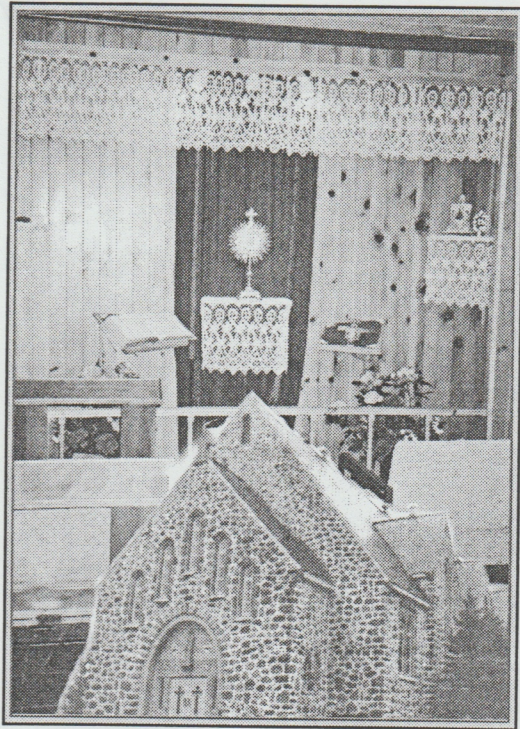


# GALLERY OF ADORATION CHAPELS IN CANADA

## *Notre-Dame-du-Sourire Chapel Sainte-Thérèse de l'Enfant Jésus in Beauport, Québec*



It was shortly after the reliquary of St. Theresa visited the Sainte Thérèse de l'Enfant-Jésus parish in Beauport, that the *Notre-Dame-du-Sourire Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel* was officially opened on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2002.

Why did we give it this name? Because the statue of Our Lady, which was so venerated in the home of Little Theresa, became animated and approached her, penetrating her soul with her ravishing smile. At that very moment, Theresa was healed of all blockages which had prevented her from progressing spiritually. As we all know, she became a Saint...and even a Doctor of the Church.

Upon entering this minute chapel, located at the south end of the church, one is astonished to note the absence of a tabernacle. That's because this chapel is the tabernacle where Jesus invites and

awaits each one of us who is willing to say "Fiat." It is in this former "storage room" that our previous pastor, while praying with the founding team, declared in faith that we would be praying here 24 hours on the hour.

Our parish, which was first in North America to be given St. Theresa of the Child Jesus as our patron Saint, has approximately 30 000 parishioners, mostly young families. Hundreds of people come to the chapel each week to adore our Eucharistic Jesus, to present their personal petitions to Him and to pray for their loved. We already note a remarkable renewal of fervor in our beautiful parish.



*N-Dame du Sourire*

When our church was first founded, in 1925, already the sisters from a neighbouring monastery would walk many kilometers to come and pray to the Little Flower.

Many lay persons also inform us that they come from quite a distance to entrust their sufferings and their needs to Jesus and to St. Theresa. ■



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