

THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL AT THE MONASTERY







As WE BEGAN the second year of the National Eucharistic Revival on Corpus Christi Sunday this summer, our monastery hosted a Eucharistic procession through the streets of Summit, planned and organized by friends of the monastery.

The faithful gathered in our monastery chapel, and the monastery bells pealed as the procession set out. Fr. Columba Thomas, O.P., a newly-ordained friar who was serving as a temporary chaplain for us for the month of June, carried the monstrance and presided over the ceremonies. The extern sisters walked in the procession, and a number of the nuns were able to watch the procession set out and return from the monastery roof. It was beautiful to see! Little girls in first communion dresses strewed rose petals, Dames and Knights of Malta were there in their robes adding a certain solemnity, with so many people processing behind to honor Jesus in the Eucharist, including many members of the Dominican Lay Fraternity which meets at our monastery.

The procession returned just in time to pray Vespers with the nuns. We have been hosting a monthly 'Vespers and Benediction' for the Eucharistic Revival, where we invite people to come and pray Vespers with us. A priest gives a short homily after the Vespers reading, and the hour of the Office concludes with Benediction. We scheduled June's to fall on Corpus Christi Sunday, so the procession flowed beautifully into Vespers, and concluded with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

In addition to our monthly Vespers and Benediction which we have invited the faithful to join us in, we have begun another Eucharistic Revival activity for our own community. On the first Friday of each month, we have been having a Holy Hour of adoration, with one of the Sisters giving a reflection on the Eucharist after we pray the hour of None. It has been a beautiful thing to be able to hear our Sisters reflecting from so many different perspectives on the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist.

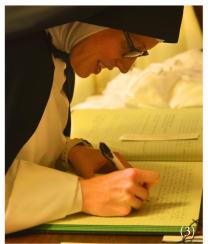
FIRST PROFESSION OF SR. MARIE PAUL

SISTER MARIE PAUL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, O.P. made her first profession of vows as an extern sister on July 29th. Many family members (including lots of cute nieces and nephews!) were able to travel from Texas, where Sr. Marie Paul is originally from, to be present at the Mass and Profession. The Mass was offered by Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, O.P. with Fr. Elias Henritzy, O.P., Fr. Columba Thomas, O.P., and Fr. Bill Holt, O.P. concelebrating and Br. Charles Rooney, O.P. assisting as deacon at the altar .

Photos on the next page: 1) Sr. Marie Paul makes profession for three years into the hands of the prioress, Sr. Joseph Maria. 2) Receiving the Book of Constitutions. 3) Sr. Marie Paul signs the Book of Professions. 4) The clergy present at the Mass with Sr. Marie Paul, Sr. Mary Magdalene, and Sr. Joseph Maria.









OTHER MONASTERY HAPPENINGS

THIS SPRING, we welcomed Sr. Bernadette Marie of the Visitation, O.P. to our monastery. She comes to us from the Monastery of Our Lady of the Rosary which was originally in Buffalo, NY and relocated to Heath, OH. She joins Sr. Mary Agnes who arrived a few months earlier in late last year. Both Sr. Mary Agnes and Sr. Bernadette Marie have transferred to our community in the process of their monastery's closing. We are so grateful for their presence among us!

July brought us the arrival of a new permanent chaplain! We were very happy to welcome Fr. Elias Henritzy, O.P. after so many months without a regular chaplain.

Later in July, our monastery hosted the final year of the Monastic Theological Studies program for the sisters of our association in temporary vows. The study program usually lasts for four summers, but this cycle lasted five since one year was skipped due to COVID.

Sisters in the program joined us

from the monasteries in Lufkin, TX and Menlo Park, CA for lectures on Church History with Fr. John Vidmar, O.P. and a practicum with professors Teodora and Margherita Rossi from the Angelicum which concluded with a *Disputatio*, a medieval-style debate, on the subject of "Whether it is true that wicked people enjoy prosperity and fortune while good people do not." Pictured on left are the MTS students and program coordinators with Teodora and Margherita Rossi.



NOVEMBER—THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

During the month of November, a basket is kept on the altar, in which we place the names of the deceased souls who have been recommended to our prayers. They are remembered in our prayers and Masses offered for the holy souls throughout the month. If you would like to add the names of any loved ones who have died, click the link below to fill out a form on our website.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.

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PRAYER FOR THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Lord Jesus Christ, you give us your flesh and blood for the life of the world, and you desire that all people come to the Supper of the Sacrifice of the Lamb. Renew in your Church the truth, beauty, and goodness contained in the Most Blessed Eucharist.

Jesus living in the Eucharist, come and live in me.

Jesus healing in the Eucharist, come and heal me.

Jesus sacrificing yourself in the Eucharist, come and suffer in me.

Jesus rising in the Eucharist, come and rise to new life in me.

Jesus loving in the Eucharist, come and love in me.

Lord Jesus Christ, through the paschal mystery of your death and resurrection made present in every Holy Mass, pour out your healing love on your Church and on our world. Grant that as we lift you up during this time of Eucharistic Revival, your Holy Spirit may draw all people to join us at this Banquet of Life. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Eucharist, Pray for us.

