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ASSOCIATION OF THE EUCHARISTIC WEEKS

I. - Reason and need for the Work.

This work has for its special object the honor of Our Lord, perpetually exposed upon the altar. Solemn and Perpetual Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is the first end of the Congregation, and in all its chapels wherever they may be, exposition and adoration is continued day and night, attended by all the pomp and royal splendor that are due to the presence of the King of Heaven and earth. Hundreds of waxed tapers burn upon the altar, and rare flowers at any season, exhale their perfume to honor the King of kings.

The motives that urge us to this devotion are: Gratitude for the abiding presence of Jesus, the source of untold blessings. The desire to compensate our Lord for the humiliations and contempt heaped on Him, particularly during His Passion and for the insults and sacrileges offered to Him in the Sacrament of His love.

The work of Exposition is also truly apostolic in impressing most powerfully upon the minds of sinners, the Reality of Christ's Presence and the love that keeps Him a Captive. Wonderful conversions have thus been wrought. It gives to the faithful also, the grace of expressing the Most tender and personal love for our Lord by affording an opportunity to relieve His poverty, and solace the loneliness of His Eucharistic state. These, thefore, are some of the reasons why the Congregation perpetuates and solemnizes the royal service of the Blessed Sacrament.

II. - Organization of the Work.

Membership imposes no additional devotions, the only obligation is the enrollment of one's name (Christian and surname,)