

A VISION FOR THE FLAME OF LOVE MOVEMENT

“Without a vision, the people perish” and so does a Movement. A vision means a clear understanding that guides both leaders and people. The following thoughts try to outline Our Lady’s vision.

1. The Cause

Our Lady wants this Movement. She called it “her Cause” and constantly asked Elizabeth Kindelmann to get priests and people involved. She even asked for 12 parishes (4 inside Budapest and 8 outside) to be the foundation of the Movement. Our Lady, herself, is the foundress of the Flame of Love Movement.

2. The Elements

By reading the diary, we have tried to understand the elements of this Movement. These include:

1. The Flame of Love which is Jesus himself.
2. The urgency of passing on this Flame of Love to devout souls.
3. The need to intercede so that Our Lady pours out the Flame of Love on the whole world.
4. As this happens, Satan will be blinded and souls will find themselves able to respond to God’s actual graces.

The primary goal is the salvation of souls.

3. Our Efforts

In the diary, Our Lord and Our Lady plead for adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. We have made this the central thrust of the Movement, believing that many other needed parts will follow.

4. Present Practice

Many parishes have specified times when parishioners can come for an hour of adoration. We want to take this practice and provide many helps so that Flame of Love Eucharistic adoration is effective.

First, a little community should be formed (at least 4 to 6 people) which agrees on an hour most suitable for them. Within each parish, many such communities can happen, which pray at various hours.

Second, the holy hour itself is communal, with the recitation of the rosary and Flame of Love prayers. Also, the leaders should give one of the foundational teachings. In between, are

important times of silent prayer. Also, there could be some testimonies about the good effects and a discussion of how to spread the Flame of Love.

The local leader should focus to recruit a small community which will be faithful to the hourly adoration.

5. Outside Helps

1. Each Flame of Love group is connected with all the others in the diocese. There will be a list of churches and times, so people can pray with other groups. (Hopefully, the groups will keep multiplying).
2. There will also be Flame of Love retreats and conferences to enrich the weekly adoration.
3. Many foundational teachings are already written and available to all.
4. A Flame of Love library will be developed with books to enrich the spiritual life.
5. The Diary contains many important promises and commands. A little booklet will be printed which will contain them all.
6. Our Lady's goal is to have continual, 24 hours of adoration in every parish. Our Lady will surely lead us to this goal.

6. Book Distribution

In every parish where the pastor permits, a group will come to distribute the Diary after all of the weekend masses. If a Flame of Love adoration group already exists, then that information will also be made available.

7. Flame of Love Pamphlet

We have developed a three-sided pamphlet explaining and inviting people to participate. Hopefully, this will be distributed everywhere.

8. Flame of Love Holy Card

The Flame of Love Holy cards includes the Unity Prayer and our English and Spanish language websites, and may be easily used as a further evangelization tool.

9. E-Mails

We will use the E-mails to keep in constant contact with all the local leaders, always trying to encourage you.

10. Other Thoughts

A. Homogeneous Groups

These groups are for a specific group of people, like young adults, men, etc. Each parish can have multiple groups and great diversity.

B. Wildfire and Steady Growth

Sometimes, a Movement experiences a wildfire growth, i.e. it quickly becomes very large. Our Lady might bring that about. However, Wildfire growth is often not steady and, after initial participation, many drop out.

Steady growth usually does not suddenly drop off. As a leader, always seek growth. Look for new ways to interest people and to schedule the Holy Hours. This leads to steady growth.

C. Building the Foundation

If you ever watched a new building being constructed, it seems like the foundation takes a long time but that the remaining stories of the building take no time at all.

See the early months and the first year or so, as the foundation. Once people are settled in, the growth will come.

D. Personal Growth in Devotion

Help those who participate to grow spiritually. Flame of Love foundational talks describe the many parts to a full devout life. If your members are growing in devotion, the Movement will be solidly established and bring forth much fruit. Encourage your members to visit our website at: www.FlameOfLove.us

E. Prayer Partners

We call and invite one another to praise God and intercede. An excellent way is to have a prayer partner whom you call each day (usually, at some specific time) and pray over the phone. This could be 15 to 30 minutes. This extends the Holy Hour Adoration. We can also call those who we know are homebound and offer to pray a decade of the Rosary with them.

F. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Although exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is a great source of blessings, it is not an absolute essential for a Flame of Love Holy Hour. Just having the Church available is all that is needed.

Theologians teach that adoration before the Blessed Sacrament is really an extension of the sacrifice of the Mass.

G. Scheduled Prayer at Home

Our Lady wants every parish to have 24 hour Flame of Love adoration. She has promised that Satan would lose his dominion and many souls would be saved.

Many times, especially in the beginning, 24 hour adoration in the Chch is not possible. The members can pray at home, knowing that this prayer time is linked with the hours in Church. The leader should preach on this and try to organize this.