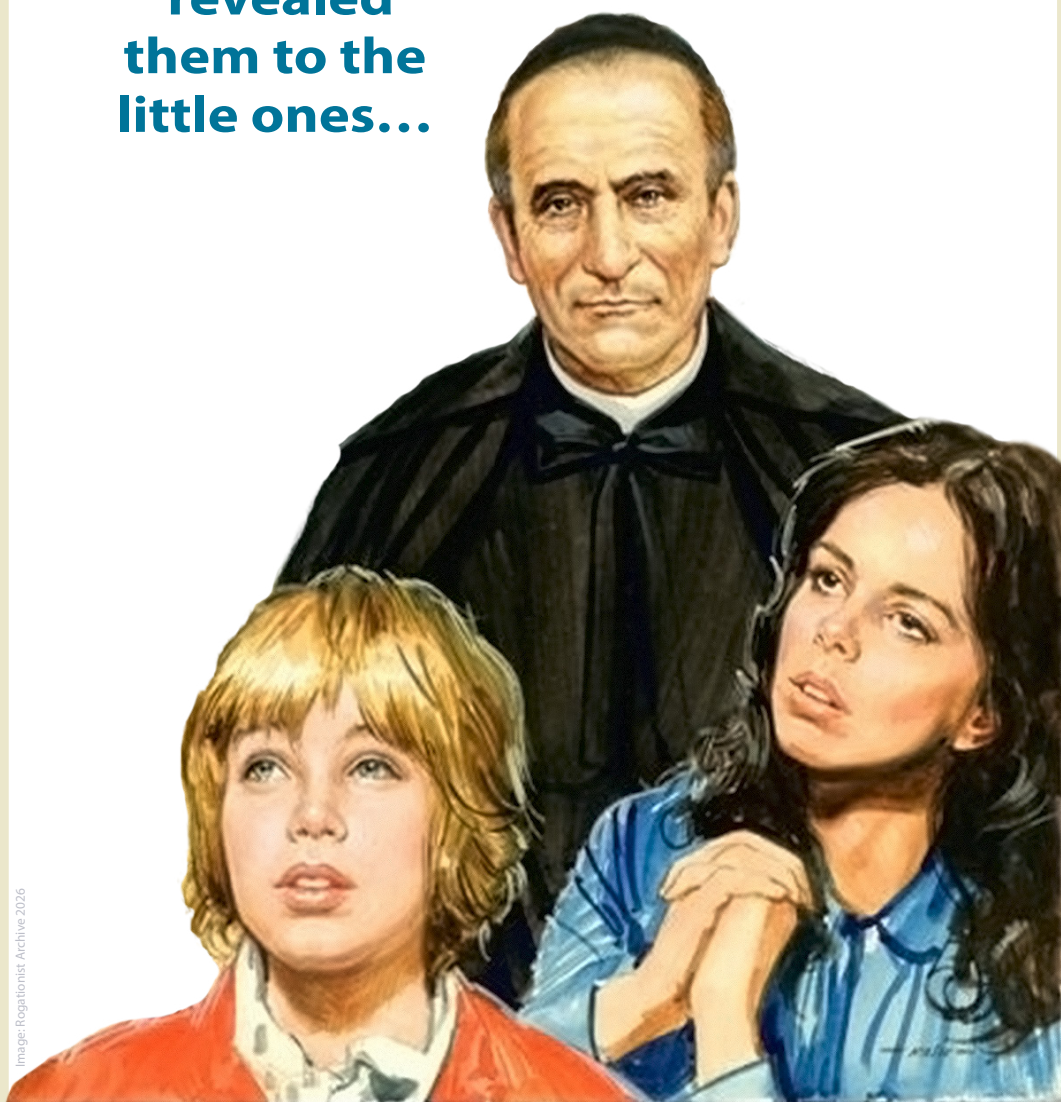


EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS



**You have
revealed
them to the
little ones...**



1. INTRODUCTION

Leader: Today's Gospel reminds us that God reveals Himself to the little ones, the simple, and those whose hearts are free from pretension and open to grace. This is the path that Saint Hannibal pointed out to the Rogationist Family: to welcome the Father's will with humility, to let ourselves be guided by Christ who is meek and humble of heart, and to become instruments of His compassion for the poorest and most abandoned.

As we journey toward the Centenary of his Transitus, let us ask for the grace to learn from him this evangelical littleness, which opens the heart to mission and makes our prayer for vocations fruitful.

Let us welcome the Lord who comes among us, as we lift our hearts in song.

(Silent Adoration)

2. CHORAL PRAYER

All: Lord, who reveal Yourself to the little ones and grant the meek the inheritance of Your Kingdom, make us poor, free, and exultant, capable of bearing with You the sweet yoke of love.

Create within us the listening silence, open our hearts to Your Word, so that in the light of Your wisdom we may know how to discern what passes away and what remains, what is Yours and what does not lead to You.

Make us witnesses of Your presence, a source of fraternity, justice, and peace. Amen.

3. LISTENING TO THE WORD

Leader: In the Gospel we are about to hear, Jesus reveals to us the heart of the Father: a God who gives Himself to the little ones, who draws near to the weary, and who refreshes those who bear burdens too great to carry. Let us welcome this Word with simplicity, allowing the meekness and humility of Christ to enlighten our vocational journey.

From the Gospel According to Matthew (Matt. 11:25-30)

At that time Jesus said in reply, "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike. Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him. "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for your selves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Brief moment of silence.

4. COMMUNITY REFLECTION

Leader: The Gospel shows us Jesus at the moment of His first great failure. Yet, precisely there, He blesses the Father: not because everything is going well,

but because He recognizes that the will of God is fulfilled through the little ones, not through the powerful.

Reader: Jesus does not allow Himself to be defined by rejection. He transforms failure into praise, disappointment into trust, and weariness into filial abandonment. This is the logic of the little ones: those who do not rely on their own strength, but on the Father; those who do not measure the value of the mission by results, but by fidelity.

It is the very same logic that Saint Hannibal lived out in his ministry among the poor of Avignone: the certainty that God works through what is humble, hidden, and simple. For this reason, he could say: "The Rogate is everything: it is the salvation of humanity." A statement born from a heart that was small, yet burning with zeal.

Reader: Jesus affirms that the Father reveals the mysteries of the Kingdom to the little ones. Not to the wise, not to the powerful, but to those who have a free and trusting heart. This is the same path that the Rogationist Family is called to walk: a mission born from humility, prayer, and compassion.

God made Himself small, poor, meek, and least. He chose to reveal Himself not through force, but through tenderness. And whoever welcomes this revelation becomes capable of bringing refreshment to the weary, of being a consoling presence, of accompanying young people in vocational discernment, and of praying with faith for good laborers for the harvest.

On the journey toward the Centenary of the Transitus of Saint Hannibal, we feel even more strongly the invitation to renew our evangelical littleness, because only a humble heart can welcome the Rogate and become its herald.

Moment of silence for reflection

All: Jesus, reveal the Father to us. Grant that, by contemplating You, we may learn to know His face, to recognize His will, and to live as beloved children. Grant us a simple heart, capable of trusting, listening, and loving. Make us docile disciples in Your school, ready to bring refreshment to those who are weary and oppressed, and to pray with faith for the vocations for which the Church waits. Amen.

Hymn / Song

Leader: The religion proclaimed by Jesus is the most liberating because it is the most human: a God who draws near, who makes Himself small, who becomes a companion. A God who does not crush, but lifts up; who does not impose, but invites; who does not weigh us down, but refreshes us.

Reader: His yoke is sweet because it is the yoke of love. It is the yoke that Saint Hannibal bore with joy, consuming his life for the little ones, for the poor, and for vocations. It is the yoke that the Rogationist Family is called to bear today: a yoke that does not crush, but liberates; that does not weary, but gives meaning; that does not close us in, but opens us to mission.

From the Writings of Saint Hannibal

Since this Pious Work is dedicated to the salvation of children, I will do everything that holy Obedience permits me to dedicate myself to their well-being, whether they live in our houses or outside of them. In my heart, I will cherish a deep desire for the salvation of all the children of the world, and I will present it with fervent prayer to the Most Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

I will love and respect the poor of Jesus Christ with a spirit of faith and charity, recognizing them as suffering members of the Mystical Body of Christ our Lord. I will always keep in mind how Jesus exalted the poor, affirming that whatever we do to them, we do to Himself. It will pain me to see how the world, often ignorant and lost, rejects and despises them—and how, unfortunately, many Christians do the same.

I, on the other hand, as long as they walk on the path of salvation, will consider them great, noble, and precious in the eyes of God, remembering that divine word: “Honorabile apud Deum nomen eorum” — “Honorable in the sight of God is their name.” I will live out this love by suffering along with them even when they prove to be difficult, succoring them and ensuring they receive aid, serving them when necessary, helping them in whatever way I can, and above all, evangelizing them and drawing them closer to God.

In the same way, I will be attentive and compassionate toward the sick and the dying, knowing that in these works of charity is found the greatest pleasure of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The most perfect observance of the commandment of love toward one’s neighbor is the most effective means for my sanctification. (Writings, vol. 44, p. 113ff)

Silent Adoration

5. PRAYER FOR GOOD LABORERS

(All Kneel)

Leader: “Come to me...” Jesus says to us. It is from Him that we can learn how to love with humility and meekness, not to lose heart, and to align ourselves with God’s side—the side “of those who lose for love” to find true life.

All Together:

We thank You, Lord, for Your Word has given us a deeper understanding of the Father’s will. Grant that Your Spirit may enlighten our actions and impart to us the strength to carry out what Your Word has shown us. Grant that we, like Mary Your Mother, may not only listen to but also put Your Word into practice. Give us the simplicity of the humble, that we may respond generously to Your plan of love for each of us. Send forth humble and generous apostles who entrust themselves entirely to You, to accompany young people in the discernment of their vocation. Amen.

Eucharistic Benediction

Final Hymn



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