

Saint Pius Calling You... To His True Body and Blood



MIRACLE OF BUENOS AIRES

by Joyce Seno

You will recall that in the first issue we talked about the Miracle of Lanciano. In that article was a bulleted list of results from the analysis of the Eucharist and Blood at Lanciano, Italy. Today I want to give you information on the Miracle of Buenos Aires.

of the Archdiocese of Buenos Aires, had finished distributing Communion and was cleaning up the church after Mass when he discovered a discarded host in the back of the church. Whether the individual who had received it during Mass wasn't Catholic or had left it in the pews for

sounds familiar, it's because you know this man - he now goes by the name "Pope Francis". Bishop Bergoglio, after examining the host, ordered that it be observed and photographed. Taken only a few weeks after the host was first discovered, the photographs showed that the host had grown in size, and now had the appearance of bloody flesh. After three years of observation, the host had not shown signs of decomposing, so Bishop Bergoglio asked that it be scientifically analyzed.

In 1999, Dr. Frederick Zugibe, a cardiologist and forensic pathologist, began performing tests on the miraculous host. What he discovered about the composition of the host is truly stunning:

- The analyzed material appeared to be a fragment of heart muscle typically found in the wall of the left ventricle of the heart, close to the valves.
- This type of muscle is responsible for the contraction of the heart, and the left ventricle connects nearly all the organ systems by pumping oxygenated blood to the rest of the body.
- The blood found on the sample was indeed human,



Lanciano was in the year 750 AD. Buenos Aires was in the year 1996. Two miracles 1,249 years apart. Pay attention to the bulleted results and compare them to Lanciano..... coincidence??

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Fr. Alejandro Pezet, a priest

another reason is uncertain, but Fr. Pezet carefully placed the host in a container full of water to allow it to dissolve. Two days later, as he was preparing to dispose of what was left of the host, he uncovered the container only to find that the host appeared to be covered with red blotches of blood.

Confused by what he found, and seeking guidance from the Church, Fr. Pezet reported the matter to the auxiliary bishop of Buenos Aires, *Jorge Bergoglio*. If this name

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and type AB, which also matches the blood found on the host of Lancia and from samples extracted from the Shroud of Turin, believed by many to be the burial cloth of Jesus.

- The tissue appeared to be in an inflamed state, and contained a large number of white blood cells, indicating that the heart was *alive* at the time the sample was taken, since these white blood cells die outside of a living organism.

Furthermore, the white blood cells had penetrated the tissue, further indicating that the heart was under

severe stress, as if the person themselves had been beaten severely near the chest area.

In an effort to keep the studies as objective as possible, Dr. Zugibe was not informed about the origin of the samples he had analyzed. But after completing the studies, he remarked, “You have to explain one thing to me: If this sample came from a dead person, how could it be that while I was examining it, the cells of the sample were moving and pulsating? If the heart came from someone who died in 1996, how could it still be alive?” When he was informed that the



samples had been taken from the miraculous host, he stated, “This will remain an inexplicable mystery to science—a mystery totally beyond his competence.”

For more information check out this video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?>

THIS IS MY BLOOD

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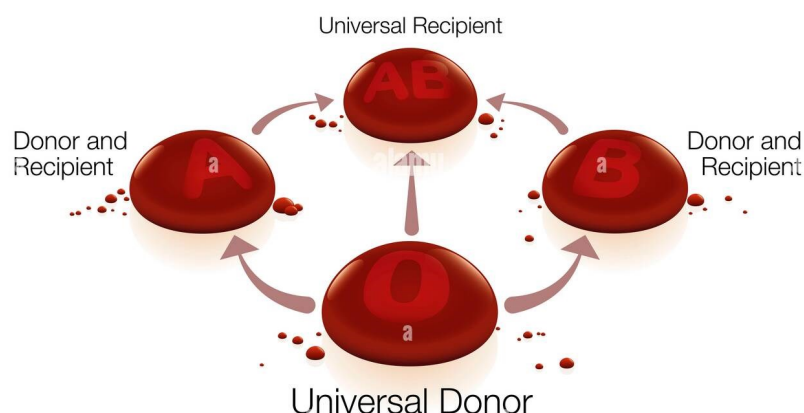
Blood is seldom considered a pleasant topic, especially by the squeamish. But as Catholics we have to think about it and speak about it from time to time because it is so central to our faith. We believe, after all, that our salvation was won for us by blood – and not just the

In the Creed we confess that Christ was “true God and true man,” which means that He had a truly human body with truly human blood coursing through His veins. We call the Blood of Christ the *Precious Blood* because it is more valu-

has the spiritual power to save the entire human race. That is pretty astonishing.

So it is no surprise that Catholics have always had an interest in certain religious artifacts that have shown evidence of or even actual stains of the Blood that was poured out for us on Calvary.

Blood Group Compatibility Chart



blood that flowed through a human body in Palestine two thousand years ago, but the blood that was torn from that body and spilled upon the ground.

able (precious) than all the accumulated riches of the world. In his famous Eucharistic Hymn, *Adoro Te Devote*, St. Thomas Aquinas wrote that even “one drop” of His Blood

It’s easy to forget, sometimes, that Jesus has a human nature. Yet it’s fascinating to think that He has such attributes as eye color, hair color, and skin tone. His Most Precious Blood, too, is real human blood, and as such belongs to one of eight different types: A+, B+, AB+, O+, or one of the corresponding negative types. According to available evidence, Jesus’ blood is type **AB**.

Many mistake the AB blood type for the *universal donor* and believe that it is fitting to the God-Man who shed His Blood as a universal sacrifice for the human race. This is a pious belief but both scientifically and spiritually unsound. (The universal donor blood type is O.)

Medically, the AB blood type is the

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universal receiver; it can take into itself any other type of human blood. There is an important theological message here. Dr. Serafini calls this type of blood the “universal solvent”. That is, it can mix with and dissolve all other types of human blood *into itself*.

This is an astounding conclusion that fits perfectly with the saving mission of the Redeemer of mankind. In as much as blood signifies human suffering, each and every human being that has ever lived or ever will live can join his sacrifices to the saving Blood of Christ to participate with Christ in the ongoing redemption of the world.

How do we know? How, you ask, could we possibly know such a specific medical detail?

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The evidence lies in the scientific tests that have been carried out on several different Eucharistic miracles and Passion relics in recent decades. Dr. Franco Serafini delves into some of these instances in [*Cardiologist Examines Jesus: The Stunning Science Behind Eucharistic Miracles*](#).

Dr. Serafini—an Italian cardiologist—reports that all those specimens that were tested for blood type returned a result of AB, a blood type whose rarity supports their authenticity. AB occurs in only about 5% of the current human population. (Insufficient tests have been performed to decide definitively the Rh factor—that is, if it is + or -.)

Dr. Serafini explains that it would be nearly impossible to randomly

replicate AB across these different specimens. Not only are they distinct examples from different places and historical epochs, but some of them, significantly, have been handed down from eras in which blood types had not yet been discovered: such as the Passion relics, and the 8th-century Eucharistic miracle of Lanciano.

These are just a few of the amazing facts explained by Dr. Serafini in his captivating book. Do we know, for example, what kind of tissue is found in these miracles? Is the tissue alive or dead? What does it tell us about the Man it came from? The science really will stun you—and renew your faith in the Miracle that happens on our altars every day.

JESUS IS NOT A SYMBOL

by Blondie Lecce

St. John Chrysostom, Father and Doctor of the Church (347-407 A.D.) sets the tone: *When you are before the altar where Christ reposes, you ought no longer to think that you are amongst men; but believe that there are troops of angels and archangels standing by you and trembling with respect before the sovereign Master of Heaven and earth. Therefore, when you are in church, be there in silence, fear, and veneration.*

St. John's fairly dramatic quote should beg a serious question: Why would anyone, let alone a Doctor of the Church, declare such a statement if the Eucharist was merely a symbol? Because it's not.

The sovereign Master of Heaven and earth can only be referring to Jesus' true presence in the Holy Eucharist, for it is doubtful that angels would tremble before symbols.

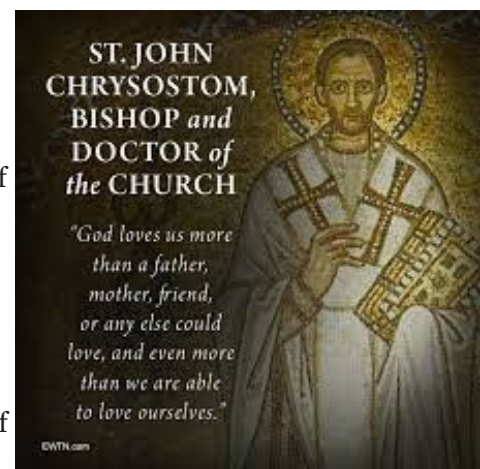
If we believe that the God in Gene-

sis 1 who said, *Let there be light...*, and there was light, is the same God in Matthew, Mark, and Luke who said, *This is my body...this is my blood*, then there must be body and blood. Pope Benedict XVI said: *In the Eucharist Jesus does not give us a 'thing,' but himself...*

A review of John 6:48-58 reveals Jesus stating no less than ten times that we must feed on him for eternal life. He doesn't back off or explain this even when, in verse 66, many of his followers left him. Jesus was indeed talking about food of the supernatural kind, which only he can provide.

We later read in John 21:15-17 that Jesus asks Peter three times if Peter loves him. After each of Peter's affirmative answers, Jesus tells him, *feed my lambs...tend my sheep...feed my sheep*. Did anyone ever wonder what food Jesus was talking about, let alone where Peter was supposed to get it and how he was supposed to do the feeding?

The answer, then, to Peter's directive from Jesus had been laid out at the Last Supper, *Do this in memory of me*. The Church, from Peter and the first disciples to the



present day, has been faithful to the feeding of Jesus' sheep in the way he intended: With his own body and blood for eternal life, a covenant of love beyond all understanding.

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Our faith Tradition teaches us that the Last Supper is an ever-present event vs. a chronological event, as is Jesus' saving power on the cross. The Mass is not merely a reenactment. Instead, we enter into that Last Supper with Jesus. (CCC 1366-368). Perhaps this is why *there are troops of angels and archangels standing by you and trembling with respect*

before the sovereign Master of Heaven and earth.

The theologian Theodore of Antioch (350-428 AD) closes this brief discussion: When [Christ] gave the bread he did not say, 'This is the symbol of my body,' but, 'This is my body.' In the same way, when he gave the cup of his blood he did not say, 'This is the symbol of my

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blood,' but, 'This is my blood'; for he wanted us to look upon the (Eucharistic elements) after their reception of grace and the coming of the Holy Spirit not according to their nature, but receive them as they are, the body and blood of our Lord... (Catechetical Homilies 5:1 [A.D. 405]).

Brothers and Sisters, can you spare an hour?

"The daily adoration or visit to the Blessed Sacrament is the fountain-head of all devotional works." (St. Pope Pius X) Why do you do Eucharistic Adoration?

I go to Adoration because I need to be in the presence of Jesus. I kneel and collect my thoughts and try to rid myself of all my fears, anxieties and actions of the day and give them to Him. When I look at Him as I sit down, I wait and listen for His Voice. After a while, in the silence with the candles glowing, I am reminded of warmth and feel His presence. Often times, I can be reminded of a recent Gospel reading and I will reread it and I can be convicted of an action I had with others and I ask God's forgiveness and mercy and the need to go to confession soon. Other times, I have a decision to make, but I don't know how

to handle it and at the next week's Adoration, I will be consoled and know what the Lord's desire is for me. I was created in the image and likeness of God and I want Him to be pleased with me and I know that He is filled with joy when one of His creatures comes to visit. Many times, I leave Adoration knowing I have His mercy, His love, His faithfulness, His grace and so much more. We live in a worldly environment of chaos and confusion. Why not put a spiritual touch into that environment and divine things will come alive in your life. It has in Me!
- Sarah Tirpak

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"In an ever-changing world, the Holy Eucharist is a constant reminder of the great reality of God's changeless love."

