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Sister Joan shares Eucharistic Adoration with Louisiana

CLYDE, **Mo.** – Writing a book led to a special journey in May for Benedictine Sister Joan Ridley, OSB - a trip that led her home.

After the release of her book, <u>"In the Presence: The Spirituality of Eucharistic Adoration,"</u> she was invited to speak at a variety of locations throughout Louisiana where Sister Joan spent many years in mission work before joining the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration.

"Some friends invited me to lead a morning of prayer in Lake Charles for associate members of their religious community, and it grew from there," Sister Joan said.

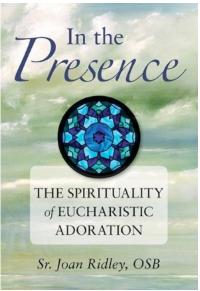
Over the course of eight days, Sister Joan spoke on the topic of "Adoration and Monastic Life" to monks at St. Joseph Abbey in Covington. She also visited the Archdiocesan Spirituality Center in New Orleans to present "Adoration and the Eucharistic Mission" and spoke about Eucharistic adoration at several parishes in the Lafayette and Houma-Thibodaux dioceses.

"Eucharistic prayer and adoration is growing among the people everywhere," Sister Joan said. "Anything I can do to foster that is a privilege and a joy. A number of people assisted in that effort in a wonderful way."

More information about Sister Joan's book can be found at the Benedictine Sisters' online store at www.monasterycreations.com.

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