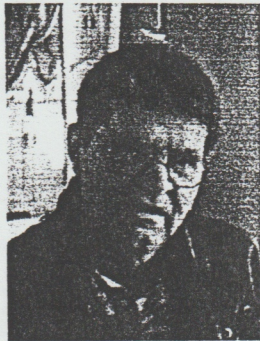
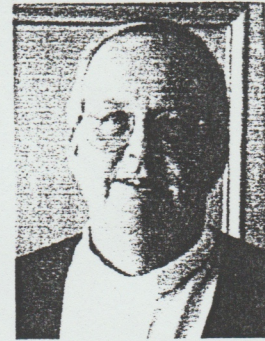


GALLERY OF ADORATION CHAPELS IN CANADA

SAINT JULIAN'S CHAPEL - CORNWALL, ONT.



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A Spiritual Oasis for Thirsting Souls

Two thousand and one years ago, Jesus became a man and walked on the face of the earth to heal the sick, to pardon sinners and to bring love and faith back to lost souls. After his crucifixion and death, many people thought they would never feel, see, or touch Christ again. But for us who believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, there is always something to look forward to, for Jesus is always present, never changing, whether we go to Mass or visit Him in the adoration chapel. Not all places have the privilege of having a *Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel*. Cornwall is one of the few who does, thanks to the effort of the vigilant faithful in our community, led by Ed Lauzon, who made this possible, with the strong support of Father Kevin Maloney.

On August 1, 1998, the diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall officially opened the Saint-Julian's Chapel. It is located in the parish hall behind St. Columban's Church in Cornwall. Named after St. Peter Julian Eymard, the saint of the Holy Eucharist and founder of the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament, this chapel has so far drawn adorers from nearby parishes as well as outside of Cornwall. An average of 500 to 550 adorers per week come to keep Our Lord company, and hundreds of visitors drop in during the day or at night to greet Jesus or just to say Hi, to let Him know that "we are thankful, or that *"we need You Lord in our midst."*

There have been wonderful testimonies from adorers and their families and friends since the Chapel was opened. It has served as a real spiritual oasis for everyone, especially for those who are in need of quiet time to have an intimate conversation with Christ. Little children, young men and women, seniors, priests, busy professionals and workers all go there at one point in time or another, during the day or in the evening. In the record books located at the entrance, some write down their petitions or intentions, as well as favors they wish to thank God for - which is an indication of their faith that God is there to listen and talk to them. All those who have come to converse with Jesus leave the adoration chapel spiritually renewed, hopeful and optimistically ready to face a whole new day again.

- Sophia Reyes-Léger -