

CHAPTER 8 PRAYER SERVICE

For this prayer service, plan to give students the opportunity to pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. If possible, arrange for a short time of Eucharistic Adoration for the class. If Adoration is not possible, bring the students into the school's chapel or church so they can be in Jesus's presence in the Eucharist in the tabernacle.

All: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Leader: Jesus is truly present here in the Eucharist. Let us take a few minutes of silence to speak with him in our hearts. If you're not sure what to say, I encourage you to think about these two questions: What are the good things in your life right now? What are the things that you need right now?

Spend 5–15 minutes in quiet prayer, as appropriate for the class. Consider playing a traditional hymn like Ubi Caritas or Veni Sancti Spiritus or a contemporary worship song like “Adoration” or “Because He Lives” by Matt Maher in the background to help students focus.

Leader: Jesus, we praise you and thank you for the gift of your presence in the Eucharist. Thank you for being with us, listening to us, guiding us, and strengthening us. Let us now pray the Divine Praises.

All: Blessed be God.

Blessed be his holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be his most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.

Play or sing the hymn, “Holy God We Praise Thy Name,” available for free on YouTube.

All: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.