

Commonly Approved Locations for Adoration and Exposition of the Eucharist

1. In a chapel distinct from the main body of the church

“The best location for Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is in a chapel. It creates an atmosphere of **quiet** and intimacy with Our Lord and can easily be kept warm in the winter. If the church does not have a chapel any small room can be used; a cry room, the altar boys' sacristy, a room in the rectory. A chapel may be created by an extension outward from the church building or within the confines of the church building.” (Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Handbook Guidelines)

<http://www.therealpresence.org/eucharst/pea/handbook.html>)

2. In the main body of the church

Parishes can still have extended exposition if they don't have a separate chapel. A Monstrance can be placed on an Altar especially in parishes that have limited hours and when no room is possible to convert, renovate or build. However, adoration can only take place there, when other activities like Mass, weddings, funerals and communal Stations of the Cross do not take place. (Code of Canon Law CIC 941§2)

When possible, the Church encourages pastors to keep parishes open for prayer (CIC 937.)