

Eucharistic Miracles of Florence
ITALY, 1230-1595

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The Relics of two Eucharistic Miracles, which took place in 1230 and in 1595 respectively, are preserved in the Church of St. Ambrose in Florence.

In the Miracle of 1230, a priest named Fr. Ugucione, having finished Holy Mass, by mistake left behind some drops of the consecrated Wine in the chalice. The following day, returning to the same church to celebrate Mass, he found in the chalice some drops of coagulated, living blood of a flesh color. The blood was immediately poured into a cruet made of crystal. In 1980, the 750th anniversary of the miracle was commemorated.

The Second Eucharistic Miracle took place on Good Friday of the year 1595. By mistake, a candle was left still lit on the altar of the side chapel, called the Chapel of the Holy Sepulchre, which caused a raging fire. The people ran immediately to put out the fire and succeeded in salvaging the Blessed Sacrament and the chalice. In the general confusion, six consecrated Hosts fell from the ciborium onto the flaming carpet, and despite the fire, they were recovered intact and still next to each other. In 1628, the Archbishop of Florence, Marzio Medici, after having examined them, found them to be incorrupt and therefore had them placed in a precious Reliquary.