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## **Pope Urges the Practice of Eucharistic Adoration**

Says Silence Is Needed in Scattered World

VATICAN CITY, JUNE 10, 2007 ([Zenit.org](http://Zenit.org)).- Benedict XVI recommends the practice of Eucharistic adoration, saying that the capacity for interior silence and recollection is ever more important in life that is often "noisy and scattered."

The Pope said this today after praying the Angelus with crowds gathered in St. Peter's Square. His address centered on the Eucharist, as many nations celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi today.

"Even after the celebration of the divine mysteries, the Lord Jesus remains living in the tabernacle; because of this he is praised, especially by Eucharistic adoration," the Holy Father said.

"There is an intrinsic connection between celebration and adoration. The holy Mass, in fact, is in itself the Church's greatest act of adoration," he added. "Adoration outside holy Mass prolongs and intensifies what happened in the liturgical celebration and renders a true and profound



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reception of Christ possible.

"I would like to take the opportunity that today's solemnity offers me to strongly recommend to pastors and all the faithful the practice of Eucharistic adoration."

Benedict XVI noted that youth are showing great interest in adoration.

"I invite priests to encourage youth groups in this, but also to accompany them to ensure that the forms of adoration are appropriate and dignified, with sufficient times for silence and listening to the word of God," the Pope said.

He continued: "In life today, which is often noisy and scattered, it is more important than ever to recover the capacity for interior silence and recollection: Eucharistic adoration permits one to do this not only within one's 'I' but rather in the company of that 'You' full of love who is Jesus Christ, 'the God who is near us.'"

"May the Virgin Mary, Eucharistic Woman, lead us into the secret of true adoration. Her heart, humble and silent, was always recollected around the mystery of Jesus, in whom she worshipped the presence of God and his redemptive love



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### **Minutes of Serra Club of South Palm Beach County Board Meeting**

**Date:** Tuesday, July 24, 2007

**Place:** St. Vincent Ferrer

**Present:** Jim Anderson; Veronica Comrie; Michael Farenga; Barbara Hostomsky; Nancy Noonan; Lon Phillips; Robert Venezia

**Absent:** Fr. Joe Kuczborski; John McGillicuddy; Richard Park; Richard Siegel; Larry Winker

**Call to Order:** Jim Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and opened with our Serran prayer.

**Approval of Minutes:** Bob Venezia moved, seconded by Lon Phillips to approve the minutes as prepared and emailed by Nancy Noonan. Motion approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jim Anderson reported that Dick Park said we had some members who had not sent in their 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter dues.

**Seminarian group picture "baseball" card format:** Jim Anderson recapped the program highlights. The meeting with Fr. Yves to discuss this plan is set for Friday, July 27 at 10 a.m. at his office in Palm Beach Gardens. Jim Anderson, Larry Winker, Veronica Comrie and Barbara Hostomsky will attend.

**Change of time for board meeting:**

All board members in attendance were pleased with the change to a 7 p.m. start.

**Review of Newsletter Workshop:** Bob Venezia took us through the 20 point summary from our recent workshop.

Michael Farenga will email his bio to Dick Park for inclusion in the August newsletter. Jim Anderson suggested we send our previously published bios into Dick for inclusion again. Nancy Noonan suggested having bios on our members who are not on the board. Everyone agreed this will help us get to know one another.

**Day of Reflection:** Michael said he is still targeting second or third Saturday in October. Cannot firm up till end of August/early September.

**Membership:** Barbara Hostomsky and Rosemary Venezia will meet to discuss our membership drive. The time/place will be announced so that other members including our officers can attend.

**Programs:** Veronica reported we are all set with speakers.

**Communications:** Bob Venezia reported that there was an excellent article and photo about our Serra Club in the current Florida Catholic. He monitors the SI and Serra USA websites. 7/31 - call for prayers for the meeting called by SI to discuss with the USA Council a Serra reorganization. 8/9-12 conven-



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tion. 10/28 - Priesthood Sunday. 9/16 - Catechetical Sunday. 10/5-6 District 86 will have a convention in Pensacola.

Jim Anderson complimented/thanked Bob for his efforts.

**Trustee:** Jim Anderson thanked Lon Phillips for becoming trustee. He will serve out Susan Cutaia' term.

**Convention:** Barbara Hostomsky advised in writing that she will not be able to attend the convention because of personal reasons. Since she was our delegate we will need to appoint another person. Veronica Comrie will also not be able to attend. Fernande Camino and Richard Siegel will attend.

**Other Business:** Jim Anderson and Lon Phillips confirmed the Affirmation dinner will be held at Ascension.

**Adjournment** - 8 p.m. Jim Anderson closed the meeting with our Serran prayer.

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## **Meet a Serran**

Michael Farenga was born in NYC September 2, 1942. A product of Catholic education including the Sisters of Charity in grammar school, Irish Christian, and Marist brothers and diocesan priests at Cardinal

Hayes HS and Manhattan College. After college obtained a Mortuary Science degree from American Academy. Entered the family business as a New York State licensed funeral director in 1963. Continued to expand and eventually owned and operated 6 funeral homes under the Farenga family name including one in Hallandale Beach, Fl. To this day maintains both NY & FL. licenses. IN 1986 life took a new turn, he married Annette at Vail Co. A year later they moved to the Boca Raton area. On a whim both Michael & Annette decided to become real estate agents. Since 1987 they have been successful realtors in the Boca/Delray Area. Presently they are associated with RE Max Services on NO. Federal Highway in Boca Raton. Michael's hobbies include boating and fishing. Two years ago he was introduced to Serra at a Girl's Night Out event. He soon became involved in So. Palm Beach County Serra Club. He has organized Days of Reflection in the spring and fall at St. Vincent de Paul Seminary. He is currently VP of Vocations



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and a board of director member. He is a parishioner of Ascension Church where he & Annette were married by Fr, Charles Hawkins in the Catholic Church. They are Eucharistic ministers and are involved in many activities at Ascension and the Serra Club.

Dear God, How did you know  
you were God?  
Charlene

## ***Serra Talks 2007-2008***

	<i><b>Date</b></i>	<i><b>Speaker</b></i>
Children comments to God	8/7/07	Rabbi Jessica Spitalnic Brockman Associate Rabbi, Temple Beth El
Dear God, Please put another holiday between Christmas and Easter. There is nothing good in there now. Ginny	9/4/07	Sr Carleen & Sr. Katie Sisters of Notre Dame St. Ann's Place
Dear God, Thank you for the baby brother but what I asked for was a puppy. I never asked for anything before. You can look it up. Joyce	10/2/07	John Dean Charismatic Prayer Group St. Helen's Church
Dear Mr. God, I wish you would not make it so easy for people to come apart. I had to have 3 stitches and a shot. Janet	11//07	Fr. Hubert / St. Matthew Church St. Matthew RC Church
	12/4/07	Fr. John D'Mello Interfaith Group



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