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Prelate's Homily at the University of Navarra

At a Mass attended by 4,000 people, the Prelate stressed the close tie between our daily life and the Eucharist. St. Josemaria celebrated Mass on the same site in 1967 and gave a well-known homily.

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On October 23, in the presence of over 4,000 people, the Prelate of Opus Dei celebrated a Mass on the library esplanade, for the 50th anniversary of the Association of Friends of the University of Navarra. St. Josemaria had celebrated Mass on the same site on October 8, 1967.

In his homily Bishop Echevarria said: "St. Josemaria brought us to consider once again (having preached this since 1928) that our Christian life has to be directed, amid a great variety of circumstances, towards the Eucharist. He showed us that, if we want it (because God's grace is never lacking), the Eucharistic mystery will guide and nourish the true path of our daily journey....

"The first Grand Chancellor of the University encouraged us (as he does now from heaven) to discover the quid divinum hidden in all the circumstances and concerns of our life, even those that seem most material. He told us that this will come about as a consequence of a

deep Eucharistic life, an essentially Eucharistic life, knowing that Godmade-Man himself chose to walk along our human paths. Thus we will become more fully men, more fully women, to the extent that we want and allow the Body and Blood of Christ to nourish and energize us, in such a way that our life becomes a continuation of his Life. We can always attain this if we look more steadily at him, if we deal more with him, if we love him more!"

The full text of the homily can be found above, in PDF format.

The Prelate of Opus Dei celebrated Mass with the same chalice that Bishop Miguel de los Santos Díaz Gómara, auxiliary bishop of Saragossa, used when ordaining Saint Josemaría Escrivá to the priesthood in 1925.

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