adoration to join us for a weekend of Eucharistic reflection, prayer and strong talks from good presenters, June 11-13, moving toward the Feast of Corpus Christi, June 14. This is a joint program between PJPII and St. John Cantius Parish, Chicago. More details are forthcoming. Check out our website of Pope John Paul II Eucharistic Adoration Association as details come together.



On the topic of promoting authentic Eucharistic Adoration, our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, this past March, addressed the staff at the Vatican of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments who have been meeting recently to consider the question of Eucharistic Adoration following upon a worldwide survey taken on the devotional practice. We trust our diocesan report here from Chicago serves to enhance the understanding of the Holy Father and his co-workers in the area of the church's Eucharistic worship outside the Mass.

Pope Benedict is concerned that Eucharistic Adoration promote faith in the real presence of the Lord in the Holy Eucharist and that Catholics and other Christians can understand more profoundly the fundamental nature of the Eucharist left to us by the Lord Jesus himself prior to his sacrificial death for our sakes. *"The doctrine of the transubstantiation of the bread and wine and of the real presence are a truth of faith already evident in Holy Scripture and later confirmed by the Fathers of the church,"* said Benedict XVI. The Church has never wavered from this faith. The Church's possession of this mystery is wrapped up in the apostolic tradition of the Church; in other words, our faith is traced to the apostles and to Jesus himself. Our church and its sacraments are not the invention of any man.

After explaining that, *"in the Eucharist, adoration must become union: that is, union with the living Lord and with His mystical Body,"* the Pope recalled words he had spoken at World Youth Day 2005 in Cologne, Germany: *"God no longer simply stands before us as the One who is totally Other. He is within us, and we are in Him. His dynamic enters into us and then seeks to spread outwards to others until it fills the world, so that His love can truly become the dominant measure of the world... I also reminded young people that in the Eucharist we experience the fundamental transformation of violence into love, of death into life...."*

What Eucharistic Adoration can do for the Church at large is made evident, the Pope remarked *"... through a greater awareness of the mystery in complete faithfulness to Sacred Tradition, and by enhancing liturgical life within our communities."*

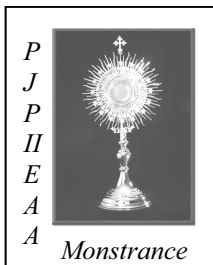
Programs of Eucharistic Adoration in our parishes and other institutions serve to impart the truth behind the mystery of the Lord's abiding presence, a mystery that overtakes our lives and brings the Lord more dynamically in the action of our daily lives. I thank our pastors, chapel leaders and faithful adorers for their generosity and faith with this important apostolate here in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Joseph N. Perry

Bishop Joseph N. Perry

Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago

Episcopal Moderator, PJP II Eucharistic Adoration Association



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In just three sentences, Professor Martin has brought us in to the inner circle of the Little Flower. He follows this with an excerpt from *The Story of a Soul*. Now we hear St. Therese of Lisieux tells us in her own words of the encounter with Christ as an instructor.

"I understand and know from experience that 'The kingdom of God is within you' (Lk. 17:21). Jesus has no need of books or teachers to instruct souls; He teaches without the noise of words. Never have I heard Him speak, but I feel he is within me at each moment; He is guiding and inspiring me with what I must say and do. I find just when I need them certain lights that I had not seen until then, and it isn't most frequently during my hours of prayer that these are most abundant but rather in the midst of my daily occupations."

After taking in this brief passage, imagine the ease with which you could now gaze upon the face of our Eucharistic Lord. The pending "to do" list for later in the day gives way, fading from prominence, in favor of the higher things of Heaven.

In addition to the Little Flower, we are introduced to the deep mystical insights of fellow Carmelite saints John of the Cross and Teresa of Avila. Further guidance is incorporated from saints Bernard of Clairvaux, Francis de Sales and Catherine of Siena. Professor Martin draws on the classic works of all these church pillars. The result is a volume filled with an array of vignettes where the reader is transported to a contemplative reality. Chronology is of limited importance because of a common denominator. Each episode holds the same aim as anyone engaged in Eucharistic Adoration: becoming closer to God.

The wider undertaking of this book is to encourage spiritual growth for all Christians. *The Fulfillment of All Desire* is arranged in parts that compliment the basic structure of a soul's spiritual metamorphosis. It starts with our universal call to holiness, and the necessity to begin with a purgative stage. From this foundation, we enter

an illuminative phase. Lastly, for those in search of the ultimate goal, Professor Martin outlines in the final three chapters the ongoing search, as presented by the saints, to experience unity with the Father's will in contemplative prayer.

This excellent work is published by Emmaus Road of Steubenville, Ohio.

"This is a book to keep at your place of prayer for years to come," writes Fr. Benedict Groeschel, C.F.R. who correctly commends professor Martin for his expertise on the great tradition of Catholic spiritual writing. He adds, "It is a treasure chest of quotations of the greatest writers on the journey to God. Careful reading and rereading will be a source of powerful inspiration for all those on the spiritual journey." Well said Fr. Groeschel, we couldn't agree more.

The Chapel Donors Program

As we respond to the charge of Cardinal George to bring Eucharistic Adoration to every parish in the archdiocese, the creation of Perpetual Adoration Chapels remains a top priority.

At present, we invite requests from any parish in the archdiocese looking to build an adoration chapel, or remodel an existing space. We also ask you to keep this important mission in your prayers. Your plea for intercession is the most powerful tool available to bring generous stewards to this ministry.

The Pope John Paul II Eucharistic Adoration Association is a certified 501 C(3) corporation and contributions are tax deductible.

Our Chapel Donors Program looks to match you generosity with a specific adoration chapel or parish remodeling project.

For more information about this opportunity, please contact PJPII Eucharistic Adoration Association Board Member Otto Kaiserauer at:

(773) 239-7460

The Grace of Adoration

We are anxious to proclaim to the faithful personal testimonials from adorers. In this issue, Newsletter Editor Roy M. Postel highlights an excellent resource for the chapel reading table or addition to any adorer's library.

The ebb and flow of entering into contemplative prayer at fixed times presents adorers with interior challenges. Amid our busy lives, the task of embracing a prayerful mindset at an appointed time can be a welcome diversion. For many it is among the more appealing elements of Eucharistic Adoration.

But who has not experienced the occasional lingering distraction before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament? Some looming chore for later in the day, or a recent encounter where we responded with uncertainty, serves to block our effort to gain intimacy. Amid these conditions, an adorer can look to the bookshelf or chapel reading table for a source of spiritual reorientation. Sister Mary Charla Gannon, a founding member of the PJPII Eucharistic Adoration Association, often stressed the importance of solid spiritual literature when counseling chapel leaders.

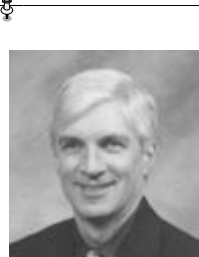
Heeding the wisdom of Sr. Charla with an eye on serving the faithful we found over the winter months an excellent remedy to counter the busyness many of us bring to the adoration chapel. *The Fulfillment of All Desire* would make an excellent addition to anyone's spiritual library, but its unique format makes this book an ideal resource for settling an uneasy soul in minutes.

Published in 2006, Ralph Martin delivers a rich work that uses an everyday vocabulary to guide the reader along a path through the classic stages of spiritual growth. *The Fulfillment of All Desire*, as the subtitle explains is "A Guidebook for the Journey to God Based on the Wisdom of the Saints." It is an exemplary weave of insight pulled from the pages of classic writings by a half dozen Doctors of the Church.

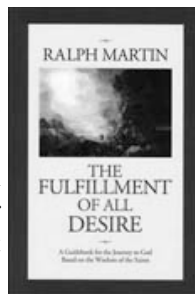
Its profound beauty is how you can open the work anywhere in its 400-plus pages and immediately forget the busy world. In a matter of a few sentences you are transported to the contemplative realm of a saint and immersed with them in a mystical experience! Here is an example, from page 295:

"Therese speaks about how may lights she received from reading John of the Cross, particularly between the ages of seventeen and eighteen (she also had his writings on her bedside table when she died). She also admits that sometimes no book of spiritual reading was able to help her break through periods of aridity in

prayer, and then only Holy Scripture, especially the Gospels, and Thomas a Kempis's *The Imitation of Christ* provided any help. But she realizes that in the midst of the aridity Jesus was accomplishing and teaching deep things."



Ralph Martin is president of Renewal Ministries. Based in Ann Arbor, MI. Renewal Ministries is devoted to Catholic evangelization on a global scale. He is a masterful spiritual writer and author of several books. He is an assistant professor of theology at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit. There he serves as Director of the graduate program in Theology and the New Evangelization. He is host of "The Choices We Face" one of the longest running syndicated programs in Catholic television. He and his wife Ann have six children and are grandparents of five. *The Fulfillment of All Desire* can be ordered by contacting Renewal Ministries at (734) 662-1730, or via the web at www.renewalministries.net. The paper back edition is listed at \$18. The hard cover would make an excellent gift for a special adorer at \$24.



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GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Ceil Brieske

This is proving to be a very exciting time for all of us. On March 13, Pope Benedict XVI called for a renewal of Eucharistic Adoration, which he said helps to bring about a "fundamental transformation." We are so blessed to know that there is one certainty in our lives that never changes, our Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament. In these times of change and perhaps insecurity, we are able to walk through a door at our parish and find comfort in the peace of Jesus Christ. Always there for us, just waiting to give us what is needed in our lives. Perhaps it is to sit in His silence and let Him bathe us in His graces. All of us as adorers have been chosen to march forward in our apostolate of spreading Eucharistic Adoration.

In celebration of the great feast of Corpus Christi the PJPII Eucharistic Adoration Association and St. John Cantius Parish will host a three-day event June 11 through June 13, at St. John Cantius Church, 825 N. Carpenter Street, Chicago. Thursday evening will be the opening with an outdoor candlelight procession. Everyday will be filled with adoration and speakers. Closing will take place on Saturday, with additional information to follow. This celebration will mark the first

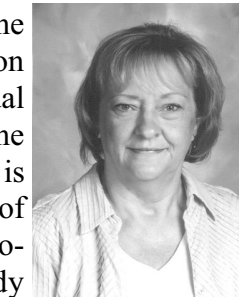
collaborating effort by the PJPII Eucharistic Adoration Association and an individual parish to host an event for the entire archdiocese. Our aim is to make it an annual feature of the days leading up to the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Plan to take part in some portion of the 3-day celebration. Join us to draw on the radiance of the Eucharist and the guidance of the Holy Spirit to give even greater thanks to God within your parish community when the feast is celebrated Sunday, June 14.

We are living in a grace filled time. Adoration is definitely growing stronger throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago. We are obedient to our Holy Father's call. I ask for prayers for all who are planning these two events and that the Holy Spirit will continue to guide us, that Our Lady protects us from evil and that we walk with Jesus.

Praise be Jesus Christ now and forever,

Ceil Brieske

President,
PJPII Eucharistic
Adoration Association



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TWO VENUES... (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

“We always wanted to have adoration on Saturday,” Ms. Strom said, because it is one of the busiest days for counselors. When the 40-day vigil ended in November, the faithful remained strong and prayer has been round the clock since. Echoing this grassroots, can do spirit was Mr. Dunn of the enthusiasm at St. James the Greater. “The key to the chapel is the lay people, because they are the ones who will run it.”

To Begin...Take One Step at a Time

Mr. Dunn outlined the steps employed since early last summer that culminated in the April 5th consecration Mass celebrated by PJP II Episcopal Moderator and Chicago Auxiliary Bishop Joseph N. Perry.

Any parish looking to begin a chapel or regular adoration program must start with educating and inviting the community to be involved. St. James had a series of speakers along with a regular bulletin inserts inviting participation. Sign up sheets and promotional displays were present at other parish events to create an atmosphere of cooperation and stewardship.

“You get the commitment first and then establish the schedule,” Mr. Dunn noted. Standards from the PJP II Eucharistic Adoration Association always have stated two adorers per hour, along with a designated chapel leader for each day.

The pastor must become more involved when deciding where to locate the chapel. St. James was blessed with a vacant school office just right for remodeling. (It also benefited from the experience of its associate pastor, Fr. David Simonetti, who has helped establish chapels elsewhere.)

Involve the Wider Community

Furnishing, decorating and supplying prayer materials for the chapel is a way to involve



the wider community. A plaque prominently displays the names of about 50 gracious contributors as one enters the Pope John Paul the Great Chapel.

Respond to the Holy Spirit and Church Authority

Truly the Holy Spirit is the impetus for expanded hours at the Women Center’s St. Jude Chapel. The Advocate has prompted the laity and the leadership of the Church responds. Episcopal Vicar of Vicariate IV and Auxiliary Bishop the Most Rev. Thomas Paprocki has given his blessing to the project. Since, St. Jude Chapel is not located on Church property, its leadership has

applied for formal approval as Chapel of Perpetual Adoration with the Archdiocesan Vicar of Canonical Services.



St. Jude Chapel



St. John Paul The Great Chapel

Among the generous gifts from the adoration community at St. James the Greater is this zucchetto, once worn and autographed by Pope John Paul II. Now on “permanent loan” it is encased along the east wall of the chapel and provides a uniquely personalized touch to the reverent and tasteful decorating scheme of the Archdiocese’s newest chapel of Eucharistic Adoration. Adorers are welcome any day from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. For information on sign up call Tom 708-333-5886.



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Rev. Richard Simon, Pastor, St. Lambert Parish, Chicago

Rev. Pablo Straub, CSSR, Mission Helpers of the Holy Savior

Rev. Robert Goedert, OP, Leads Special St. Paul Holy Hour

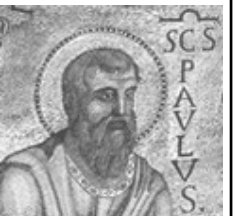
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Rev. Charles Becker, Chicago

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Prayers of Intercession Sought !

There is never a shortage of worthy intentions to bring before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

But on occasion circumstances present a local event where the outcome will have national and international consequences.

With this in mind, please place on your chapel pray intention list a plea for hearts to be changed among the leadership of the American Medical Association.

Ask for grace to fortify the efforts of a local physician to change the policy stance of the

AMA on embryonic stem cell immoral and unethical research. He has submitted a resolution to national headquarters in Chicago, and each year the members convene to conduct official business of the organization. This year the meeting will be conducted from June 11 to 13.

Besides composing and arranging to have the resolution placed on the agenda, Dr. Bianchi has been seeking to build a core group of like-minded doctors who plan to attend the meeting in Chicago. The policy change depends on gaining a consensus among the members at the event, he explained. Keep Dr. Bianchi in your prayers, along with all the medical professionals who are able to uphold the dignity of the human person through their work and service to the public.

There are many courageous doctors serving families across the nation who take issue with the stance published by the AMA on March 9 to support President Obama’s removal of federal funding restrictions on embryonic stem cell research. Dr. Raymond Bianchi, MD has spent many hours this spring working to formally challenge the AMA’s endorsement of this