

Promoting and Defending Faithful Catholic Education



This newsletter of The Cardinal Newman Society features projects submitted by individuals and organizations as part of the Society's Task Force on Eucharistic Education.

#### PROJECT OF THE MONTH

## The Most Holy Eucharist: The Riches of His Glorious Inheritance

Diocese of Venice, Fla.

The Department of Education within the Diocese of Venice, Florida annually selects a theme as the focus for the development of the devotional lives of the students. This is a diocesan-wide project that provides the necessary resources for teachers and their students to participate. "This is intended as a way to supplement religion classes and a way to teach our students different forms of prayer and spiritual leadership."

Bishop Dewane has selected the devotion to the Most Holy Eucharist as the focus for the year. This theme supports the National Eucharistic Revival, led by the USCCB and the Eucharistic Congress led by the Diocese of Venice on March 25th.



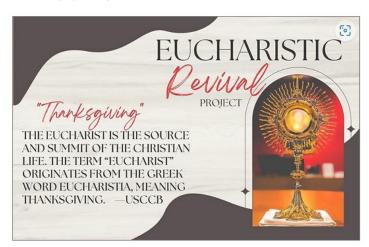
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### **Music of the Eucharist: Moved by Beauty**

University of Mary, N.Dak.



"The Early Church Fathers recognized that music was a powerful tool to convert the hearts and minds of the faithful and draw them to Christ. Music has the capacity to help us understand more fully and gratefully, the mystery and truth of our faith."

The University of St. Mary's Capella group has a particular mission and ministry to draw others more fully into the beauty of the Eucharist. In 2023 they have begun a two-year project, "devoting rehearsal time and resources to record a collection of music that focuses on the Eucharist. This includes chant, antiphons, hymns, and polyphony from a wide range of years and styles." They are planning a pilgrimage to Spain and France where they will sing and record their beautiful music on the sites of Eucharistic Miracles in adoration of Christ's true presence in the Eucharist.

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## **About the Task Force for Eucharistic Education**

The Task Force for Eucharistic Education is an initiative of The Cardinal Newman Society to help solicit, identify, and promote Catholic schools' efforts to revive Eucharistic literacy, liturgy, devotion, and living.

# SEE OUR OTHER PROJECTS

Currently there are over **60 projects** submitted as part of the Task Force. Check them out here!

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#### **Eucharistic Procession**

Beckman Catholic High School, Iowa

On January 29, 2023 Beckman Catholic Staff and families started Catholic Schools week with their first ever Eucharistic Procession throughout the school! The purpose of this procession was to emphasize to students and families "the central role of Christ in every aspect of school life and to pray for continued guidance and blessings."

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# PREVIOUSLY FEATURED PROJECTS



#### **Evening Lecture and Adoration**

Aquinas College, Nashville, Tenn.

Often a speaker or a homily or even a good article about the Eucharist helps instill a sense of love to this beautiful gift that Our Lord has given us.

Aquinas College in Nashville, TN. invited Father Augustine Wetta, OSB, to give a presentation on the Eucharist entitled: "The Envy of Angels: How to Make the Most of Your Eucharistic Journey." His talk was followed by a time of Eucharistic Adoration and concluded with Benediction. The

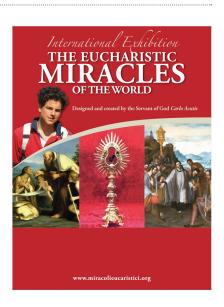
Evening Lecture and Adoration were promoted to the college community as well as the local community.

Individuals could come for the presentation, Adoration, or both. What a simple yet effective means of bringing a school, college, or parish community together to focus on the Truth, beauty, and goodness of the Eucharist!

## **Eucharistic Miracles Presentation** and Exhibit

Faith Based Communications, Colo.

For the past 10 years, **Faith Based Communications** has been dedicated to educating Catholic adults and young people regarding the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. They exhibit the Carlo Acutis created and Vatican sponsored **International Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles** of the World, accompanied by a presentation on Eucharistic Miracles. They travel all over North America with the exhibit and presentations strongly encouraging participation in Eucharistic Adoration.



Faith Based Communications has two other projects that are offered to parishes they visit. One is on the Sacred Cloths of the Passion (Shroud of Turin, Sudarium of Oviedo, and Tunic of Argenteuil). The other is on Life after Life. The Life after Life presentation provides a huge potential for people to change the way they are living their lives.

#### How to Start a Schola Choir

Benedict Institute of San Francisco Archdiocese

Archbishop Cordileone of San Francisco founded the Benedict XVI Institute for SacredMusic and Divine Worship within his archdiocese to **open the door of Beauty to God.** The Institute purses this mission by providing "practical resources for more beautiful and reverent liturgies and energizing a Catholic culture of the arts."

One such example of this is a lesson on how to start a Scola Choir. Authored by Diane Silva, the founding chairman of the sacred music department at Ave Maria University in Ave Maria, Fla., shows that it doesn't take expert musicians to "pull off" Gregorian chant. "This is the same music that was sung in thousands of ordinary parishes over thousands of years by people who not only did not know how to read music, they didn't know how to read," Silva explains.

### Eucharistic Miracles Lecture and First Friday Holy Hours

Couer du Christ Academy, Idaho

Coeur du Christ Academy in Coeur d'Alene, ID, presents a wonderful opportunity for students, parents, and friends of the Academy to attend a **scholarly lecture on Eucharistic** 



<u>Miracles</u>. The Eucharistic Miracles program is a family-friendly event open to individuals of all ages, but specifically tailored for high school-aged youth and their families. Coeur du Christ Academy anticipates approximately 200 attendees.

Additionally, because the Coeur du Christ's motto is Christus in Corde Omnium (Christ at the Heart of everything), the Academy also emphasizes the importance of First Friday devotions including Mass, Confessions, Holy Hour, and the Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus before the Blessed Sacrament. Following morning Mass and Adoration, Coeur du Christ Academy hosts religious and academics as guest lecturers to present a scholarly or spiritual formational presentation to the students.





The first photo (left) is from the Eucharistic Miracles lecture, the photo of the students in Adoration (right) is from a First Friday devotion, and lastly the image of students kneeling before the statue of Christ was from a recent fundraiser (top).

#### **Eucharistic Literacy Project**

Holy Child Catholic School, Tijeras, N.Mex.

Our school is hosting a weekly Holy Hour. We have purchased a small Eucharistic library with resources for conducting a Holy Hour. We have provided digital resources as well to help people learn the basics about Eucharistic Adoration.

"My inspiration came from the fact that I know that the real power behind any school initiative comes from Jesus Himself. Real transformation happens when we sit in front of Him in the Blessed Eucharist. Only then can He renew our minds, heal our hearts and

qive us the inspiration and resources to have the school that He desires." (Janice Martinez,



Principal)

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at St. Raymond of Pe	ñafort
for you and for all the in	tentions
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Date:	

May the heart of Jesus, in the Most Blessed acrament, be praised, adored, and loved ith grateful affection, at every moment, n all the tabernacles of the world, to the end of time. Amen



#### **Prayer Cards for Eucharistic** Adoration

St. Raymond of Peñefort Catholic Church, Springfield, Va.

We all traditionally offer and send a Mass card to someone for multiple reasons – birthday, anniversary, illness. St. Raymond's Catholic Church in Springfield, Va., has made prayer cards available for those making a holy hour for someone else.

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