

Eucharistic Miracle of Boxtel-Hoogstraten
HOLLAND, 1380



In 1380, the priest Fr. Eligio van der Aker was celebrating Holy Mass at the Church of St. Peter. Shortly after consecrating the species of wine, he accidentally spilled it on the corporal and on the altar cloth. Even though he had used white wine for the Mass, it was transformed into Blood. At the end of the celebration, the priest ran into the sacristy and tried to remove the Blood stains from the sacred linens, but every attempt of his was useless. Not knowing what to do, he hid the altar cloth and the corporal in a case under his bed. It was only when he was about to die that he revealed the secret to his confessor, Father Henry van Meerheim, who immediately informed Cardinal Pileus, who at that time was the apostolic nuncio of Pope Urban VI and titular Archbishop of the Church of Saint Praxedes. The Cardinal, after conducting a thorough investigation of how these events unfolded, approved the veneration of the relics by decree on June 25, 1380.