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Your Pastor May Give You A Buzz!

Don't turn him down. Perpetual Adoration in parishes is a movement which is gaining impetus. In THE HOMILETIC AND PASTORAL REVIEW for May, Father Joseph Donovan, Kenrick Seminary, St. Louis, Mo., tells us how many pastors have re-vitalized their parishes through Perpetual Adoration and have trained up almost overnight veritable apostles who work most effectively in contacting careless Catholics and non-Catholics. He quotes from one letter he received:

". . . Last August my assistant and I talked the idea over, and decided that Perpetual Adoration without exposition sounded like the answer to our particular problems. Though we don't have a debt, we have many spiritual problems: too few vocations; only an average attendance at daily Mass and weekly Communion; marriage difficulties . . . Then there's the danger of atomic War and catastrophe. What are we doing to prevent it? The Blessed Mother requests prayer and sacrifice. Only lately, at Lipa, she told the world her requests have not been answered. For all these reasons we decided that Holy Hours before the Blessed Sacrament would be the most perfect way of solving our own as well as world problems."

"On August 16, 1949, we personally contacted our daily communicants and told them of our desire to begin Perpetual Adoration in the parish and the reasons for doing so. Within twenty-four hours the first seventeen (twelve of whom are members of the Legion of Mary) contacted us, and most happily pledged a daily Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament . . . The response was most gratifying."

". . . We asked the women not to make their Holy Hour after 10 p.m., that only men should make the nocturnal adoration between the hours of 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. . . . In the meantime, from our pulpit we preached the necessity of prayer and sacrifice, the very conditions the Blessed Mother lately requested at Lipa for the conversion of Russia. We reminded our people of the need for reparation to Christ for the ingratitude, sacrileges and blasphemies He daily suffers in the Sacrament of Love . . . Practically every person contacted was enthusiastic about Perpetual Adoration and wanted to sign up for at least one hour a week."

". . . To hear some of the comments made by those who are making their Holy Hours is most inspiring. A young fellow in his twenties who has a swing shift **delights in keeping a nightly Holy Hour** . . . 'Father, call me anytime if someone doesn't come; it is great at 2 a.m. to be alone with God. It helps a fellow to collect his thoughts and to think straight.'

". . . It is still early to tabulate the effects this wonderful program is having on our people and our priestly work. However, so far we have seen the number of those applying for instructions doubled; Communion is definitely on the increase, daily and weekly; four of our boys have lately stated their desire to pursue a religious vocation . . . If there were no other fruit reaped from our work these past few months than the joy of seeing the faith of our people in the True Presence revived, that alone would be sufficient returns for our labors."

It is worth-while noting that pastors who begin Perpetual Adoration usually contact first their daily and frequent communicants. At Notre Dame there are approximately 1500 or more of them . . . Some day your pastor may contact you to help him form the nucleus around which this devotion will be inaugurated. Thank God! We do have at Notre Dame men to be contacted, many of them worthy of their salt. "You are the salt of the earth"--and the saltier the better in our book.

Prayers: (deceased uncle of Rev. James Leahy CSC; brother of Joe Dolaney (Alu); son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. O'Brien; Mr. M. Tibauth; Mr. John Coakely; mother of Ed Cronin, '30; father-in-law of Ed Sargus (Law School) Ill friend of J. Boyd (Ho); aunt of Bro. Emory (Fire Dept.)