

Eucharistic Adoration: Parish Marks 10 Years

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There are a number of evangelical Protestants who have signed an agreement with Roman Catholics with regard to unification with Rome (Evangelicals and Catholics Together). Further, Rick Warren has stated that he is willing to form an alliance with the Roman Catholic Church to establish his PEACE plan.

Based on the following article titled “*Eucharistic Adoration: Parish Marks 10 Years*”, the Roman Catholic Church continues to endorse Eucharistic adoration, a practice that promotes idolatry. It is a fact that Roman Catholicism teaches that a wafer becomes the "body of Christ" following the act of transubstantiation that only a Roman Catholic priest can perform. This wafer is then placed in a container and put on display. The faithful then adore what they believe is Jesus (a wafer).

Jesus died for our sins and His blood was shed. He said we are to “remember” who He is and what He has done. We are to take the bread and the wine as a remembrance. He did not say we should worship the bread by making the bread into the presence of God.

It would seem to me that any person who claims to be a Bible believing Christian would want to set the pope right with regards to Eucharistic adoration. I pray that the pope would respond by proclaiming that the gospel according to the Word of God.

February 14 - Eucharistic adoration: Parish marks 10 years (Excerpts)

Full article: http://www.catholic.org/diocese/diocese_story.php?id=26847

CLARENDON HILLS, Ill. (Catholic Explorer) - A myriad of believers chanted as they participated in an outdoor eucharistic procession Feb. 3 on the grounds of Notre Dame Parish in Clarendon Hills. The prayerful procession marked the 10-year anniversary of the suburban parish's offering of extended eucharistic adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Bishop J. Peter Sartain carried the golden monstrance that contained the exposed Eucharist as he walked alongside the others.

The Eucharist is exposed in the monstrance for a total of about 70 hours during week days in the parish's eucharistic chapel, according to parishioner Philip Dalen. Nearly 200 scheduled adorers volunteer one hour per week to pray near the Blessed Sacrament inside the chapel, noted Philip. The idea is to maintain a

presence in the sanctuary throughout the entire time the Eucharist is exposed on the altar, he said.

Jesus loves the human race "so much that he wanted to stay with us," said Anna Marie. Through Christ's institution of the Eucharist "he found a way to be with us," she said. "The Lord is really there," she added, talking about God's presence in the Eucharist.

Other surrounding faith communities, including Holy Trinity Parish in Westmont, Visitation Parish in Elmhurst and St. Isaac Jogues Parish in Hinsdale, offer adoration around the clock every day or extended adoration periods throughout the week. **"I think it's on the rise everywhere,"** Philip said.



Describing the experience of adoration, Philip said, "You get a sense of quiet, calm, peace and joy."

The adorers are continuing to encourage teens and young adults to participate in the chapel, Philip mentioned. They have jobs and family obligations, he said. "We just want them to know that they are welcome anytime" to meditate on the gift of the Eucharist, to give thanks for their blessings or to ask the Lord for help, he added.

"It's not a chore to be there. It's a privilege to sit before the Lord," said Patricia Laffey.