

Dear Padre,

When I was young, we never had eucharistic devotions. Why are they so popular now?

Prior to the Second Vatican Council, many Catholics found solid food for their spiritual lives in eucharistic devotions, which include visiting the Blessed Sacrament (eucharistic adoration), attending Forty Hours devotion, and assisting at benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

However, as the modern liturgical movement began picking up steam, scholars and theologians began questioning the amount of energy and attention going toward eucharistic devotion. They urged us to focus our spirituality more clearly on the Mass—the action of the sacred liturgy and the Eucharist itself—and to understand that all eucharistic devotions outside of the sacred liturgy are meant to direct us back to the action of the Mass, the eucharistic sacrifice, and its high point of Communion.

The drop-off in eucharistic devotions after Vatican II can be positively understood as an attempt to take the insights of liturgical reform seriously and develop a more liturgical piety. At the same time, the resurgence of eucharistic adoration is a worthy retrieval of a beloved practice that both scholars and the faithful understand as complementing a full, conscious, and active participation in the sacred liturgy that is the “source and summit” of our lives.



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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

We do well to spend time in adoration before the Eucharist....Let us allow Jesus the Living Bread to heal us of our self-absorption, open our hearts to self-giving, liberate us from our rigidity and self-concern, free us from the paralyzing slavery of defending our image, and inspire us to follow him wherever he would lead us.

HOMILY, BUDAPEST, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

Calendar

- Monday**
AUGUST 8
St. Dominic, Priest
Ez 1:2–5, 24–28c
Mt 17:22–27
- Tuesday**
AUGUST 9
Weekday
Ez 2:8—3:4
Mt 18:1–5, 10, 12–14
- Wednesday**
AUGUST 10
St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
2 Cor 9:6–10
Jn 12:24–26
- Thursday**
AUGUST 11
St. Clare, Virgin
Ez 12:1–12
Mt 18:21—19:1
- Friday**
AUGUST 12
Weekday
Ez 16:1–15, 60, 63
or 16:59–63
Mt 19:3–12
- Saturday**
AUGUST 13
Weekday
Ez 18:1–10, 13b, 30–32
Mt 19:13–15
- Sunday**
AUGUST 14
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 38:4–6, 8–10
Heb 12:1–4
Lk 12:49–53

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August 7, 2022



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Holy Spirit Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of August 6 – August 12

- Sat 6:00 pm NO MASS
- Sun 11:00 am Beau Brown (Birthday)
- Sun 6:00 pm Mark Martin (Birthday)
- Mon 8:00 am NO MASS
- Tue 8:00 am NO MASS
- Wed 8:00 am Communion Service
- Thr 8:00 am NO MASS
- Fri 8:00 am NO MASS

Christ the King Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of August 6 – August 12

- Sat 4:00 pm †John & Delores Radich
- Sun 9:15 am Parishioners Living & Deceased
- Tue 6:00 pm Adoration & Communion Service

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before and after daily Mass, and by Appointment
1st Friday Adoration – 8:30am- 6:00pm
 at Holy Spirit in St. Patrick’s Chapel
 Adoration at Christ the King – Tuesday 5:30pm-6pm

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