

O most rich, O most wise, and most merciful Queen, I see that thou knowest far better than I do the wants of my soul and that thou lovest me far more than I can love thee! Know, then, the grace for which I now ask thee; obtain for me the grace which thou knowest to be the most expedient for my soul.

Ejaculation: My God, please grant me the graces which Mary asks Thee for me.

The Holy Eucharist Visit (24) by St. Alphonsus de Liguori

St. Charles Borromeo, The Faithful Servant of Mary

We read in the "Life of St. Charles Borromeo" that of all the virtues that distinguished him, there was none so conspicuous as his devotion to the Mother of God.

Not satisfied with reciting daily, on his knees, the Rosary and the Office of Our Lady, he likewise fasted on bread and water on the vigils of her festivals.

No one was more exact than he to recite the Angelus whenever the bell announced the hour for that holy prayer. Even when travelling on the road, and during tempestuous weather, he would devoutly kneel down by the wayside and say it on his knees.

In his cathedral church he built an altar, and instituted a confraternity in honor of Mary's holy Rosary. On the first Sunday of every month he organized a procession, in which a magnificent banner of Our Lady was borne in the midst of great pomp. He caused her to be constituted the patroness and special protector of all the works of charity which he established. He also ordained throughout his whole diocese that as often as the name of Mary was pronounced, she should be honored by some outward sign of veneration.

In order to make all the people confided to his care understand that it was through

Mary and by her assistance that they could hope to enter the glory of Heaven for she is called by the Church "The Gate of Heaven" he ordained that there should be placed near the entrance of every parish church under his jurisdiction a statue representing the most holy Mother of God.

The Catechism in Example by Rev. D. Chisholm

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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

Charity Only Appears

Divinity Is Hid: *Verily Thou art a hidden God. (Isa. xlv. 15.)* In no other work of divine love are these words so fully verified as in this adorable mystery of the Most Holy Sacrament, where God is entirely hidden. When the Eternal Word took flesh, He hid His divinity, and appeared as a man on earth;

Humanity Also Is Hid: but remaining with us in this Sacrament, He hides even His humanity, and, as remarks **St. Bernard**, appears only under the form of bread, to show thereby the tenderness of the love which He bears us: "The divinity is hid, the humanity is hid; the **bowels of charity alone appear.**"

Christ: Nothing but Love: O my Beloved Redeemer, at the sight of the excessive tenderness You have for men, I am beside myself, my Lord, and know not what to say. In this Sacrament You go so far for their love as to hide Your majesty and lower Your glory; You go so far as even to consume and annihilate Your Divine life.

Ingratitude For Love: And while You are on the altar You seem to have nothing else to do than to love men, and to show them the

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.

love which You bear them. And what gratitude do they show You in return, O great Son of God?

Affections:

O Jesus, O too great lover of men, allow me to say so, for I see that Thou preferest their advantage to Thine own glory.

Indifference: And didst Thou not know to how much contempt this loving design of Thine would expose Thee? I see, and before me Thou didst see it full well Thyself, that the greater part of men adore Thee not, neither will they acknowledge Thee for what Thou art in this Sacrament I know that these very men have gone so far as to trample on consecrated Hosts, that they have thrown them on the ground, into water, and into fire.

Aspiration: Accept, O Eternal Father, this scanty honor, which I, the most miserable of men, now offer Thee in reparation of the outrages offered to Thy Son in the Most Holy Sacrament; accept it in union with that infinite honor which Jesus Christ gave Thee on the cross, and which he daily gives Thee in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

O my Sacramental Jesus, would that I could fill all men with love for the Most Blessed Sacrament!

Ejaculation: O amiable Jesus, make Thyself known, make Thyself loved!

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Dialogue to Jesus on Indifference

My Jesus, how little these people talk about You. They talk about everything but You, Jesus. And if they talk so little [about You], it is quite probable that they do not think about You at all. The whole world interests them; but about You, their Creator, there is silence. Jesus, I am sad to see this great indifference and ingratitude of creatures. O my Jesus, I want to love You for them and to make atonement to You, by my love.

Diary #804 by St. Maria "Faustina" Kowalska

Belief in The Real Presence of The Eucharist

Jesus has left us the Eucharist as a mystery of faith for us to believe with our whole mind and our whole heart.

When the Angelic Doctor, **St. Thomas Aquinas**, was brought Holy Viaticum, he rose up out of the ashes where he had been laid, got on his knees, and said, "I would not believe with greater assurance that He Whom I am to receive is the Son of the Eternal God, even if I had a clear enlightenment about it a thousand times clearer than that of faith."

Pope Gregory XV declared that **St. Teresa of Jesus** "saw Our Lord Jesus Christ, present in the Host so distinctly with the eyes of her spirit that she said she did not begrudge the happy lot of the Blessed who behold the Lord face to face in Heaven."

And **St. Dominic Savio** once wrote in his diary, "I need nothing in this world in order to be happy. I only need to see Jesus in Heaven, Whom I now see and adore on the altar with the eyes of faith."

It is with this faith that we ought to approach the Holy Eucharist and keep ourselves in that Divine Presence, loving Jesus in this Sacrament.

Rev. Stefano Manelli

The Devout Student

Claude de Pelletier was the son of a man who occupied a high position in the world. As soon as he had learned to know God he seemed to be altogether penetrated with love and gratitude for Him, and his only thought was how he could make himself more and more agreeable in His eyes.

The sweetest moments of the day were those that he could spend at the foot of the altar.

If in his walks he passed near a church, he would instantly recall to mind that God dwelt there, and he could not pass without going in to offer Him his homage.

His first act on entering was to adore Jesus Christ in His humble tabernacle, and to offer Him all the affections of his heart. The profound respect he had for his Divine Lord's dwelling-place on earth could be read upon his countenance, and recognized by his exterior reverence.

He would generally kneel for a few moments before the altar, and, having there performed his first acts of adoration, faith and love, he would rise and place himself where no one would disturb him, and would remain immovable as long as time would permit in prayer and meditation. Sometimes he would kneel for two or three hours at a time, especially on festivals and the days on which he had received Holy Communion.

This amiable young man died in the year 1685, at the age of seventeen, having attained in those few years great sanctity. Truly might be said of him what has been said of so many others of God's Saints: "Having been taken away after a few years, he yet lived a long life."

My child, what a beautiful example for your imitation! Like him, have a great respect for the beauty of God's house and the place where His glory dwelleth.

Catechism in Examples by Rev. D. Chisholm

Visit to the Blessed Virgin Mary

My most powerful Lady, in the midst of my misgivings as to my eternal salvation, how great is the confidence which I feel when I have recourse to thee; and when I think that thou, my Mother, art, on the one hand, so rich in graces that

St. John Damascene calls thee "a sea of graces";

St. Bonaventure "the assemblage of graces," that is, the source in which all graces are congregated;

St. Ephrem, "a fountain of grace and of all consolation"; and

St. Bernard, "the fullness of every good"