

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS



**Mary, Womb of the Word
and Mother of Vocations**

1. INTRODUCTION

Leader: Brothers and sisters, this month we gather once again before Jesus in the Eucharist. We continue our journey toward the Centenary of the birth into heaven of Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia, which we will celebrate on June 1, 2027.

As members of the Family of the Rogate — consecrated and lay — we desire to live this time as a gift: a path to rediscover the beauty of our charism, the power of prayer for vocations, and the tenderness of the Heart of Jesus toward the little ones and the poor.

Each monthly adoration is a milestone: a moment to be illuminated by the Word, guided by Mary, and accompanied by Saint Hannibal, so that our lives and mission may become ever more fruitful. Let us enter this time of prayer with open hearts, certain that the Lord continues to call and generate life within our Family of the Rogate.

Let us welcome, with a song, the Lord who comes among us.

Silent Adoration

2. OPENING PRAYER

We adore You, Lord Jesus, Eternal Word of the Father, the Light that enlightens everyone. We adore You in the mystery of Your Birth, where Your

humility reveals the Father's love. We adore You in the silence of the Eucharist, where You continue to become flesh for us. Make our hearts ready, like the heart of Mary, to welcome Your presence and to generate life for the Church and for the world. Amen.

3. LISTENING TO THE WORD

Leader: The Gospel of the Second Sunday of Christmas leads us to the heart of the mystery: the Word that was with God, the Word that is God, becomes flesh and pitches His tent among us. Not an idea, not an abstract announcement, but a living, concrete, and close presence. This presence enters the world through the “yes” of Mary, the Mother who welcomes, protects, and gives.

From the Gospel according to John
(Short Form: Jn 1:1-5, 9-14)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came to be through

him, but the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him.

But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of God. And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Silent

4. COMMUNITY REFLECTION

Leader: In the light of John's Prologue, let us let Mary's motherhood guide us as the vocational key to Christmas.

Reader: Saint Hannibal reminds us:

"The Most Holy Mary, Mother of God, was the first living tabernacle of the Incarnate Word. In her most pure womb, the greatest mystery of heaven and earth was fulfilled: God-made-Child for our salvation."

In the Gospel, we heard that the Word "came to dwell among us." Mary is the soil where this Word found a home. Her motherhood is pure vocation: acceptance, listening, and availability.

Chant (Taize): Oh, oh, oh, adoramus Te, Domine

Reader: Saint Hannibal continues:

"Let us contemplate the Virgin Mother at Holy Christmas: She gives us Jesus, the light of the world. Let us draw near to her to receive the Divine Child with the same faith, humility, and love with which she welcomed Him into her womb."

A vocation is born this way:

- When we let the Word dwell within us;
- When we allow God to generate in us what we could not generate alone;
- When we become a "womb" that protects and gives.

Reader: Mary is the icon of our lives:

- She teaches us to say 'here I am' without seeking to possess the future.
- She teaches us a trust that goes beyond understanding.
- She invites us to bring Christ into history through our educational, charitable, and community missions.

Christmas is the time when God is born into the world, but also the time He desires to be born in us. Our community, like Mary, is called to be a womb of vocations: a place that welcomes, accompanies, protects, and gives.

Chant (Taize): Oh, oh, oh, adoramus Te, Domine

ADORATION AND SUPPLICATION

Together: Lord Jesus, Who chose to enter the world through the womb of Mary, make us also a welcoming womb for Your will. May our consecrated life be a reflection of Your light, the tenderness of Your presence, and the humility of Your Incarnation. Renew in us the joy of our religious and matrimonial vocation, and grant that we, like Mary, may generate vocations for the Church and the world. Amen.

(Silent Adoration)

5. PRAYER FOR GOOD LABORERS

(Kneeling)

Leader: Brothers and sisters, let us now lift our vocational plea to the Lord. In the mystery of Christmas, God continues to call, to enlighten, and to generate life. With Mary, Mother of the Word and Mother of Vocations, let us ask that the Church be filled with laborers for the harvest.

All: Lord Jesus, Word made flesh, who at Christmas reveals Yourself as light for all, renew Your presence today in our Family of the Rogate.

You who chose Mary as the welcoming womb for Your Word, make us, like her, ready to be overshadowed by Your Spirit, that we may bring to birth life, hope, and vocations within the Church.

Bless us—Daughters of Divine Zeal, Rogationists, and all the laity who share the gift of the Rogate. Grant that together, in the diversity of our callings, we may be of one heart and one mission.

Make our service among the little ones, the poor, and the youth fruitful. May every act of charity, education, and proclamation be a seed of vocation, taking root in the soil of the world.

Sustain all young people on their journey: illuminate their searching, embrace them in their fears, and open wide the doors to a life of service and joy. May they find in our Family of the Rogate a home that welcomes, listens, and accompanies.

Lord of the Harvest, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Vocations, and Saint Hannibal, Apostle of the Rogate, send holy laborers to Your Church and renew in each of us the grace of our calling. Amen.

Benediction

Closing Song



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