Reading 1: Isaiah 55:10-11

Thus says the LORD: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; my word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Reading 2: Romans 8:18-23

Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God. We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea. Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down, and the whole crowd stood along the shore. And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear."The disciples approached him and said, "Why do you speak to them in parables?" He said to them in reply, "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted. To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand. Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in them, which says: You shall indeed hear but not understand, you shall indeed look but never see. Gross is the heart of this people, they will hardly hear with their ears, they have closed their eyes, lest they see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their hearts and be converted, and I heal them."But blessed are your eyes, because they see, and your ears, because they hear. Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it."Hear then the parable of the sower. The seed sown on the path is the one who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it, and the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart. The seed sown on rocky ground is the one who hears the word and receives it at once with joy. But he has no root and lasts only for a time. When some tribulation or persecution comes because of the word, he immediately falls away. The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

Mother Teresa Reflects on Eucharistic Adoration



Every holy hour we make so pleases the Heart of Jesus that it will be recorded in Heaven and retold for all eternity. It opens up the floodgates of God's merciful Love upon the world.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. It will make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven. A Holy Hour of adoration helps bring everlasting peace to your soul and in your family. It brings us personal peace and strength. It brings us a greater love for Jesus, for each other, and for the poor. Every holy hour deepens our union with Him and bears much fruit.

Nowhere on earth are we more welcomed or loved than by Jesus in Eucharist. When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you. When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now. This is why we need Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration in every Parish throughout the entire World.

What will convert America and save the world? My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in Holy Hours of prayer.

On the Cross Jesus said "I thirst". From the Blessed Sacrament Jesus continues to say to each of us "I thirst". He thirsts for our personal love, our intimacy, our union with Him in the Blessed Sacrament.

When the Sisters are exhausted, up to their eyes in work; when all seems to go awry, they spend an hour in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. This practice has never failed to bear fruit: they experience peace and strength.

If you are looking for vocations, as a community have adoration often every day if possible. Once the Missionaries of Charity stalled daily adoration, their vocations doubled.

I know I would not be able to work one week if it were not for that continual force coming from Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament (during my Holy Hour of Adoration). To be alone with Jesus in adoration and intimate union with Him is the Greatest Gift of Love – the tender love of Our Father in Heaven.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration offers to our people the opportunity to join those in religious life to pray for the salvation of the world, souls everywhere and peace on earth. We cannot underestimate the power of prayer and the difference it will make in our world. Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there.

If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to that Adoration. Our hours of adoration will be special hours of reparation for sins, and intercession for the needs of the whole world, exposing the sin-sick and suffering humanity to the healing, sustaining and transforming rays of Jesus, radiating from the Eucharist. Each one of us is a coworker of Christ – we must labor hard to carry Him to the hearts where He has not yet been known and loved...But, unless we have Jesus, we cannot give Him; that is why we need the Eucharist. Spend as much time as possible in front of the Blessed Sacrament and He will fill you with His strength and His power.

Perpetual adoration is the most beautiful thing you could ever think of doing. People are hungry for God. Imagine for a moment that we are living in Jesus' time and He has invited us to visit with Him and spend some quiet time getting to know Him better. Being aware who He was, we would be humbled and honored by such an invitation. The good news is that Jesus is here with us TODAY – body, blood, soul and divinity – in the Holy Eucharist. Although Jesus comes to us under the appearance of bread and wine, His presence is as real to us NOW as He was flesh-and-blood-real to His disciples when he walked this earth. He can perform miracles, heal us, teach us, and love us. We can talk to Him and He can speak to us through His Word and through the Holy Spirit I who lives in us through our baptism and confirmation.

Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to that Adoration.

I Sing the Mighty Power of God 575

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the might - y God, That 1. Ι sing pow'r of Ι 2. the good - ness of the Lord, That sing 3. There's be - low, not plant flow'r But or а 1. made the moun-tains rise; That spread the flow - ing 2. filled the earth with food: He formed the crea - tures 3. makes thy clouds glo - ries known; And а _ rise, and loft - y a - broad, And built the skies. 1. seas Ι 2. with his word, And pro-nounced them good. then Lord, 3. tem - pests blow, By While der from thy throne; or the Wis-dom that or - dained The 1. sing to rule the sun 2. how thy won-ders dis - played, Wher - e'er are Ι turn my 3. all that bor-rows life from thee thy Is ev - er in The shines full 1. day; at his moon com - mand, If the 2. eye; Ι sur vev ground Ι tread, 3. care, And ev 'ry - where that can be, man -0. 1. And all the bey. stars 0 2. Or the sky! gaze up on 3. Thou, God there. are ent pres

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O PRAISE THE NAME (Anástasis)

I cast my mind to Calvary Where Jesus bled and died for me I see His wounds His hands His feet My Savior on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb The entrance sealed by heavy stone Messiah still and all alone

O praise the Name of the Lord our God O praise His Name forevermore For endless days we will sing Your praise Oh Lord oh Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn The Son of heaven rose again O trampled death where is your sting The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white The blazing sun shall pierce the night And I will rise among the saints My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

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WAY MAKER

You are here moving in our midst I worship You, I worship You You are here working in this place I worship You, I worship You (repeat verse)

You are Way Maker Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

You are here touching ev'ry heart I worship You, I worship You You are here healing ev'ry heart I worship You, I worship You

You are here turning lives around I worship You, I worship You You are here mending ev'ry heart I worship You, I worship You

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Sunday, July 19

All are welcome to an open house for the brand new Monsignor David V. Sorohan Center at St. Catharine Church. The open house will begin after 8:30am Mass and extend through the entire day before and after the 11:00am and 5:00pm Mass.

Mass of Dedication Livestream

Saturday, July 25

Please join us online Saturday, July 25 at 4:00pm as Bishop Brennan, Fr. Dury, and Msgr. Sorohoan celebrate The Mass of Dedication for our Eucharistic Adoration Chapel and blessing of the Msgr. David V. Sorohan Center. Due to the limited size of the chapel and COVID-19 restrictions, in person attendance is by invite only.

Spend an hour with Jesus

Adoration Chapel opens July 27 Over 100 people have already committed to spending an hour with Jesus each week in our new Eucharistic Adoration Chapel. If you ever can't make your commitment, requesting a substitute is easy, so there's no need to worry about vacations, appointments, etc. You can also set an end date for your commitment if, for example, your schedule changes in the Fall.

ADORE is now every Thursday

6:30pm-7:30pm

Our ever-popular ADORE Nights are now every Thursday! Spend an hour with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration and songs of praise worship. Two priests are also available for the Sacrament of Confession.

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