

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

BLESSED JOHN PAUL II CHAPEL



Adoration Schedule

Our adoration chapel is open to guardians or other parishioners at any time, as long as they have obtained the keypad combination from the parish office. Currently, we have 40 hours of adoration scheduled each week where the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed. There are at least two guardians scheduled for each hour during exposition; however, there is still a need for more guardians and substitutes. If you would like to sign up as a guardian and/or substitute, please contact the parish office. The schedule for exposition is as follows:

Mondays from 8:30am-7:00pm, Wednesdays from 2:00pm-6:00pm, Fridays from 8:30am through Saturday 10:00am. On the 4th Monday of each month, our Hispanic Community will have community adoration in the Church from 6:00-7:00pm. And on First Fridays, exposition in the chapel will be suspended from 9:00pm-2:00am for our Two Hearts devotion. We will also continue with our parish adoration in the Church every Wednesday from 5:00-6:00pm.

Entering the Chapel

All guardians should enter the building from the exterior entrance door on Hawkins St. (located at the walkway between the church and the Administrative Building). There will be a keypad combination lock on this door. **(Guardians and substitutes should receive this code via email or letter and should not disseminate this code to anyone. Nor should guardians allow entrance to individuals who knock on the door unless it is certain that they are parishioners. Any other parishioners wishing to gain access to the chapel should contact the parish office to obtain the code).** Once guardians enter the building, they should sign in on the time sheet located inside on the podium and enter the chapel via the door next to the podium. Guardians should **not** enter the chapel from inside the church via the door in the sanctuary (near the altar). This door should remain locked at all times unless there is a need to use the restroom in the church. If there is a need to use the restroom, guardians may enter the church via the door leading into the sanctuary area and return via this door as well. Once the guardian returns, this door should be locked again.

Exiting the Chapel

Guardians should exit the chapel via the same door from which they entered. If there are no other guardians in the chapel when leaving (the guardians assigned to the following hour have not arrived), the guardian should cover the monstrance with the gold cloth kept on the bookshelf at the back of the chapel. (When the next guardian arrives he or she should simply uncover the monstrance and lay the cloth back on the bookshelf).

Inside the Chapel

Guardians should maintain a quiet, reverent disposition inside the chapel. Please remember to keep cellphones on silent while inside the chapel. There is a standalone HVAC unit, which may be adjusted to the appropriate temperature. However, we ask that you please try to compromise as best as you can with regard to comfortable temperatures. There is no food or drink allowed inside the chapel.

Procedure for Finding Substitutes

If you are aware in advance that you will not be able to make your assigned hour, we ask that you please notify your appropriate coordinator, and he or she will contact the other guardian(s) assigned to your hour to make sure they will be able to be there, or they will find another substitute if necessary.

Monday Hours – Joyce Laird – 706-344-9083, Wednesday Hours – Loyce Brown – 706-864-9802

Friday Hours – Carol O’Leksy – 706-974-6977, Saturday Hours – Leisa Thigpen – 912-547-1387

Two Hearts – Gary Caprara – 706-864-4560, Hispanic Community – Javier Martinez - 706-973-7696

“The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic worship. Jesus waits for us in this Sacrament of Love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith and ready to make reparation for the great faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease.”(Pope John Paul II, *Dominicae Cenae*, February 1980)