



NEWS FROM Mother of America Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel



at the Marian Center for Peace



EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL AND THE MARIAN CENTER

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-SAINT POPE JOHN PAUL II

Saint Pope John Paul II spoke of Eucharistic amazement and Eucharistic wow! 2023 is the second of a three-year Eucharistic Revival organized by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. This revival is to give us a more vivid, intense, enlivened awareness that it is truly Jesus whom we receive onto our tongues and into our hearts at Mass. It is truly Jesus whom we adore in Eucharistic exposition upon the altar or enclosed in the tabernacle. We are all invited to fall in love with Jesus in the Eucharist. In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus said “I have earnestly desired to celebrate this with you.” Jesus is present in others, Jesus is present in the Church, and Jesus is present in the living sacrament of the Body and Blood. All other sacraments share His power, but the Eucharist is Him, thus is the greatest sacrament. The Body we receive is resurrected and glorified – alive so that we can live. We cannot overvalue the gift of the Eucharist. It is truly priceless.

The Marian Center and this Eucharistic Revival go together. Saint Pope John Paul II also stated that Eucharistic adoration is second only to the Mass. Perpetual Eucharistic adoration is one of the Marian Center’s main missions. Corpus Christi Sunday is also one of our main events. We are taking several actions at the Marian Center to support the Eucharistic Revival:

- We have many excellent books about the Eucharist. Those books, along with many of the other books that were in the library, are being moved into the chapel for easier access.
- The four images of the Shroud of Turin will be moved into what was formerly the library.
- The former conference room will be used for a photographic display of Eucharistic miracles. Our plan is to rotate one into the chapel each week. The Marian Center currently owns seven panels of Eucharistic miracles. Through the generosity of an anonymous donor, we are in the process of purchasing several more, leading to our goal of having all 158.

Why do we need this Eucharistic Revival? We need it because it is not easy for us to sustain an unshakeable belief in Jesus’ Real Presence in the Eucharist. It requires an act of faith. When we receive holy Communion week after week, year after year, the sheer force of habit can numb us to the glorious reality of that transformation. God sees our weakness, of course, so He has done something about it. He has lavished His church with 158 Eucharistic miracles. As you view the miracles, you will see that oftentimes, the miracles occurred to help a priest struggling with the same doubts we have. Jesus has given us these miracles to inflame our hearts and reawaken our sense of wonder. May our encounter be alive and vivid as we go to meet Him, truly present, in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood.

Come to the Mother of America Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel in the Marian Center for Peace. Share something with the Lord that is on your heart. You will probably notice that without saying or feeling anything special, you will leave with a quieted heart. Jesus is there. Take your problems and speak with Him. Even if you leave without anything seemingly having happened, you will gradually come to know Jesus is indeed there. Jesus holds nothing back in the Holy Eucharist. We encourage you to invite a friend or relative to adore Jesus in the Eucharist with you. They will appreciate feeling both the quieted heart and the fire for Jesus in the Eucharist that you feel.

What is a Eucharistic Miracle?

Eucharistic miracles are God’s extraordinary interventions, meant to confirm faith in the real presence of the body and blood of the Lord in the Eucharist. In fact, in the Eucharistic miracles the flesh and blood - or one or the other - appear, depending on the situation. The purpose of these miracles is to show that we must not look at the external appearance (bread and wine) but at the substance, to the true reality of the thing, which is flesh and blood. The Marian Center currently owns seven panels of Eucharistic miracles, with a goal of eventually having all 158.



A Lenten Prayer

Lord, this Lent, help me to convert my heart more and more to You, not so as to be noticed by others but solely for love of You who have given everything for love of me. Help me to see Your presence in those around me and to respond to them with charity. May I be attentive to Your words and honor You with my deeds. Amen. *During Lent and beyond, we invite you to spend more time with our Lord at the Marian Center.*

Why I'm An Adorer



Eloise Brehm

"I've been an adorer since it started (in 2004). Prayer, the Church and the community are my whole life. My weekly hour of Eucharistic Adoration is my time. I like the quietness. I like to pray the Magnificat and read the Bible. I always speak with love of my hours and how much it gives me. Coming to the Chapel is like coming home."

Divine Mercy Sunday is April 16



Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified."

Sacred Heart Parish Nekoosa will host the observance of Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 16. The Marian Center for Peace, sponsor of this event, reminds you to begin the Divine Mercy Chaplet Novena on Good Friday, April 7. For more information, call 715.424.6279.

Here is the schedule of events:

- 1:15 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions;
- 2:45 PM a Reflection on Divine Mercy;
- 3 PM the Chaplet of Divine Mercy;
- 3:20 PM Benediction / Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

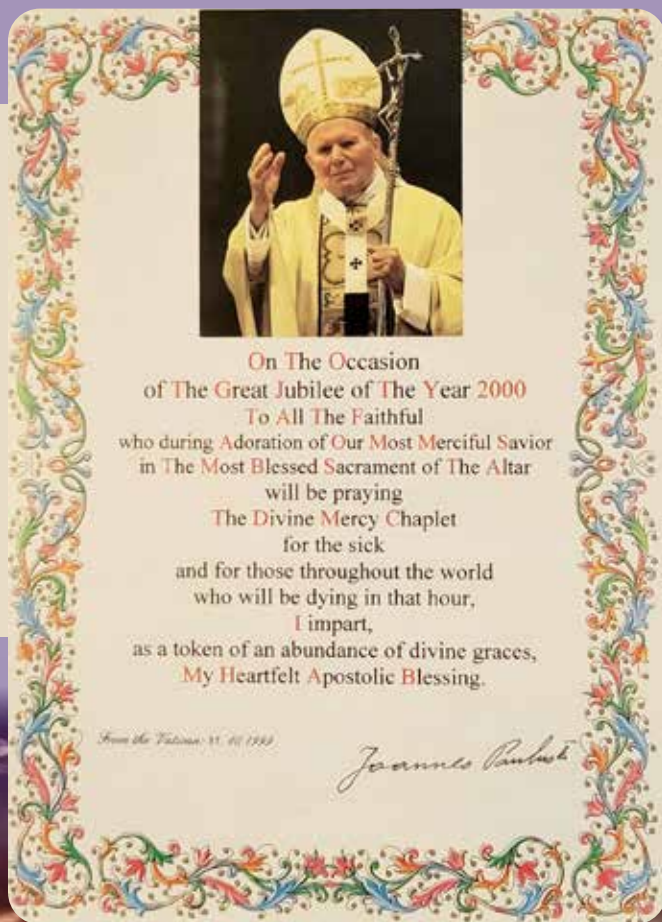
Jesus is waiting for you

Come adore our Lord at the Mother of America Adoration Chapel at the Marian Center for Peace. Both substitute and full-time adorers are welcome and needed! Go to adorationpro.org/mother & sign up for one of our open hours or to be a sub.

Special Apostolic Blessing Available

Did you know that if you pray a Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the sick and the dying in the Marian Center Chapel you receive a special Apostolic Blessing from Saint Pope John Paul II? The Marian Center for Peace is one of over 400 adoration chapels worldwide registered with the Eucharistic Apostles of the Divine Mercy to receive this blessing. Many chapel adorers already pray this devotion regularly for friends and relatives who are sick or dying.

On the occasion of the Great Jubilee of the year 2000, the Holy Father, Pope John Paul II, by a personally signed parchment, imparted a Special Apostolic Blessing to all the faithful, who during Adoration of Our Most Merciful Savior in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar, pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for the sick and for those throughout the world who will be dying in that hour. A copy of this parchment is framed and hanging inside the chapel.



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