



TEC Family Adoration

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“TEC FAMILY ADORATION” UNITES TEC COMMUNITIES IN PRAYER

FESTUS, MO, APRIL 25, 2007 - The TEC Conference invites each of its 67 faith communities to pray together before the Blessed Sacrament one day each month as part of “TEC Family Adoration.” Initiated by Northwest TEC (Diocese of Peoria, Ill.), this new prayer endeavor unites all TEC members in prayer for the young people of the Church, adult leaders and the TEC Movement.

“Pope Benedict XVI and the late Pope John Paul II were both strong proponents of Eucharistic Adoration,” said TEC Conference Director Ronald Reiter. “Because the Eucharist is at the heart of not only the Catholic faith, but the TEC Movement as well, this is an important way to bring the entire TEC Family together across the country and beyond.”

TEC, an acronym for Teens, Twenties, Troops, To and Together Encounter Christ, is a Catholic movement of spirituality for older adolescents and young adults. Founded in the Lansing, Mich. Diocese in 1965, TEC helps 8,000 young people each year deepen their relationship with Christ and discern their vocation within the larger Church. TEC is affiliated with the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry; National Catholic Young Adult Ministry Association; and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops through its Episcopal Moderator Archbishop Roger L. Schwietz, OMI, Anchorage, Alaska.

Northwest TEC member Ginny Pettit, who helped launch the TEC Family Adoration program in November, believes “we can do much to assist our TEC family by designating a time each month to pray. What better way than through Eucharistic Adoration? I am hopeful that the Holy Spirit will use our prayers to bring many more teens and young adults to Christ through TEC,” explained Pettit, a wife and mother of six in Geneseo, Ill.

TEC communities participating in the prayer effort are asked to remember the following intentions:

- for the TEC Movement in the U.S. and abroad;
- for the teams and candidates of upcoming weekends locally and around the world; and
- that the Holy Spirit will continue to use TEC to further the kingdom of God on earth.

TEC Family Adoration can easily fit into an existing Eucharistic Adoration

time at a local parish or with a religious community. “Our end goal is to have at least one TEC praying before the Blessed Sacrament each day of the month. We would ask that each TEC community to let the Conference know when they are meeting so we can inform other groups who may want to join them,” said Reiter. “We also want to open up TEC Family Adoration to the entire Church and thank everyone in advance for their prayers.”

To date, besides Northwest TEC, two other TEC communities are also participating in the prayer effort: Spirit of St. Louis TEC (Archdiocese of St. Louis) and Peoria, Ill. TEC.

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