

ARCHBISHOP'S COMMITTEE FOR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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Dear Parish Coordinator of Eucharistic Adoration,
(Please forward to coordinator)

This newsletter will be archived on our webpage where you may find helpful information to assist in maintaining and promoting Adoration. www.archstl.org/adoration

PRAY, SACRIFICE, INVITE

A recent Pew Forum study found that 50 percent of Catholics didn't know the church's teaching on the Real Presence. 63 percent of Catholics personally believe that the bread and wine literally become the body and blood of Christ at the consecration--including 17 percent who had no idea that the church actually teaches that this is true.

As parish coordinator, one thing you can do is to have some books available about the Eucharist in the Adoration Chapel. One good book is *The Eucharistic Miracles of the World*. The book is published by Eternal Life and it includes all of the Vatican approved Eucharistic Miracles around the world. It also covers the saints and mystics of the Eucharistic and stories about the Blessed Mother related to the Eucharistic and miraculous communions.

The miracles are organized by country and include colorful photos. Many of the miracles occurred to sustain the weak faith of someone who did not believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Pray to one of the saints devoted to the Eucharistic. The book is \$25 and is available from Eternal Life

<https://store.lifetime.org/products.asp?p=322> (plus \$8 shipping) and is carried by Catholic Gifts and books in Chesterfield (plus sales tax). You can also view the miracles online at the http://www.therealpresence.org/eucharst/mir/engl_mir.htm website.

ASK-SEEK-FIND! Thank You Lord!

Offer up a holy hour for an adorer who has died and asked that adorer to help you find one or more people to fill the hours. Encourage all adorers to invite friends to commit to a regular holy hour. There are many graces for spending an hour in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, but even more so when you commit to a regular hour.

Do you have a suggestion which can be shared with other Adoration Coordinators? If so, please share your suggestions by sending them to: stladoration@gmail.com or call Patti @ 314-576-2938.

25. In order to enhance security, may the Blessed Sacrament be exposed behind a glass window?

No. The Blessed Sacrament may be exposed in either a monstrance or ciborium and is usually placed on the altar for adoration. The exposition of the Blessed Sacrament behind a glass a window is not the "exposition" envisioned by the rite. Such arrangements often result in the appearance of a "glass Tabernacle," which is forbidden.

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"Besides, I cannot doubt at all about Your real presence in the Eucharist. You have given me such a lively faith that, when I hear others say they wish they had been living when You were on earth, I laugh to myself, for I know that I possess You as truly in the Blessed Sacrament as people did then, and I wonder what more anyone could want."

- St. Teresa of Avila.

If you are still receiving this newsletter, and are not the coordinator, please forward to the person in charge, and send us the updated name and e-mail address. Thank you.