

**CONFRATERNITY OF EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION
DIOCESE OF OAKLAND
INFORMATION & APPLICATION**

WHAT IS REQUIRED FOR MEMBERSHIP?

Everyone, young and old and in between may enjoy membership. Priests, deacons and religious as well as the laity may join. Eligibility for membership only requires that one be in full communion with the Roman Catholic Church and have a desire to give honor and glory to the Lord by means of Eucharistic devotions.

WHAT DOES A MEMBER COMMIT TO?

- ❖ Reverently participate at Mass, at least on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, if able, and encourage others in the Diocese to do the same.
- ❖ Pray before the Blessed Sacrament for other members of the Confraternity, their intentions and the undertakings and intentions of the Confraternity as a body,
- ❖ Pray the Confraternity prayer daily, especially when praying before the Blessed Sacrament,
- ❖ Make one's best effort to attend periodic Masses scheduled for the membership of the Confraternity,
- ❖ Make one's best effort, considering the duties of one's state in life, to participate in any opportunities to further the purposes of this Confraternity as stated herein as they present themselves, especially by direct witness to other Catholics.
- ❖ Financially support the Confraternity if possible.

CONFRATERNITY PRAYER

All glory, praise and adoration
be to You Lord Jesus Christ,
present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar,
on the throne of Heaven,
and in the hearts of Your faithful people.
I love You.
May Your boundless mercy be upon us
and upon the whole world.
Amen.

BENEFITS TO MEMBERS

The benefits to members are primarily of a spiritual nature as members partake in the prayers and offerings of those to whom they are associated.

TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP: Please send your application to:
CEDDO, c/o Oakland Cathedral, 2121 Harrison St., Ste 100, Oakland, CA 94612.

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OAKLAND**
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____
Title: (Circle one) Mr./Mrs./Ms./Fr./Sr./Bro. _____
Address _____ Zip _____
Telephone Number _____ E-mail address _____
Parish _____ City _____

I declare that I am in full communion with the Roman Catholic Church and
hereby agree to the commitments of a member of The Confraternity of
Eucharistic Devotion, Diocese of Oakland, as described above.

(Signed) _____ Date: _____

--- THIS PAGE MAY BE DUPLICATED FOR ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS ---

PURPOSE

The goals and objectives of the Confraternity of Eucharistic Devotion, Diocese of Oakland (“the Confraternity”), are as follows:

1. to deepen in the members of this Confraternity, and in the Diocese of Oakland, reverence and love for the Holy Eucharist -- the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ -- in the Sacrifice of the Mass and in Eucharistic Adoration;
2. to foster spiritual growth in Confraternity members through devotion to the Blessed Sacrament in their daily lives and with their families, especially with reverent participation at Mass;
3. to encourage wider Mass attendance; to encourage and support the practice of *Eucharistic Adoration* of the exposed Blessed Sacrament, whereby worship is rendered to God the Father through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit by individuals in Catholic parishes, institutions and affiliated organizations; to promote the establishment of Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration.
4. to be at the service of the Bishop of the Diocese of Oakland in promoting Eucharistic devotional events throughout the Diocese.
5. to encourage, organize, and participate in various Eucharistic devotions in parishes/deaneries, which may include, but not be limited to, Eucharistic processions, Forty Hours Devotion, Eucharistic Adoration on the Thursday evenings before First Fridays, Holy Thursday nighttime Eucharistic Adoration in parishes, Holy Hours with organized prayer or song before the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle;
6. to make reparation for sins committed, especially by sacrilege and irreverence to the Most Blessed Sacrament;

7. to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life and to invoke Divine protection and grace for the clergy, Religious and all those preparing for the Lord's service;
8. to increase devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Eucharistic Lord, the first to bear His Real Presence in the world, and the Mother of all whom He has called to be His brothers and sisters.

The apostolate of the Confraternity is thus both contemplative and active in nature and directed to the sanctification of the Diocese of Oakland, and of the members of the Confraternity who thereby seek to exercise more perfectly the theological virtues and give an example of Christian life and virtue.

4.18.2006