

even though their patience was somewhat taxed. Furthermore, the prior, having obtained permission from the saint, communicated his secret to another father, to whom he said:

"The reason why our Father John says Mass so slowly is because God reveals to him the profound mysteries that are accomplished in the Mass – mysteries so sublime that no human intelligence is capable of grasping them. The secrets he disclosed to me concerning them were of so tremendous a nature that I was overwhelmed with awe. It is certain that Christ frequently manifests Himself visibly to this father, speaking with him as one speaks to a friend, and showing him His five sacred wounds, from which proceeds a light of exceeding brightness, which, shed upon the saint, quickens both body and soul, so that he experiences no need of earthly nourishment. He also beholds the body of Christ shining like the sun at noonday, and perceives its infinite beauty and glory. Such are the lofty and divine things he is privileged to know, mysteries which it is not given to man to fathom, much less to utter. Since I have thus been made aware of the immense benefits accruing to mankind by the celebrating or assisting at Mass I have made a firm resolution never to omit saying or hearing Mass, and to do my utmost to induce others to do the same."

From these noteworthy words which the prior uttered we see clearly that solemn mysteries are contained in the holy Mass, and we ought to reverence it most profoundly.

The Incredible Mass – An Explanation of the Holy Mass by Fr. Martin von Cochem

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St. Mel – Flushing, NY

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St. Louise de Marillac -- Pittsburg, PA

Mr. Ronald Casket
St. Louise de Marillac -- Pittsburg, PA

Mr. Anthony Dralle
St. Louise de Marillac -- Pittsburg, PA

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Ben Thelen
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Gerald Kuffel
St. Joseph -- Waite Park, MN

Arno Adams
St. Joseph -- Waite Park, MN

Tom Dunleavy
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Communion Thanksgiving: Jesus sits in our soul as on a throne of grace. St. Alphonsus di Liguori

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... in His Presence

Mysteries of Hope and Love

***** Jesus on the Cross:** Let us go out to the battle with great courage, looking at Jesus crucified, who from His cross offers us His assistance, the victory, and crown.

***** neglect:** In past times we fell into sin because we left off looking at the wounds and the pains endured by Our Redeemer, and so we did not have recourse to Him for help.

***** means to victory:** But if for the future we set before our eyes all He has suffered for love of us, and how He ever stands ready to assist us when we have recourse to Him, it is certain that we shall not be conquered by our enemies.

***** with All Trust:** St. Teresa assures us, that if we do not place all our confidence in God, all our own exertions will be of little or no avail. She says, "All our exertions are of little use, if we do not give up entirely all trust in ourselves, and place it altogether in God."

Beyond Comprehension: Oh, what two great mysteries of hope and love for us are the Passion of Jesus Christ and the Sacrament of the Altar! mysteries, which we could have never believed, had not faith assured us of them.

Please take and keep this letter and reflect on its contents during the month in your visits to the Blessed Sacrament and see that your heart and mind will open to His grace into knowledge and love of God, Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

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As Mysteries, Jesus Gives Us:

*** **Redemption & Salvation:** That God Almighty should deign to become man, shed all His blood, and die of sorrow upon a cross, and why? To pay for our sins, and gain salvation for us rebellious worms!

*** **Body & Blood as Eucharist:** And then His own very body, once sacrificed upon the Cross for us, this He vouchsafes to give us for our food, in order to become wholly united with us!

Love All Consuming: O God, how should not these two mysteries consume with love the hearts of all men! And what sinner is there, be he ever so abandoned, who can despair of pardon, if he repent of the evil he has done, when he sees a God so full of love for men, and so inclined to do them good?

All Our Hope in Jesus: Hence St. Bonaventure, full of confidence, said, "I will have great confidence, firmly hoping that He who has done and suffered so much for my salvation will deny me nothing that I have need of." How can He refuse to give me the graces necessary for my salvation, Who has done and suffered so much to save me?

Our Most Holy Mother, Mary:

Remedy In All Our Afflictions. In thee we find relief in our miserable life. Thou art "the solace of our pilgrimage," as St. Laurence Justinian calls thee. In thee, in a word, we find divine grace and God Himself, for St. Bonaventure calls thee "the throne of God's grace"; and St. Proclus, "the bridge by which God descends to men"; that happy bridge by which God, who had been driven to a distance by our sins, returns to dwell by His grace in our souls.

The Holy Eucharist by St. Alphonsus di Liguori

"**Holy Mass,**" wrote St. Bonaventure, "is an achievement of God wherein He places before our view all the love He has borne us. It is, in a certain way, a combination of all the benefits bestowed upon us."

Therefore St. John Bosco earnestly exhorts us: "Take great care to go to Holy Mass, even on weekdays; and for such a cause be willing to put up with some inconvenience. Thereby you will obtain every kind of blessing from the Lord."

Jesus Our Eucharistic Love by Fr. Stefano M. Manelli, F.F.I.

Sum of all Spiritual Exercises

The Mass is the most holy, sacred, and **most sovereign Sacrament and Sacrifice**. It is the center of the Christian religion, the **heart of devotion**, and the **soul of piety**, It is an ineffable mystery that comprises within itself the **abyss of divine charity** and by which God really communicates Himself to us and in a special manner **replenishes our souls with His graces and favors**.

When prayer is united to this divine Sacrifice it becomes so **unspeakably efficacious** as to cause the soul to flow with heavenly delights, "leaning upon her Beloved." He fills her with so much spiritual sweetness that she resembles, as it is said in the Canticle, "a pillar of smoke, of aromatic perfume and allspices, of myrrh and frankincense, and of all the powders of the perfumer."

Endeavor, therefore, to **assist at Holy Mass every day** that you may jointly with the priest offer up the Sacrifice of your Redeemer to God, His Father, for yourself and for the whole Church. "*The angels,*" says St. John Chrysostom, "*always attend in great numbers in order to honor this adorable mystery.*" By associating ourselves with them, with one and the same intention, we cannot but receive many favorable influences from such a society. The choirs of the Church triumphant and those of the Church militant unite themselves to our Lord in this divine action, so that with Him, in Him, and through Him, they may **ravish the heart of God the Father** and make His mercy all our own. What happiness it is to a soul devoutly to contribute her affections in order to obtain so precious and so desirable a treasure!

Introduction to the Devout Life by St. Francis de Sales

Mysteries of The Mass

Many indeed are the wonders and signs Christ has done upon earth, but among them all He has done nothing greater or more marvelous than the institution of the holy Mass at the Last Supper. It is an epitome, so to speak, of all the wonders God has wrought, and in itself so replete with mysteries that St. Bonaventure does not hesitate to say of it: "The holy Mass is as full of mysteries as the ocean is full of drops, or as the sky is full of stars, and as the courts of heaven are full of angels. For in it so many mysteries are daily performed that I should be at a loss to say whether greater or loftier wonders have ever been accomplished by divine omnipotence."

St. John and The Mass

We read in the life of St. John of Facundo, a noted member of the Augustinian Order, that he never on any account omitted saying Mass, and in fact, urged by his great longing to offer the holy sacrifice and receive Our Lord, he said it every morning at the earliest hour possible. He was, however, so slow in celebrating that the server used to go away and leave him at the altar, and at last no one could be got to serve his Mass.

The saint then went to the prior, and entreated him to order the brothers to do so. But the prior spoke sharply to him, saying, "Why do you give the brothers so much trouble by being so long over your Mass? I shall rather enjoin upon you henceforth to say Mass like other priests." John did as he was commanded, but obedience cost him so much that he went again to the prior, and, throwing himself at his feet, begged him to withdraw his command. The prior would not consent to do this until John had confided to him, in confession, the reasons which made it impossible for him to say Mass more quickly. Having heard them, he no longer hesitated to tell the brothers that they must serve Father John's Mass,