**Adoro Te Devote**

One of the five beautiful hymns St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274) composed in honor of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at Pope Urban IV's (1261-1264) request when the Pope first established the Feast of Corpus Christi in 1264. The hymn is found in the Roman Missal as a prayer of thanksgiving after Mass. A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful who devoutly recite this hymn.

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| 1. Adoro te devote, latens Deitas,Quae sub his figuris vere latitas;Tibi se cor meum totum subiicit,Quia te contemplans, totum deficit.2. Visus, tactus, gustus in te fallitur,Sed auditu solo tuto creditur;Credo quidquid dixit Dei Filius,Nil hoc verbo veritatis verius.3. In Cruce latebat sola Deitas.At hic latet simul et humanitas:Ambo tamen credens, atque confitens,Peto quod petivit latro paenitens.4. Plagas, sicut Thomas, non intueor,Deum tamen meum te confiteor:Fac me tibi semper magis credere,In te spem habere, te diligere.5. O memoriale mortis Domini,Panis vivus vitam praestans homini:Praesta meae menti de te vivere,Et te illi semper dulce sapere.6. Pie pellicane Iesu Domine,Me immundum munda tuo Sanguine:Cuius una stilla salvum facereTotum mundum quit ab omni scelere.7. Iesu, quem velatum nunc aspicio,Oro, fiat illud, quod tam sitio,Ut te revelata cernens facie,Visu sim beatus tuae gloriae. Amen. | 1. I adore You devoutly, Godhead unseen,Who truly lies hidden under these sacramental forms.My soul surrenders itself to You without reserve,for in contemplating You it is completely overwhelmed.2. Sight, touch and taste are no guide in finding You,and only hearing is a sure guide for our faith.I believe everything that the Son of God has said,and nothing can be truer than this word of the Truth.3. Only the godhead was hidden on the cross,but here the humanity is hidden as well. et I believe and acknowledge them both,and make the same request as did the repentant thief.4. I do not see the marks of the wounds,as Thomas did, and yet I too own You as “My God.”Grant that I believe in You more and more,that I put my hope in You and that I love You.5. Living bread, that ever recalls the Lord’s deathand gives life to His servants, grant to my soul to live by Youand always to taste Your sweetness.6. Lord Jesus, loving pelican of heaven,cleanse me, a sinner, with Your blood;for a single drop can savethe whole world from all its sin.7. Jesus, as I look on Your veiled presence,I pray that what I long for so ardently may come about,and that I may see Your face unveiledand be happy in the vision of Your glory. Amen.*\*Translation from: Corpus Christi Watershed Website*. |