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ADORATION CHAPEL

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PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

In the decades since the founding of Aquinas College, all who have visited us have truly brought a great light to our campus. It is through this light that programs have grown, minds have thought, degrees have been conferred, and lives have been changed. However, through all of this, the center of our reason for existence continues to be the Eucharist. Now as the college continues to grow and expand, we are adding a wonderful new program and facility to our campus that will offer Perpetual Adoration. This adoration will truly allow all faculty, staff, students, alumni, friends, and visitors to our campus the opportunity to visit the Holy Body any time, day or night. The current space on the campus known as ‘The Carriage House’ is being renovated to be a Perpetual Adoration Chapel. This Chapel will be the first of its kind in Davidson County and we hope that it will truly bring new light to Nashville and beyond!

ENCOUNTER

*Your face, O Lord, I seek.* Psalm 27

The transforming encounter with Christ in the Eucharist heals, restores, establishes confidence, confirms and draws the heart and mind to increase faith, deepen love and strengthen hope.

If it weren’t for the perpetual adoration chapel in my old parish I would have never had a conversion. It is the most important addition out college could make. The more time you spend with anyone the more you begin to resemble them, and that includes the Eucharist. — Kyle B.

A perpetual adoration chapel would be an incredible help in strengthening my relationship with the Lord. Especially when we stress, which a lot of the time is late at night, it will be great to be able to have our Lord close by to bring peace. — Abbey S.
Eucharistic adoration deepens our relationship with God and increases our capacity to love and be loved.

The great thing about a perpetual adoration chapel is that, no matter what your schedule looks like, Jesus is always available. Being able to attend adoration at any time, day and night, would mean all of the difference. Our faith will be able to grow stronger because of the accessibility and flexibility it will allow for our time in prayer.

— Michaela B.

The impact of having Perpetual Adoration at Aquinas College would be beyond exciting. I have personally seen the impact Adoration on Mondays and one Saturday a month has had on the community. There is a deep hunger for our Lord and having access to Perpetual Adoration would fill their hungry hearts and thirsting souls. There would be an undoubtedly joyous and positive impact on the Aquinas Community if we provided Perpetual Adoration.

— Mario M.

Every relationship is strengthened and made secure through time spent together.

I believe the Perpetual Adoration Chapel would be a welcome addition to Aquinas students, faculty, staff and community members. It would be a place away from the stress and cares of classes, tests, and work, yet convenient enough that people would use it often. I believe even our non-Catholic students would spend time there as they do in our Chapel now. It should also strengthen our name recognition within the local Catholic community.

— Suzette T.

A Perpetual Adoration Chapel would impact the Aquinas College Community by putting the focus of our activities on Jesus in the Eucharist. Building the chapel so close to the main building puts Jesus close to everyone and shows how important He is in our daily lives and this school as a whole.

— Michaela B.

It would proclaim to the Aquinas community the constant truth that Jesus is truly the center of our faith and mission.

— Fr. Kevin M.

**CAPITAL RENOVATION COSTS**

Total Investment Required for the Perpetual Adoration Chapel  — $100,000
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