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# Embrace The Grace

Pope John Paul II Eucharistic Adoration Chapel  
Naperville, IL 60565



*"I am near to a Sun  
that never sets . . . to a  
Light of Lights which  
is never hidden . . .  
bathed in the  
supernatural light of  
the Sacred Host"  
(Concepcion Cabrera  
de Armida, Servant of  
God).*

## November Feasts:

- 1 All Saints
- 2 All Souls
- 4 St. Charles Boromeo
- 13 St. Frances Xavier  
Cabrini
- 21 Presentation of Mary
- 28 St. Catherine Labouré

### URGENT NEED OPEN HOURS

Friday 2 AM  
Saturday 11 AM



### We're on the Web!

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## Lord, we praise and thank you!! November

As you make your holiday plans, please consider your scheduled adoration times and get a substitute when you're unable to attend.

If you would be able to sub for others on one of the holidays, there will be a signup sheet on the bulletin board soon. Thank you all for being an integral part of this adoration ministry! Through your faithfulness and your spreading of the good news, our numbers will grow. Think of a person or two in your life who you can invite to the chapel—someone who has never been to adoration or someone who is interested in growing closer to Jesus.

Do you adore during an hour where there are many people? Would you like to spend really quiet and alone time in prayer? Take a look at the schedule in the chapel to see lightly attended hours. Please call your hourly coordinator or Barb at 369-0853 or Alice at 416-3119 if you'd like to swap hours.

PLEASE do NOT take the chapel library books home with you! They are meant to be shared by all who come to adore.

### Calling all adorers and subs!!

We're *finally* updating our Substitute List and need your help!. If you are willing to be a substitute for an hour occasionally, please let Betty (983-5331) or Alice (416-3119) know by phone or email [chapel@sesnaperville.org](mailto:chapel@sesnaperville.org). Please indicate the days of the week and hours of the day that you might be available to sub.

If you have a friend or neighbor who might be willing to be a sub for the chapel, please ask them to prayerfully consider it then let us know.

If you are receiving calls because you're on the old sub list and would rather be off the list, please call!

God blessings and peace to you all!

## Eucharistic Congress September 2004 Washington DC

On Sept. 24-25, 2004, The Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious (CMSWR) hosted a Eucharistic Congress in Washington DC at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. For those who have never had the privilege of visiting the Shrine, with its magnificent spires, its mosaic dome, and Romanesque architecture, on entering its doors you immediately know that this Basilica takes second place to none in all the world. What a beautiful setting (the locals call it Mary's own house in the US) to honor the Lord in His Real Presence and celebrate the opening of the Year of the Eucharist!



On Friday the 24<sup>th</sup>, the Congress began with celebration of the Mass at 6 pm with His Eminence Theodore Cardinal McCarrick, Archbishop of Washington DC as celebrant. Exposition of the Eucharist continued all through the night and the following day until 4 pm in the Crypt Church. On Saturday, there were various workshops, confessions, devotions held throughout the day. The faithful received addresses by His Eminence J. Francis Cardinal Stafford, Most Rev. Daniel DiNardo and His Eminence Francis Cardinal Arinze. There was a closing Mass at 5:15 followed by Benediction and Eucharistic Procession.

This pilgrim came away from the Congress with a thankful and humbled heart for understanding better the riches and bounty within the gift of our faith. Both the clergy and laity share such reverence and appreciation for Our Lord in His Eucharistic Presence. It reconfirms and demonstrates for us of GREATNESS OF THE GIFT which we have in the Real Presence. Let us always honor and give thanks to our God in our Lord Jesus Christ in the great love he shares with us to remain with us, body, blood, soul, and divinity in His Eucharist. His Kingdom Come!



**Souls in Prayer**

I'm never alone when I pray  
For all gone before me  
Are with me in faith here today  
Our lives and spirit in prayer I raise  
Joined together in the Body of Christ  
In adoration and praise to His name.

With Jesus an hour I stay  
My soul joins with all others today  
For Your love and Your grace  
Please fill my heart's space  
With Your blessings  
For this I do pray.

I kneel and praise and adore  
With those who've all gone on before  
As Your choir we sing  
To Your Holiness bring  
Our prayers and our offering fore.

For all souls, friend and kin, I do pray  
As I think how they lived and their faith  
As I pray for their souls  
Review my own goals  
And ask God to show me the way.

I know I will see them again  
Those close ones I knew and held dear  
They pray for me now to our God from  
above  
As I pray with them now from right here.

I join all the saints now in prayer  
To our Lord of great love on above  
We share boundless grace  
Together long for His face  
And worship our great God of love.

I ask those who've gone on before  
To pray for my soul here today  
As I live and remember  
Their souls this November  
Join in prayer as one body today.

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**YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Your own renewal of faith –  
from OSV 10/3**

Not everyone can venture to Eucharistic congresses held a long distance from their homes, but virtually every diocese and many parishes in the country will offer some special ways for Catholics to mark the Year of the Eucharist. Check your diocesan newspaper or parish bulletin for information on such opportunities closer to home and take part in them if at all possible.

Even if such occasions are few, Catholics can celebrate the Eucharistic year on their own. Here are a few possibilities:

- Spend a little extra time after each Mass in a prayer of thanksgiving for the gift of Christ in the Eucharist.
- If you're primarily a Sunday Mass participant, try to make it to one or two daily Masses each week. Some parishes have early morning, noon-time or early evening Masses that accommodate most work schedules, and some have regular Saturday morning liturgies.
- Volunteer to take a weekly hour at a Perpetual Adoration chapel if one is available in your area. Or simply drop in for a few minutes' adoration any time you are able.
- Step up your spiritual reading, especially on the topic of the Eucharist. Classics like Thomas a Kempis' "The Imitation of Christ" are excellent, as are some modern works like Cardinal Francis Arinze's "The Holy Eucharist" (Our Sunday Visitor, \$9.95).
- If you are not already in the habit, make it a practice to make a silent, devout act of Eucharistic faith just before receiving the Eucharist each time, such as, "Jesus, I firmly believe that You are truly present in this Eucharist."
- Make it a habit to make the required gesture of reverence at an appropriate moment just prior to receiving the Eucharist - a simple bow of the head will do.



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**How can we grow  
spiritually during the  
Year of the Eucharist?**

**Pray, receive, study,  
and adore!  
Share your love of the  
Eucharist!**

**Pray for the  
Holy Souls  
in  
November!**



**YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST  
LOCAL EVENTS**



**SS Peter and Paul Parish, Naperville**  
**Fr. Mitch Pacwa**

December 4 Mass: 6:30 PM—Lecture: 8:00 PM

**"The Catholic Church & Eucharist in our Culture Today"**

**SES—Saints in Our Lives—November 16 at 7:30**

**Fr. Ernie presents the saints in our Mural**

**Sacred Heart Parish, Lombard**

**Fri./Sat., November 19-20 ~ 7:00 pm**

Jeff Cavins: "The Great Adventure: A Journey Through the Bible" Weekend Conference

