



OUR LADY of the Blessed Sacrament

Catholic Church, Agana Heights, Guam



Fr. Marvin Bearis, O.F.M., Cap.
Pastor

Fr. Victor Garcia, O.F.M., Cap.
Pastor

Parish Office Hours

Monday- Wednesday
and Friday

8:00 a.m. - 12 NOON
and

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MISSION STATEMENT

- * To develop and strengthen our spirituality in a vibrant parish community through the celebration of the Eucharist, the devotion to and the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament;
- * To nurture the closeness and unity of our parish families;
- * To promote involvement in various Church ministries and ensure the continuing formation of its ministers; and
- * To serve the need of the local community, island community, and the global community.

25 SAT VIGIL: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

4:30 PM ENBIDA/HEALING for all Parishioners and Benefactors of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church; **ENBIDA/HEALING** for Deacon Louis Agbulos, Jr., Donna Jones, Sister Jacintha Marsil, Tee Sablan, Frank & Terry Indalecio & Family, Tom Torres, Florence Quitugua, Avelin Lujan, Mary McKay, Paige Manglona, Keandra M. McDonald, David P. Aguon, Larry Spotanski, Cresencia Meno, Kuma Santos, Dominic Terlaje, Rodney Sayama, Joaquina Tenorio, Kuade Bell Jr.; **ENBIDA AND OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** for Shane McDonald; **ENBIDA** and Saint Michael the Archangel for Brian Aflague; **ENBIDA AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS** for Francisco & Ester Lizama and Family; **HOLY SPIRIT** for Torres and Duenas Families; **ENBIDA AND HOLY SPIRIT, HOLY FAMILY AND DIVINE MERCY** for Lauren, Rachael, Rosanna, Russel, Vince, Jennifer Pangelinan, Gene Jr. and Lea Quichocho and Hale and Markoshi Family; **SPECIAL INTENTIONS** for Patricia RoseAnn Torres and Aponik Family; **ENBIDA AND BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS** for Lucia Aponik, **ENBIDA AND BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS** for Erik Perez; **ENBIDA AND BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS** for Claire Meno, **ANIMAS** †Jose E. Mendiola, †Tristian Kemp, †Millie Acfalle, †Joseph D.M. Bamba, †Alfred V.G. Quiniones, †Leonard Baza, †Antonia D. Cruz, †Juan Benavente Castro, †Frank Q. Taitano, †Ruth Leon Guerrero, †Reymundo Guinto, †Frankie M. Lujan, †Ray M. Flores, †Bill Suzuki, †David and †James Grantham, †Manny Calvo, †Diana Yamashita, †Felix L. Calvo, †Laura D. Calvo, †Galo Baletto, †Adela G. Peredo, †Jesse Santos, †Gonzalo "Charles" Chiguina and for the †**Holy Souls in Purgatory**

26 SUN OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

7&9 AM ENBIDA/HEALING for Deacon Louis Agbulos, Jr., Donna Jones, Sister Jacintha Marsil, Tee Sablan, Frank & Terry Indalecio & Family, Annie Untalan, Lisa Ortiz, Louisa Van Vickle, Tom Torres, Florence Quitugua, David P. Aguon, Viola Pangelinan, Avelin Lujan, Mary McKay, Keandra M. McDonald, Paige Manglona, Larry Spotanski, Helen Charfauros, Cecilia Kisslinger, Kuma Santos, Dominic Terlaje, Charlie and Liz Apelo, Cresencia Meno, Rodney Sayama, Joaquina Tenorio, Kuade Bell, Jr.; **ENBIDA AND HOLY SPIRIT** for Shane McDonald, Jonathan Sablan and Venecia Chargualaf; **HOLY SPIRIT** for Torres and Duenas Families; **SPECIAL INTENTIONS** for Patricia RoseAnn Torres and Aponik Family; **ENBIDA** and Saint Michael the Archangel for Brian Aflague; **ENBIDA AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS** for Francisco & Ester Lizama and Family; **ENBIDA AND HOLY SPIRIT, HOLY FAMILY AND DIVINE MERCY** for Lauren, Rachael, Rosanna, Russel, Vince, Jennifer Pangelinan, Gene Jr. and Lea Quichocho and Hale and Markoshi Family; **ENBIDA AND SAFE TRAVELS** for Fr. Marvin Bearis, O.F.M., Cap., **ANIMAS** †Jose E. Mendiola, †Tristian Kemp, †Isabel C. Munoz, †Millie Acfalle, †Joseph D.M. Bamba, †Alfred V.G. Quiniones, †Leonard Baza, †Antonia D. Cruz, †Juan Benavente Castro, †Frank Q. Taitano, †Ruth Leon Guerrero, †Frankie M. Lujan, †Reymundo Guinto, †Ray M. Flores, †Philip D. Reyes, †Bill Suzuki, †David and †James Grantham, †Manny Calvo, †Diana Yamashita, †Felix L. Calvo, †Laura D. Calvo, †Galo Baletto, †Adela G. Peredo, †Jesse Santos, †Francisco L. Gumataotao, †Gonzalo "Charles" Chiguina and for the †**Holy Souls in Purgatory**

27 MON WEEKDAY

6:00 PM ENBIDA/HEALING for Deacon Louis Agbulos, Jr., Donna Jones, Sister Jacintha Marsil, Tee Sablan, Frank & Terry Indalecio & Family, Louisa Van Vickle, Tom Torres, Florence Quitugua, Avelin Lujan, David P. Aguon, Paige Manglona, Larry Spotanski, Helen Charfauros, Cecilia Kisslinger, Kuma Santos, Dominic Terlaje, Cresencia Meno, Rodney Sayama, Kuade Bell Jr., Joaquina Tenorio; **ENBIDA/ST. JUDE** for Shane McDonald; **ENBIDA AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS** for Francisco & Ester Lizama and Family; **ENBIDA** and Saint Michael the Archangel for Brian Aflague; **HOLY SPIRIT** for Torres and Duenas Families; **ENBIDA AND HOLY SPIRIT, HOLY FAMILY AND DIVINE MERCY** for Lauren, Rachael, Rosanna, Russel, Vince, Jennifer Pangelinan, Gene Jr. and Lea Quichocho and Hale and Markoshi Family; **SPECIAL INTENTIONS** for Patricia RoseAnn Torres and Aponik Family; **IN THANKSGIVING AND IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL; SAFE TRAVELS** for Fr. Marvin Bearis, O.F.M., Cap., **ANIMAS** †Jose E. Mendiola, †Millie Acfalle, †Joseph D.M. Bamba, †Alfred V.G. Quiniones, †Leonard Baza, †Juan Benavente Castro, †Frank Q. Taitano, †Ruth Leon Guerrero, †Reymundo Guinto, †Ray M. Flores, †Bill Suzuki, †David and †James Grantham, †Manny Calvo, †Diana Yamashita, †Felix L. Calvo, †Laura D. Calvo, †Galo Baletto, †Adela G. Peredo, †Jesse Santos, †Gonzalo "Charles" Chiguina, †Francisca Corpuz (13th Death Anniversary) and †**Holy Souls in Purgatory**

THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH INFORMATION

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptisms are celebrated on 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. Please contact the parish secretary at least three (3) weeks in advance to schedule a baptism.

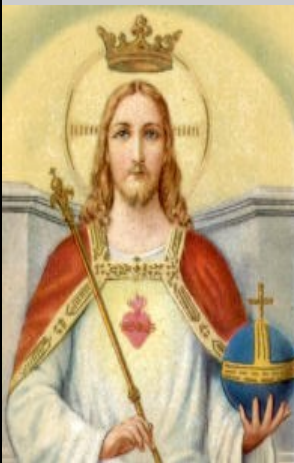
SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Please contact the parish office at least **six months** before the date of the proposed marriage.

PARISH REGISTRATION: Are you new to our parish or may-be just have not had the chance to register? If so, please stop by the parish office to register. Thank you.

GODPARENTS AND SPONSORS: Permission forms are available at the OLBS Parish Office during office hours. Sponsorship approval should be obtained from the parish where you **currently attend Mass regularly**, not from the parish where you received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

SACRAMENT CERTIFICATES: If you need a copy of your Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and/or Marriage Certificate, please contact the parish office.

PARISH BULLETIN NOTICES: All announcements for the weekly bulletin must be submitted no later than 12 NOON on Wednesday.



28 TUES 6 PM WEEKDAY ENBIDA/HEALING for Deacon Louis Agbulos, Jr., Donna Jones, Sister Jacintha Marsil, Tee Sablan, Frank & Terry Indalecio & Family, Tom Torres, Florence Quitugua, Avelin Lujan, David P. Aguon, Paige Manglona, Larry Spotanski, Helen Charfauros, Cecilia Kisslinger, Kuma Santos, Dominic Terlaje, Cresencia Meno, Rodney Sayama, Joaquina Tenorio, Kuade Bell, Jr.; **ENBIDA AND ST. ANTHONY** for Shane McDonald, **ENBIDA AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS** for Francisco & Ester Lizama & Family and Aponik Family; **ENBIDA** and Saint Michael the Archangel for Brian Aflague; **ENBIDA AND HOLY SPIRIT, HOLY FAMILY AND DIVINE MERCY** for Lauren, Rachael, Rosanna, Russel, Vince, Jennifer Pangelinan, Gene Jr. and Lea Quichocho and Hale and Markoshi Family; **HOLY SPIRIT** for Torres and Duenas Families; **ANIMAS** †Jose E. Mendiola, †Millie Acfalle, †Joseph D.M. Bamba, †Alfred V.G. Quiniones, †Leonard Baza, †Frank Q. Taitano, †Frankie M. Lujan, †Ruth Leon Guerrero, †Reymundo Guinto, †Juan Benavente Castro, †Ray M. Flores, †Bill Suzuki, †David and †James Grantham, †Manny Calvo, †Diana Yamashita, †Felix L. Calvo, †Laura D. Calvo, †Galo Baleto, †Adela G. Peredo, †Gonzalo "Charles" Chiguina, and for †Jesse Santos, †**Holy Souls in Purgatory**

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30 THURS. ST. ANDREW, APOSTLE
NO MASS: CAPUCHIN FRATERNITY DAY

DEC. 1, FRI. WEEKDAY (FIRST FRIDAY)
6 PM ENBIDA/HEALING for Deacon Louis Agbulos, Jr., Donna Jones, Sister Jacintha Marsil, Tee Sablan, Frank & Terry Indalecio & Family, Tom Torres, Florence Quitugua, Avelin Lujan, David P. Aguon, Paige Manglona, Larry Spotanski, Helen Charfauros, Cecilia Kisslinger, Kuma Santos, Dominic Terlaje, Cresencia Meno, Joaquina Tenorio; **ENBIDA AND SACRED HEART OF JESUS** for Shane McDonald; **ENBIDA AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS** for Francisco & Ester Lizama and Family; **ENBIDA** and Saint Michael the Archangel for Brian Aflague; **HOLY SPIRIT** for Torres and Duenas Families; **SPECIAL INTENTIONS** for Patricia RoseAnn Torres and Aponik Family; **ANIMAS** †Jose E. Mendiola, †Millie Acfalle, †Joseph D.M. Bamba, †Alfred V.G. Quiniones, †Leonard Baza, †Juan Benavente Castro, †Frank Q. Taitano, †Ruth Leon Guerrero, †Frankie M. Lujan, †Reymundo Guinto, †Ray M. Flores, †Bill Suzuki, †David and †James Grantham, †Manny Calvo, †Diana Yamashita, †Felix L. Calvo, †Laura D. Calvo, †Galo Baleto, †Jesse Santos, †Adela G. Peredo, †Gonzalo "Charles" Chiguina and for †**Holy Souls in Purgatory**

2 SAT 7 AM BVM/WEEKDAY (FIRST SATURDAY)
ENBIDA/HEALING Deacon Louis Agbulos, Jr., Donna Jones, Sister Jacintha Marsil, Tee Sablan, Frank & Terry Indalecio & Family, Tom Torres, Florence Quitugua, Avelin Lujan, David P. Aguon, Paige Manglona, Larry Spotanski, Helen Charfauros, Cecilia Kisslinger, Kuma Santos, Dominic Terlaje, Cresencia Meno, Joaquina Tenorio; **ENBIDA AND BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** for Shane McDonald; **ENBIDA AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS** for Francisco & Ester Lizama and Family; **ENBIDA** and Saint Michael the Archangel for Brian Aflague; **HOLY SPIRIT** for Torres and Duenas Families; **SPECIAL INTENTIONS** for Patricia RoseAnn Torres and Aponik Family; **ANIMAS** †Jose E. Mendiola, †Millie Acfalle, †Joseph D.M. Bamba, †Alfred V.G. Quiniones, †Leonard Baza, †Juan Benavente Castro, †Frank Q. Taitano, †Ruth Leon Guerrero, †Frankie M. Lujan, †Reymundo Guinto, †Ray M. Flores, †Bill Suzuki, †David and †James Grantham, †Manny Calvo, †Diana Yamashita, †Felix L. Calvo, †Laura D. Calvo, †Galo Baleto, †Bernadita T. Manipol (Birthday Remembrance), †Adela G. Peredo, †Gonzalo "Charles" Chiguina, †Jesse Santos, and for the †**Holy Souls in Purgatory**

THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WHOSE WE ARE,

WHO WE ARE

We celebrate Christ the King at the end of what is called the Church's liturgical year. This year is patterned after the story of Christ, beginning with our Advent preparation for his coming through the Lenten season and Holy Week, with the rest of the time devoted to what Jesus said and did.

In the Gospel, Jesus is described as coming in glory and sitting on his throne. But unlike one who lords it over others (cf Mt 20:25) this King is also "the Good Shepherd" who knows and welcomes his sheep who recognize his voice (cf Jn 10:14), And the "goats on his left" are those who did nothing for the poor, the stranger, and the prisoner with whom Christ the King identifies.

By putting his celebration at the end of the liturgical year, we do not only remember the life of Christ the Shepherd-King in the great epic of salvation history. The lights and darkness of human

history, like the beautiful monuments of art and the brutal ravages of wars, are not vicious cycles of greatness and depravity. Our life's ups and downs do not come from good or bad *karma*. Our common histories and personal stories are where the life of the Shepherd-King is re-lived. Thus we are empowered. And what do we as a people and as individuals counts and makes a difference in the world when we follow the example of the Shepherd-King and build his Kingdom.

As followers of this Shepherd-King, we are not just disciples of a *guru* whose behavior we imitate. We belong to him as true subjects. Yes, we belong to groups or communities, whether chosen or not, like our families, our social networks, and even our nations. But more than all these identifications, we belong to Christ, this Shepherd-King who laid down his life for the sheep and identified himself with us all who are in dire need of salvation. And this belonging to him is what marks who we are, our deepest identity.

CCD Announcement

There will be no CCD classes Sunday, November 26 as we celebrate our fiesta. CCD classes will resume next weekend.

Happy Fiesta to all students and teachers!

THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Happy Fiesta and Feast of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament

As we gather as a parish family to celebrate our fiesta, may God Bless each and every one of us. May Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist, be the source of our strength and joy, through the intercession of our Mother, "Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament."

We would like to welcome all friends and benefactors who came to join us for our fiesta.

Thank you to all who volunteered their time to get our parish ready for the fiesta, those who cleaned the church and church grounds, those that decorated the church, carosa and Fatima Hall and all those who prepared, donated food or gave monetary donation for the Na Taotao Tumano after our procession.

Thank you to the Techas, Christian Mothers, Parish Council Members, All Church Ministers, Pre-Confirmation and Confirmation students for all the help that was provided. Thank you also to our Choir, Fr. Marvin Bearis, O.F.M., Cap., Fr. Victor Garcia, O.F.M., Cap. and to all who came to celebrate Mass with us.

BIBA SANTA MARIA!!

Dangkulu Na Si Yuus Maase

Thank you to all parishioners who contributed to our Annual Love Loaf Offering and donated to our Canned Food Drive that were offered up during our Thanksgiving Mass.

The items donated for the Food Drive will be donated to Kusinan Karidat, Catholic Social Services and to the Angel Blessings Project.

We would also like to thank the families who donated the dinner rolls that were distributed to all parishioners after our Thanksgiving Mass.

Thank you and God Bless You all!

Adios Father Marvin

We bid Fr. Marvin a fond farewell and wish him all the best as he begins his new assignment in Connecticut.

We truly will miss his presence among us and we want to thank him for all his endeavors, hard work and guidance these past two years at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish. We were so blessed to have had him as our priest, brother and friend.

Visit us anytime you are back on Guam!

With love and prayers,
Your Guam OLBS Family

**Fr. Marvin's New Address:
Blessed Solanus Casey Friary
123 Nancy St.
Bridgeport, CT 06604-1011**

THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome Fr. Victor

Please welcome Fr. Victor Garcia, O.F.M., Cap. who has been assigned our new Pastor of our parish. Fr. Victor comes to us from New York.

Welcome Fr. Victor to Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church.

PRO-LIFE

Presentation/ Workshop

Stand up for the rights of the unborn.

Please join us this **Thurs., Nov. 30, 2017** at the Fatima Social Hall from **7 pm– 8:15 pm.**

Sponsored by the Catholic Pro-Life Committee
Pale Mike Crisostomo, Director

First Friday Home Visits

HOME VISITS: Fr. Victor will be visiting the sick and homebound on **Friday, December 1st** beginning at 6:30 a.m.

If you have a family member that is sick or homebound that you would like to include in the monthly home visits, please contact the parish office at 472-6246.

Lectors Needed...

We are looking for volunteers who are interested in becoming Lectors. Our lectors are the readers who proclaim the Scriptures at Mass and other services.

If you are good at reading aloud and are comfortable reading in front of a group of people, please consider assisting in the Celebration of Mass by proclaiming the Word of God. This may be the perfect way for you to serve our Lord. We especially need lectors for the 5pm Saturday and 7am Sunday masses.

If you are interested and would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact the parish office at 472-6246.

Sunday Collection Counters Needed

We are looking for a few parishioners who can volunteer 2-3 hours of their time, after the 9:00 a.m. Sunday mass, to count the Sunday collection.

If you are interested in volunteering your time and talent to our parish or would like more information, please contact the parish office at 472-6246.

Thank you.

THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

New Collection Envelopes

The new *parish Collection Envelopes* for the 2017—2018 year were distributed at the Thanksgiving Day Mass.

If you have not picked up your envelopes or would like one issued to you, please contact Kathy McDonald at 688-2258. Thank you.

Last Week's Collection

Your gifts of stewardship for last weekend's collection amounted to
\$2,763.57

Adoration Chapel Collection

Your donations for OLBS
Adoration Chapel
amounted to **\$131.85**

Parish Fiesta Donations

Total amount of donations received for the Parish Fiesta amounted to **\$2,985.00** with **\$1575.00** received last week.

Mary Q's Catering Costs: **\$ 3,900.00**

Air Con Project Donations

Total amount of donations for the Air Con Project received last week was **\$1,500.00**.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

TECHA SCHEDULE

Nov. 25-Dec. 2	Glorina Perez/ Lucia McDonald
Dec. 2-9	Emily Cruz/Letty Bartels
Dec. 9-16	Millie Artero/ Natty Calvo

Please Remember Our Sick and Homebound in Your Daily Prayers

Our Sick and/or Recovering:

Deacon Louis Agbulos, Jr., David P. Aguon, Rose Borja, Robert Camacho, Mark Cruz, Pedro C. Cruz, Doris Garrido, Mercedes Grantham, Donna Jones, Bernadette Lizama, Francisco Lizama, Sister Jacinta Marsil, Maria P. Masnayan, Ricardo Masnayan, Viola Pangelinan, Lisa Ortiz, Rosario Reyes, Tee Sablan, Clarissa Taitano, Dorothy Tydingco, Annie Untalan.

Our Homebound:

Maria Aguon, Anne Calvo, Dolores F. Chargualaf, Serafina Fejeran, Olivia Guinto, Isabel Gumataotao, Rita Gumataotao, Ester Lizama, Dolores Luzano, Terry McDonald, Virginia Portusach, Florence Sablan, Francisco San Nicolas, John and Winnie Suzuki and Rosa M. Torres.

THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Fiesta to all of you! This weekend we celebrate and offer our prayers to our Blessed Mother as “Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament.” This year marks my third and last fiesta. Although I leave with sadness, I am filled with joy to have served as the Pastor of this beautiful parish.

I entered OLBS as a new pastor with no prior experience working at a parish. I just arrived from New York not having any major expectations and not knowing how to lead a parish full of people with different personalities, gifts, spiritualities, and challenges. I was just thankful for getting out of the Cold Winters and back in the sunshine and warmth of the Island of Guam.

From my first day to my final days all of you, the parishioners at OLBS have welcomed me with the love and care of Christ. I am truly grateful knowing that I have had many parishioners who have truly helped me in my transition into my new role as a Pastor. Although I have had many moments of personal and spiritual growth and challenges I know my experience as a priest here at Agana Heights have molded me into a better Capuchin, Priest, and man of God.

I want to personally thank you for your openness in helping me grow in my role as a spiritual father. The life of a parish priest is not easy and at times is very demanding but through your prayers and care for me as your pastor, with the grace of God, I was able to accomplish a lot of things in order to help people grow closer to Christ and remain grounded in their Catholic Faith.

Most especially, I wanted to thank your support in creating and opening the Perpetual Adoration Chapel. God has truly blessed our Parish and the Archdiocese of Agana with an adoration Chapel that have and will continue to transform hearts and save many souls back to Christ. The adoration chapel has been open for only a year and a half but there has already been many people whose lives have changed by simply spending one hour with the Lord.

I ask for your continual prayers as I embark on a new journey with the Lord as I move to Connecticut and serve the Capuchin Order in New York/New England as the Vocations Director. Please pray that young men will answer the call to join the Capuchin Franciscan Order most especially in Guam.

Last but not least I ask for you to share the same Love and support to Fr. Victor. Please help him to see God’s love through you and your care for him as your Pastor and Spiritual Father.

I will miss you all.

Love,

Fr. Marvin Bearis OFM Cap.

THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

History of the title:
"Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament"

St. Peter Julian Eymard, of France, had a strong devotion to the Holy Eucharist and Our Lady and began his priestly life in the Society of Mary. "But his heart burned with the desire to establish perpetual adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament exposed upon a royal throne and surrounded by a large court of adorers. On February 2, 1851, at the shrine of Fourvière, the most Blessed Virgin had made him understand its necessity. 'All the mysteries of my Son have a religious order of men to honor them. The Eucharist alone has none' After several years of prudent reflection and interior combat, encouraged by Pope Pius IX, he founded the Congregation of the Most Blessed Sacrament at Paris on May 13, 1856" (St. Peter Julian Eymard: Apostle of the Eucharist Novena, p. 20).

The title of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament was first given to Mary by St. Peter Julian Eymard in May 1868, while speaking to his novices. A few years later he described what her statue should look like: "The Blessed Virgin holds the Infant in her arms; and He holds a chalice in one hand and a Host in the other." He exhorted them to invoke Mary: "Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, pray for us who have recourse to thee!"

Later, Pius IX enriched the invocation with indulgences. Twice, St. Pius X did the same. On December 30, 1905, he granted a 300 days indulgence to the faithful who pray: "Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, pray for us."

"This title, Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, is perhaps the most meaningful of all," said St. Pius X.

In 1921 the Sacred Congregation of Rite authorized the Blessed Sacrament Congregations to celebrate each year, on the 13th of May, a "solemn commemoration of the Blessed Virgin," with the intention of honoring Mary under the title of "Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament." And of course this Feast is still celebrated today with great joy by all the spiritual sons and daughters of St. Peter Julian Eymard.

Pope Bl. John XXIII codified the title of Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament when he declared St. Peter Julian Eymard a saint on December 9, 1962, at the end of the last session of the Second Vatican Council.

Prayer

Virgin Immaculate, perfect lover of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, we ask you to obtain for us the graces we need to become true adorers of our Eucharistic God. Grant us, we beg of you, to know Him better, to love Him more, and to center our lives around the Eucharist, that is, to make our whole life a constant prayer of adoration, thanksgiving, reparation, and petition to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Amen.

V. Pray for us, O Virgin Immaculate, Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

R. That the Eucharistic Kingdom of Jesus Christ may come among us!

(St. Peter Julian Eymard)

