

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS



**“I am the Way,
the Truth, and the Life”**

1. INTRODUCTION

Leader: The Risen One gathers us around His living presence. To us, His disciples, He entrusts the continuation of His work: to show the world the face of the Father, in the spirit of service, meekness, and charity. Our communities—despite the fragilities and tensions—are called to become living stones, capable of safeguarding communion and of valuing the gifts of each person.

In this Marian month, Mary accompanies us: the Woman of the “yes,” the first disciple who believed in the Word and made it flesh. And Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia accompanies us as well, as the Family of the Rogate prepares to celebrate the Centenary of his Passing (1927–2027): a time of grace that invites us to renew our passion for the Rogate and our commitment to vocations in the Church.

Let us ask the Holy Spirit that this encounter with the Risen One may rekindle in us the joy of continuing His work according to the vocation each of us has received.

Let us welcome the Lord who comes among us, as we lift our hearts in song.

(Silent Adoration)

2. OPENING PRAYER

All: Lord of truth and of life, You are the Way; You alone lead us to the Father. Make us docile to Your voice, ready to follow you, and open to the surprises of your love. Create within us the silence needed to listen to You; pierce our hearts

with the sword of Your Word, so that, in the light of Your wisdom, we may discern what passes and what endures. Make us poor and free for Your Kingdom, witnesses of Your living presence and a source of fraternity, justice, and peace. Amen.

3. LISTENING TO THE WORD

Leader: Jesus is the living Word who reveals the Father and shows us the way. In the time of the Church, we are called to walk through history with confidence, in solidarity with every human being, and always oriented forward, proclaiming the beauty of the way that is Christ.

(Jn. 14:1-12)

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith[b] in God; have faith also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where [l] am going you know the way.” Thomas said to him, “Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth[e] and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father.[f] From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Master, show us the Father,[g] and that will be enough for us.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and

the Father is in me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on my own. The Father who dwells in me is doing his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else, believe because of the works themselves. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Brief moment of silence.

4. COMMUNITY REFLECTION

Leader: Every encounter with God is also an encounter with the deepest truth of the human person: his desire for happiness, for meaning, for a life in fullness.

Reader: In the Upper Room, Jesus entrusts to His own a testament of light: "I am the way, the truth, and the life." In Him, the Father becomes visible, near, trustworthy. The human heart seeks truth in a thousand ways, but only in Christ does it find the face of the Father who saves. Like Philip, we too often say: "Show us the Father, and that will be enough for us." And Jesus replies: "Whoever sees me sees the Father." In Him, God allows Himself to be encountered.

Leader: "I am the way": Christ is the bridge to the Father, the one mediator.

Reader: Saint Paul affirms this with force: "There is one mediator between God and men: Christ Jesus." And

Jesus promises: "I am going to prepare a place for you...so that you also may be where I am." The life He gives is not mere existence: it is meaning, hope, and fulfillment. It is the life that conquers death. Saint Peter reminds us of our identity: "You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a people who proclaim the marvelous works of God." Identity and mission are inseparable: when salt loses its flavor, witness grows dim.

Brief moment of silence for interiorization

All: Lord Jesus, good Master, our hearts are troubled by the shadows of the world and by our own fragilities. Increase our faith in you. You are the Way: guide us. You are the Truth: enlighten us. You are the Life: transform us. Grant that, by living in You, we may see the Father and glorify your name before all. Amen.

5. MARIAN RESONANCE

Leader: In the month of May, we turn our gaze to Mary, the Woman who believed, the Way that leads to the Way. In her, the Word became flesh; in her, vocation became service; in her, new life found its dwelling place. Mary teaches us that vocation is born from listening, grows in silence, and is fulfilled in self-giving.

All: Mary, Mother of the Church, accompany our steps on the Way that is Christ. Make us, like you, ready and willing, capable of saying "Here I am" and of bringing Christ to those who await Him. Amen.

6. MEMORY OF SAINT HANNIBAL

Leader: Saint Hannibal reminds us that vocation is a gift for the Church and a responsibility for the world. His love for the Rogate was born from a heart that had seen the harvest and had felt its urgency. For him, praying for good laborers meant believing that God continues to call and that the Church must welcome, accompany, and generate. As the Family of the Rogate prepares to celebrate the Centenary of his Passing, we feel even more strongly, the invitation to renew our fidelity to the charism, to safeguard our passion for vocations, and to live with joy the service of the little ones and the poor, as he taught us.

All: Saint Hannibal, teach us to pray with faith for vocations, to recognize the signs of God's call in the young, and to support with love those who seek His will. Make us laborers of charity, missionaries of prayer, and witnesses of the Lord's harvest. Amen.

Silent Adoration

7. PRAYER FOR GOOD LABORERS

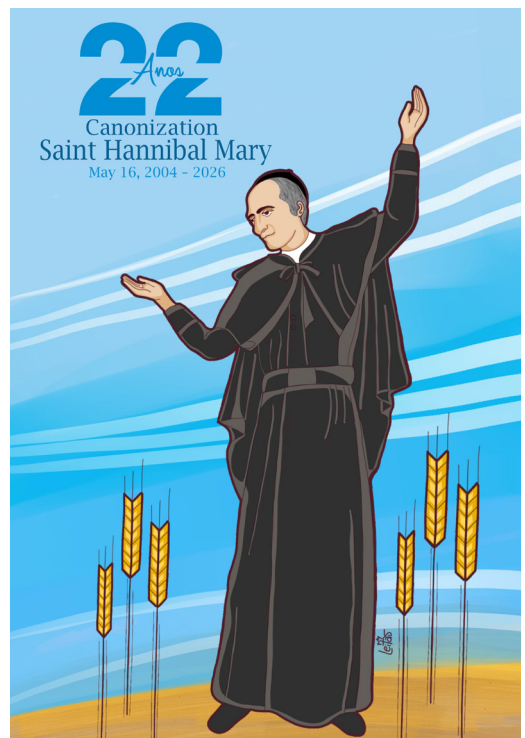
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Leader: The men and women of our time ask believers not only for words about God, but for His very face. To reveal the Father is possible only for those who live in Christ and who bear witness to the beauty of life as vocation.

All: God, Father of every creature, make us generous in responding to your call and in sharing the gifts we have received. Christ Jesus, Bread of Life, renew within us the miracle of self-giving and transform our existence into a perpetual thanksgiving. Holy Spirit, faithful Friend, sustain us in proclaiming the beauty of life as vocation. Most Holy Trinity, eternal Love, make our communities welcoming homes of the Gospel of vocation. Grant to the Church young people who are generous in the ordained ministry, and in consecrated life. Amen.

Benediction

Closing Song



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