

a church open, and many people entering it.

Thinking that it was a Catholic Church, he also went in, hoping to hear Mass, and to receive Holy Communion. He had not knelt long when he saw that it belonged to heretics. This filled him with sadness, not only because he saw the House of God profaned by heretical worship, but also because he knew that he would be deprived of Holy Communion.

And as he knelt there weeping, behold, there came into the church a group of angels, who were seen by none but himself, and one of them reverently gave him Holy Communion. When this was done, they're turned to Heaven, and the young Saint was left alone with His God.

It is universally believed that the youthful Saint received these miraculous favors from God on account of his virginal purity.

### St. Thomas in the Thunderstorm

One day a terrible storm broke over the city where **St. Thomas of Aquinas** dwelt. Full of panic, the religious ran about in the cloisters, looking for a place of shelter. **St. Thomas** also left his cell, but it was to take shelter where his heart told him he would be most secure in the church at the foot of the tabernacle.

Ascending the steps of the altar, he lovingly placed his head against the door of the tabernacle, and waited there till the storm passed. He then returned to his cell and peacefully resumed his study and prayers.

So also, my child, when the **terrible storms of your passions** arise within you, or when the **temptations of the world** press upon you, run for shelter to the tabernacle; it is there that, like **St. Thomas**, you will find that calm he felt when everyone else was in panic, and, like him, you will, when the temptation is over, return calmly to your duties.

My dear friend in Christ, if you were to visit Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament only for a quarter of an hour each day,

from how many **trials and hardships** you would be delivered,  
from how many **temptations and attacks** of the devil you would be preserved,  
how **few sins** you would commit,  
and how much more **consolation and peace of heart** you would enjoy!

*The Catechism in Examples by Rev. D. Chisholm*

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**Martin Gonzales (OLMC)**

Our Lady of Mt. Cannel -- Pueblo, CO

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

## NAS Letter January 2021

... in His Presence

### Jesus, Our Shepherd

**Love - Always Present:** Behold, I am with you all days, even unto the consummation of the world. (Matt. 28, 20.) Thus our loving Shepherd, who has given His life for us who are His sheep, would not separate Himself from us by death. Behold me, He says, beloved sheep; I am always with you; for you I have remained on earth in this Sacrament; here you find Me whenever you please, to help and console you by my presence: I will not leave you until the end of the world, as long as you are on earth.

**Jesus Remains with Us:** The Bridegroom, says **St. Peter of Alcantara**, wished to leave his bride company that she might not remain alone during so long an absence; and therefore He left this Sacrament, in which He Himself, the best companion He could leave her, remains.

**Jesus: All Mine:** My sweetest Lord, my most amiable Savior, I am now visiting Thee on this altar; but Thou returnest me the visit with far other love when Thou enterest my soul in the Holy Communion. Thou art then not only present to me, but Thou becomest my food;

*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.*

Thou unitest and givest Thy whole self to me, so that I can then say with truth, My Jesus, Thou art now all mine.

**Jesus, Please Make Me All Yours:** Since, then, Thou givest Thyself all to me, it is reasonable that I should give myself all to Thee. I am a worm, and Thou art God. O God of love! O love of my soul! When shall I find myself all Thine, in deeds, and not only in words? Thou canst do this; by the merits of Thy blood increase my confidence that I may at once obtain this grace of Thee that I may find myself all Thine, and in nothing mine own.

**My Desire To Love Jesus:** Thou graciously hear, O Lord, the prayers of all; hear now the prayers of a soul that indeed desires really to love Thee. I desire to love Thee with all my strength, I desire to obey Thee in all that Thou wilt, without self-interest, without consolations, without reward. I wish to serve Thee through love, only to please Thee, only to content Thy heart, which is so passionately enamored of me. My reward will be to love Thee.

**Affections:** O beloved Son of the Eternal Father, take possession of my liberty, of my will, of all that I possess, and of my entire self, and give me Thyself. I love Thee, I seek after Thee, I sigh after Thee; I desire Thee, I desire Thee, I desire Thee!

**Ejaculation:** My Jesus, make me all Thine!

**Supplication to Our Lady:** O our own most amiable Lady, the whole Church proclaims and salutes thee as "our hope"! Thou, then, who art the hope of all, be also my hope. **St Bernard** called thee "the whole ground of his hope," and said: "Let him who despairs hope in thee." Thus also will I address thee: My own Mary, thou savest even those who are in despair; in thee I place all my hope.

**Ejaculation to Mary:** Mary, Mother of God, pray to Jesus for me.

Visit VII by St. Alphonsus de Liguori

## Visits To The Most Holy Sacrament

**Throne of Love and Mercy:** Our holy faith teaches us, and we are bound to believe, that in the consecrated Host Jesus Christ is really present under the species of bread. But we must also understand that He is thus present on our altars as on a throne of love and mercy, to dispense graces and there to show us the love which He bears us, by being pleased to dwell night and day hidden in the midst of us.

**Gentle Prompting to the Divine Presence:** It was a well-known fact that our Holy Mother Church instituted the feast of Corpus Christi with a solemn octave, and that she celebrated it with the many usual processions, and so frequent expositions of this Most Holy Sacrament, that we may thereby be moved gratefully to acknowledge and honor this loving Presence and dwelling of Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of the Altar, by our devotions, thanksgivings, and tender affections of our souls.

**Visits -- Most Agreeable to God:** Certainly amongst all devotions, after that of receiving the sacraments, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament holds the first place, is the most pleasing to God, and the most useful to ourselves.

**Only in His Presence:** *Taste and see how sweet is the Lord.* Only try this devotion, and by experience you will see the great benefit that you will derive from it. Be assured that the time you will thus spend **with devotion** before this most divine Sacrament will be the most profitable to you in life, and the source of your greatest consolation in death and in eternity

Visit, Introduction by St. Alphonsus de Liguori

## Movement of Our Hearts to God

Love is a mystery that transforms everything it touches into things beautiful and pleasing to God.

The love of God makes a soul free. She is like a queen; she knows no slavish compulsion; she sets about everything with great freedom of soul, because the love which dwells in her incites her

to action. Everything that surrounds her makes her know that only God Himself is worthy of her love.

A soul in love with God and immersed in Him approaches her duties with the same dispositions as she does Holy Communion and carries out the simplest tasks with great care, under the loving gaze of God.

She is not troubled if, after some time, something turns out to be less successful. She remains calm, because at the time of the action she had done what was in her power.

When it happens that the living presence of God, which she enjoys almost constantly, leaves her, she then tries to continue living in lively faith. Her soul understands that there are periods of rest and periods of battle.

Through her will, she is always with God. Her soul, like a knight, is well trained in battle; from afar it sees where the foe is hiding and is ready for battle. She knows she is not alone - God is her strength.

Diary #890 by St. Maria Kowalska

## Holy Communion From Angels

When **St. Stanislaus** was about sixteen years old he became very ill, and thinking that he was about to die, he asked the master of the house in which he lodged to go for a priest, that he might receive the last Sacraments before he died. But the man, who was a heretic, would not do this. Stanislaus was grieved beyond measure at this refusal, and seeing that he could not obtain his request from man, he had recourse to the Saints, and prayed to **St. Barbara**, the patroness of a happy death, that she would obtain for him the grace of receiving the Sacraments before he died.

His prayer was heard, for God sent two angels from Heaven to communicate him. In the following year he received a similar favor. As he was travelling in disguise to go to a certain house of his Order, and was passing through the town of Augsburg, he saw