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## Notifications

Every last Monday of a month prayer meetings will be held in Germany. The holy Mass will be celebrated for the living and deceased sisters and brothers of the Marian Blessing Circle. Father Aniceth Mosha ALCP/OSS also includes all daily in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

**Please inform us of any change of address and of members who have died. Thank you very much!**

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## Dear brothers and sisters in the MBC,

in this distressed times, we would like to turn to our Heavenly Mother with the following prayer: „O MARY, conceived without sin, pray for us who take refuge in You and for all who do not take refuge in You, especially for the enemies of the Church and all those who are recommended to You.“  
(St. Maximilian Kolbe)

Through the intercession of the Immaculate Heart of MARY, may the Triune GOD, the FATHER and the SON and the HOLY SPIRIT bless + and keep us.

Prayerfully united with Marian greetings  
on behalf of all employees of the secretariats

Monika Paffhausen  
chairwoman

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## The Eucharistic Blessing

*Dear members of the Marian Blessing Circle!*

**The feast of CORPUS CHRISTI was a special trigger for Eucharistic devotion.**

St. Juliana of Liège (1192–1258) saw in mystical visions that a feast was lacking in the Church year for the special veneration of the „living body of the LORD“ (Corpus Christi). With perseverance she obtained the introduction of this feast in 1246 in the diocese of Liège in Belgium. The archdeacon of Liège, Jacques Pantaléon, became Pope Urban IV in 1261. On August 11, 1264, he extended the CORPUS CHRISTI feast to the universal Church with the Bull Transiturus. The feast was associated with a procession for the first time in the city of Cologne, Germany. The Church celebrates the permanent presence of JESUS CHRIST in the sacrament of the altar, according to the promise of JESUS in Matthew 28:20: „Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the world.“



Monstrance of the Monastery  
Church of Perpetual Adoration in  
Innsbruck, Austria.

**Influenced by CORPUS CHRISTI, the Eucharistic or Sacramental Blessing is born.**

This blessing is known to be given by the priest or deacon. In a monstrance (Latin *monstrare*/show) a consecrated host is shown behind glass. CHRIST, Who is truly, really, and →

essentially present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar with Body and Blood, is „displayed“ so that we can see and adore HIM. After a devotion or during a procession, the priest or deacon blesses the faithful with the monstrance. He makes the sign of the cross with the monstrance. We cross ourselves at the same time.

### **When we receive the Eucharistic Blessing, CHRIST blesses us.**

When we receive the Sacramental Blessing, it is not a priestly blessing, but CHRIST blesses us. That is why the festive vestments with the blessing velum. That is why incense and altar bells. We can believe that JESUS looks at us personally and blesses us. Those who have been to the Marian shrine of Lourdes know the grace of the Eucharistic Blessing, especially during the daily blessing of the sick. Here the sick are blessed individually or in small groups with the Blessed Sacrament. Healings have been proven to occur here. CHRIST blesses. Your faith has helped you. Go in peace!

### **Bread from heaven You have given them.**

So sings the priest or deacon before giving the blessing. This phrase indicates that it is not earthly bread, but JESUS in the transformed host that is given to us for salvation. „Having all sweetness within it“, we respond. JESUS is, after all, our joy and our salvation. He refreshes us. And the priest or deacon sings the Oration: Lord JESUS CHRIST, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood help us to experience the salvation you won for us and the peace of the kingdom where you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

This closes the circle: because this prayer for the Eucharistic Blessing is also the daily prayer of the Feast of Corpus CHRISTI.

Greetings and blessings to all in the name of the + FATHER and the + SON and the + HOLY SPIRIT! Amen.

Your  
Monsignore Michael Haupt

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## **Let us pray!**

Most HOLY TRINITY, FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT, I adore You profoundly, and I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of JESUS CHRIST, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference with which He Himself is offended. And, through the infinite merits of His most Sacred Heart, and the Immaculate Heart of MARY, I beg of You the conversion of poor sinners. *Amen. (Prayer of the angel at Fatima)*

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## **The Pope's prayer intentions**

**October 2022:** We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

**November 2022:** We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

**December 2022:** We pray that volunteer non-profit organisations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

**January 2023:** We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

**February 2023:** We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

**March 2023:** We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

**April 2023:** We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

**May 2023:** We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.