

Message to Adorers

Thank you for coming to adore Jesus in The Holy Eucharist. It is wonderful that so many parishioners are taking advantage of having the opportunity to spend time with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

We have been blessed abundantly to be able to sustain 24/7 Eucharistic Adoration at St. Agnes. The graces Jesus is showering on each of us adorers personally and as a parish as a whole is truly indispensable. Let us remember our parish priests by name during our hours of Adoration. Without each of them, we would not have the gift of Adoration.

To ensure that Adoration at St. Agnes can continue, we really need more people to commit to at least one hour a week. I know that many people are concerned that if they commit to a specific hour each week, a scheduling conflict may arise in the future where they may not be able to make their scheduled hour. Please do not let this keep you from signing up for a specific time. We have Adoration Captains who help people find substitutes for their holy hour whenever a scheduling conflict arises. We have 3 captains for each day of the week and they are doing a terrific job helping our scheduled adorers.

The venerable Bishop Fulton Sheen was a great advocate for the daily holy hour. Oftentimes, when someone would protest and say that they didn't have time to make a holy hour he would reply--- "then you need to make time for two hours". With his great humor he reminds us that scheduling time to spend with Our Lord is the best way to restore peace in our busy lives. When we make time for the Lord---putting Him first--- He blesses our sacrifice in so many wonderful ways. Jesus makes us the first priority in His life. Shouldn't we do the same?

It really is a sacrifice to commit an hour of our time each week to the Lord. But the rewards and graces that He gives us for making this sacrifice will bear incredible fruit in the lives of our families and our parish. Committing an hour of our precious time to Adoration is like spiritual weightlifting. When we first begin, it is so difficult. The more we do it and the more we build it into our daily routines, the easier it becomes.

We need you!!! You are important to keeping Adoration at St. Agnes going! Each scheduled adorer is a link in the chain of our adoration family. As each new person signs up for a specific hour, our adoration family grows and becomes stronger. Many people have registered on the website and have been faithfully stopping in and visiting Our Lord. It is great to see so many coming to be with Jesus. However, if we do not get enough people to commit to a specific hour each week, the chain breaks apart. Unscheduled adorers are great but scheduled adorers are really necessary. They are the ones who are making adoration possible!