

# EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL PARISH TOOL KIT

All parishes are invited to participate in our Diocesan Mass and Eucharistic Procession to celebrate the commencement of the Eucharistic Revival on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, June 19 at 10:00 am, Corpus Christi Church, 864 East Main St., Rochester.

We ask that each parish send delegates to represent your parish and participate in the Mass and the Eucharistic Procession to follow. We suggest including a family with a child who has recently received their First Eucharist, to come to wearing their First Communion clothes! We also suggest you include those who have been welcomed into the Church this year at the Easter Vigil. Please register your delegates for the Mass using the link found on the homepage of our diocesan Eucharistic Revival website: **eucharisticrevival.dor.org** Our hope is to make this a true diocesan-wide celebration! IMPORTANT EVENTS FOR PARISH INVOLVEMENT:

SUNDAY, JUNE 19 10:00 AM DIOCESAN KICK OFF WITH CORPUS CHRISTI MASS AND PROCESSSION AT CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 18 CATECHETICAL SUNDAY THIS IS MY BODY, GIVEN FOR YOU

FALL 2022 REGIONS BEGIN HOSTING 40 HOURS OF DEVOTION AND OTHER EUCHARISTIC EVENTS

### Recommendations for Communicating to the Faithful and Generating Momentum in your Parish!

- 1. Let your community know that this is a wonderful opportunity to revive the faith and renew our love for the Church and Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Eucharist.
- 2. Make use of social media, your parish website, and print material to communicate a love for the Eucharist and the truth of the Real Presence throughout the entire year.
- 3. Provide additional catechesis on the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, important Eucharistic practices and the need for conversion in daily life upon receiving the Eucharist.
- 4. Consider including a regular column on the Eucharist within your parish communications.
- 5. Link to our diocesan site: *eucharisticrevival.dor.org* to provide parishioners with communication from the Diocese about Eucharistic Revival events and access to resources for personal renewal.

### Inspiration for Parishes to Share the Enthusiasm of The Eucharistic Revival in the Diocesan Year

- Revisit Bishop Matano's Pastoral Letter on the Eucharist from our 2017-2018 Year of the Eucharist and explore the richness of the Pastoral in small group conversations.
- Involve parishioners in a social media campaign to provide testimonies of sharing their love for the Eucharist. Templates for still and video-based testimonies will be provided on the Eucharistic Revival website in late summer along with samples.
- Support and attend Diocesan events for the Eucharistic Revival. All events will be
  publicized on our website, through Diocesan Updates and on Diocesan Social Media.
  These events will take place throughout the year and will be sponsored by the Office of
  Evangelization and Catechesis, the Office of Catholic Schools, the Office of Pastoral
  Services and St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry.
- Share *The Family Zone* newsletter with parents and grandparents in your parish. It will have a year-long focus on the Eucharist and the Mass.
- Gather as a deanery region for 40 hours of Devotion or another Eucharist event. Each region is being asked to plan and promote a Eucharistic event in this diocesan year.
- Host a regional staff gathering centered on the Eucharist and encourage staff attendance at diocesan events for professional and spiritual development
- Promote the Eucharistic Revival all year long in your parish and begin to make plans for the parish year of the Revival, coming in June of 2023! Use the theme "*Christ Always With Us*" as well as our diocesan Eucharistic Revival logo that can be found on our website!

## **Timeline for Revival Efforts in the Diocese of Rochester**

April/May 2022 Parishes identify representatives for Diocesan Celebration on June 19, 2022 and register online. Parishes who will be planning their own celebration and Eucharistic procession should notify Leslie.Barkin@dor.org, so that it can be publicized on our Eucharistic Revival website.

- **June/July 2022** Identify Host Parishes and Dates for 40 Hours of Devotion or other Eucharistic regional events per deanery.
- June/July 2022 Share dates for Regional Events with the staff of the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis for posting on our diocesan Eucharistic Revival website

## **Eucharistic Revival FAQs**

The Eucharistic Revival is a MOVEMENT, not a program. Its vision is to help Catholics across the United States experience healing, formation, conversion and unity through an encounter with Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist.

The declining belief in the Real Presence and the lack of understanding of the Eucharist among the Catholic faithful has been a major concern of bishops. The USCCB's document "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church," serves as a foundation for this Eucharistic Revival. A link to this document may be found on our Eucharistic Revival website.

"The Eucharist is 'the source and summit of the Christian life." The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our Pasch."" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 1324).

Dioceses and particular parishes are encouraged to foster encounters with Jesus through kerygmatic proclamation and experiences of Eucharistic devotion.

### TIMELINE



### Diocesan Year: June 2022-June 2023

Lifting up the Eucharist life of the Diocese. Highlights of the diocesan year will include our Diocesan celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and Eucharistic Procession on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, June 19, 2022, regional Eucharistic events planned per deanery, enthusiasm and instruction generated through social media and bulletins, a young adult gathering based upon the Eucharist, educational and formational programs through St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry and a retreat for teens. *The Family Zone* will take a year-long focus on the Eucharist and the Mass.

### Parish Year: June 2023-July 2024

Resources will be provided for parish small groups through our lending library and national apostolates. There will be extended catechesis about the Mass and opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration at the parishes. The focus of the parish year is to equip the faithful to know and love Jesus and to share that love for others. Special attention should be given to evangelization and pastoral outreach to those who may not be practicing their faith and are somewhat removed from life in the parish.





#### Year of Mission and National Eucharistic Congress July 2024-June 2025

The National Eucharistic Congress will take place in Indianapolis July 17-24; this is the Signature event of the National Eucharistic Revival. The goal of the congress will be to form and send more than 80,000 missionaries of the Eucharist into dioceses and parishes across our country in the third year. This year culminates with the Solemnity of Pentecost on June 8, 2025.