Pulpit Talk for Adoration Chapel June 24/25 2017

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**In Philippians 4:6-7 St Paul gives us true wisdom:**

**He wrote: “*Don’t worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need and be sure to thank Him for all he has done. If you do this, you will experience God’s peace, which passes all understanding*.”**

**God’s peace; how we need it. How our world needs it!**

**All of us are here this (morning/afternoon/evening) for just one reason: Jesus. We long for Him. We need Him. We are troubled: We need His peace that passes understanding. We ask Him to protect our loved ones. We want to be closer to Him, to feel His love, to give us courage and strength.**

**And, we are restless, searching for….something. We’ve discovered that *things*…..new cars, big vacations, new clothes, another TV set satisfy us only a short while and then again this indefinable longing comes back to us. Why is this? This longing we continually experience is for Jesus.**

**St Augustine said it best: *“Oh Lord, we were meant for Thee, and our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee”* (repeat)**

**At the end of our lives, each of us will stand before Jesus and the words we long to hear Him tell us: “*Well done, good and faithful servant. Come and dwell with me”***

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**How do you find Jesus? How do you get to know Him? How do you hear Him speak to your heart? *By spending quiet prayer time with Him.* The world is so noisy, how do we find a quiet place for prayer?**

**Just down the walkway, through that door ( point to door) is our Adoration Chapel, a quiet, peaceful place to pray. It’s open Monday through Saturday, 9am to midnight. Jesus is there waiting for you to come be with Him, even if it is just for a few minutes.**

**Jesus knows what’s in your heart. He already knows your needs. *But, you have to pray for His help!* That’s how it works.**

**I’m here to invite you to come to our Adoration Chapel just one hour a week, give Jesus a present of your precious time to be with Him, tell Him what is in your heart, let Him give you peace and comfort. The peace only He can give.**

**There are slips in your pews. (Hold one up). Please, Mass will begin in just a few minutes. while I’m speaking, take one, fill it out and give it to me outside.**

**If you do this, you will find, as I have found, as many others at St Angela’s have found, it will be the best hour of your week. I promise you that.**

**So again, please, right now, before Mass starts, fill out a slip and give it to me outside. Trust me, you’ll be glad you did.**

**Now, I know you are busy. You have a job, you have kids, grass to cut, meals to cook, cars to fix. *You feel you don’t have enough time*. But think of this, the average American spends 27 hours a week just watching Television. That’s 27 of your hours every week, for what? Situation comedies, news, soap operas, game shows?**

**Consider this: How about giving up just one of those TV hours to come visit Jesus? Give up just one hour of your TV time and instead come be with Jesus. One-on-one with him, you can tell him what is in your heart and ask for His Blessings.**

**Why not? It will be the best hour of your week, I promise you that.**

**A plenary indulgence forgives Purgatory time for yourself or for a loved one who has died, and takes them directly out of Purgatory straight into heaven! By praying in our Adoration Chapel, you can gain that plenary indulgence for you or for someone dear to you who has died. Check with me outside and I will give you information about that.**

**You cannot outdo Jesus in generosity. Give Him an hour of your time and He will shower you, your family and those you pray for with blessings.**

**Mother Theresa of Calcutta many times said she wanted to do ‘Something Beautiful for God”.**

**So please, right now, fill out the slip and give it to me outside and by offering Jesus some of your precious time, you will do ‘Something Beautiful for God”.**

**Thank you for your time.**

**And, may our dear Lord Jesus bless you each and every day of your lives.**