

The Eucharistic Miracle of Sienna, Italy

Draw a scene in each box to match the true, historic story lines to create a comic strip.

<p>On the day prior to the Feast of the Assumption of Mary in 1730, thieves picked the lock on the Tabernacle in the chapel of St Francis</p>	<p>The thieves stole the golden ciborium holding 351 Consecrated Hosts.</p>	<p>The theft was discovered during Mass the next morning when the priest opened the tabernacle to distribute the Hosts during Communion.</p>	<p>The parishioners and priest were so sorrowful and worried that the party part of the feast was canceled.</p>	<p>A parishioner found the lid to the ciborium in the street outside the church.</p>
<p>The priests worried that someone had sacrileged Jesus, which means to do bad things to the Eucharist to disrespect Jesus.</p>	<p>The archbishop ordered public prayers of reparation, which are prayers to apologize to Jesus.</p>	<p>For three days, the town people prayed to make things right with God and that the Hosts would be found.</p>	<p>At the same time, the police hunted for the thieves.</p>	<p>On the third day, a parishioner in a different church noticed something white sticking up from the box collecting money for the poor.</p>
<p>All 351 consecrated hosts were found inside the collection box. Since the box wasn't opened very often, the hosts were covered in cobwebs and dirt.</p>	<p>The priests cleaned the Hosts as best as they could.</p>	<p>The archbishop then led a solemn procession, which is a little bit like a serious, holy parade, back to the Church of St. Francis.</p>	<p>The town people adored all 351 Hosts.</p>	<p>The priests eventually realized that the Host were miraculous because they stayed as fresh as the day they were baked. They remain so even to this day.</p>