

A Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration (PEA) ministry will begin at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, West Nyack, NY on Sunday, October 6, 2013, by procession, after the 12:00 noon Mass, presided by Fr. Robert McKeon.

In this "Year of Faith", what better way can we show our love for God but through adoring him in Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration? What is Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration? Perpetual Adoration is a Eucharistic devotion where members of the parish or other nearby parishes come to unite by offering one hour of adoration before the Most Blessed Sacrament, either during the day or during the night, seven days a week.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is a special way in which we directly face God through the blessing of the Holy Eucharist. A chapel is being readied in the rectory of St. Francis of Assisi, West Nyack, in which the Holy Eucharist will be directly displayed to all who come. The Holy Eucharist will be displayed in a monstrance and not locked away in a tabernacle. It is by this display that we have a direct and intimate encounter with Jesus Christ himself. As Catholics we believe that, in the Eucharist, Jesus is truly present, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.

We are in constant need of God's grace. During our hour, we take the time from the busyness of our lives and truly listen to what God's will is for us. Adoration is food for the mind and the will. It centers our efforts and thoughts, guides us through adversity, and brings clarity to our purpose here on earth. It is in having these direct conversations with Jesus that we become truly free.

Many blessings have been bestowed on parishes that support a Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration ministry. Increases in religious vocations, return of lapsed Catholics, enrichment of family life, increases in spiritual fervor, and a greater sense of community, centered on the Real Presence, are some of the many blessings attained through a Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration ministry.

You are invited to take part in this beautiful encounter with God. It is through this form of prayer that many blessings are bestowed. Please consider this for yourself. If you are interested in devoting one hour a week, any hour that fits your schedule, please contact the rectory (845) 634-4957, or complete a Contact Sheet and deposit it in the Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration box in the narthex of the Church or Fax it to the Rectory Office at (845) 639-6629.

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