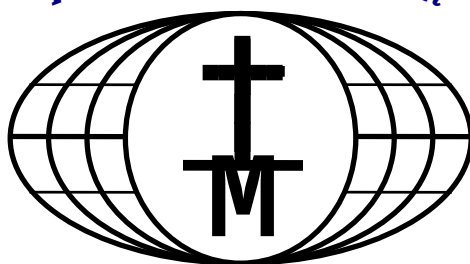


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TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2006, through

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Tuesday, 1 PM to 10 PM, Wednesday, 9 AM to 10 PM and Thursday, 9 AM to 4 PM

Requested **Registration Donation** is \$30 per person.

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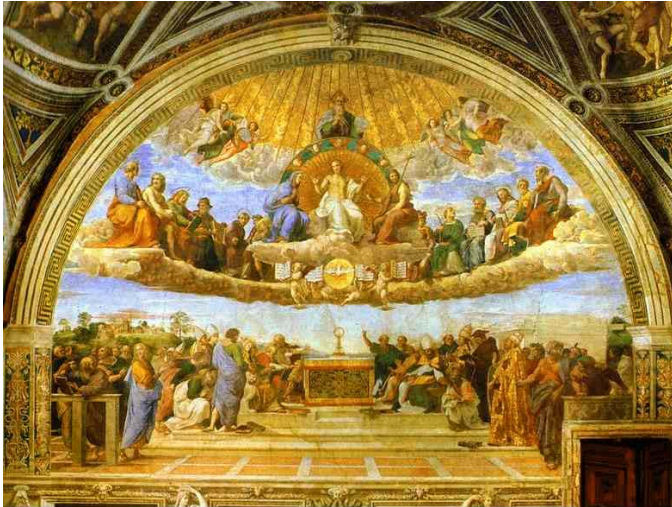
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"Behold, the bridegroom is coming, go forth to meet Him!" [Mt. 25:6]



The **Disputa** by **Raphael** – Church Militant (bottom) and Church Triumphant (top) venerating the Eucharist as the Host in the Monstrance with the Glory of the Trinity.

After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. [Rev 7:9]

Then I heard something like the sound of a great multitude or the sound of rushing water or mighty peals of thunder, as they said: "Alleluia! The Lord has established his reign, (our) God, the almighty. Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory. For the wedding day of the Lamb has come, his bride has made herself ready. She was allowed to wear a bright, clean linen garment." (The linen represents the righteous deeds of the holy ones.) Then the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who have been called to the wedding feast of the Lamb." And he said to me, "These words are true; they come from God." [Rev 16:6-9]

I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. [Rev 21:2] The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." [Rev 22:17]

What is the Bride of Christ Community? The Bride of Christ Community is a new ecclesial movement of nuptial spirituality for intimate communion with our Beloved Bridegroom, Jesus in the Eucharist, open to His Spirit like Mary, our model and mother, and the other saints of every culture and time, and faithful to the teachings of the Holy Father. This movement toward community through prayer (liturgia), fellowship (koinionia) and service (diakonia) to the parish and the diocese has its special mission to prepare each person, and thus the universal Church, as the Bride of Christ in joy for the wedding of the Lamb.

What is the "wedding of the Lamb"? The "wedding of the Lamb" has two closely related dimensions: eucharistic and eschatological: in every Eucharist we are invited to partake in the wedding feast of the Lamb of God which hastens and realizes the eschatological fulfillment when our Bridegroom comes in glory to wed His Bride, the Church.

When did the Bride of Christ start? The Bride of Christ was conceived in Rome on March 25, 1984, during the celebration of the Annunciation of the Lord and the Consecration of the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Pope John Paul II and all the bishops in communion with him. Since our first retreat at the Carmelite Monastery in Williamstown, MA, for the Solemnity of the Annunciation, March 23-25, 1987, members of the Community have prayed the Divine Office together daily as well as sponsored pilgrimages, conferences and retreats in Massachusetts, Maine, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and New Jersey.

How does one become a member of the Bride of Christ? Through baptism one becomes a member of the Church, the Bride of Christ, and for those who are called to share in the special mission of the Community, there is available a self-paced program of spiritual formation through reading, spiritual direction, devotional practices and retreats which depends on the prior development of the person. However, everyone is encouraged to join the "Bridal Lace" communication network to keep informed of upcoming events of the Community. To join this network or a local "bridal party", contact the persons mentioned on the front of this information sheet or below. This information sheet is available in color at: <http://www.geocities.com/pilgrimsfaith/2006/06BCR05.pdf> .

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