

# About the Revival



In late 2019, a Pew Study indicated what many had long suspected.

Few Catholics, approximately **30 percent**, fully believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

This stark reality inspired the Bishops of the United States to action. More than an event or a program, they envisioned a true Revival to rediscover the source and summit of our Faith through a deep commitment of prayer, pilgrimage, and worship on the part of the entire Church in the United States.

The advent of the pandemic only accelerated these plans, revealing their urgency and importance. Too many Catholics still have not returned to Mass to celebrate the central mystery of the Church.

Taking its title from the Bread of Life discourse in John's Gospel, **"My flesh for the life of the world/Mi carne para la vida del mundo,"** the Eucharistic Revival is not a step-by-step plan or a series of meetings; ***it is a grassroots call and a challenge for every Catholic across the United States to rekindle the fire of love and devotion for the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus.***

Over three years, every Catholic diocese, parish, school, apostolate, and family is invited to be a part of renewing the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

**This Revival launches on the Feast of Corpus Christi, June 19, 2022.**

**What will we be doing to make this real in our parish?**

- Over the next three years, dioceses will host Eucharistic Congresses and processions.
- Parishes will increase or begin Eucharistic Adoration.
- There will be a revival of faithful adherence to the liturgical norms in all their richness – the ***ars celebrandi***.
- Families and friends will gather in small groups to learn and pray together.
- Filled with the flame of charity from the reception of Jesus in the Eucharist, missionary disciples will go to the margins, recognizing the mystery of Jesus' presence in the poor.

**All of this will culminate in the first National Eucharistic Congress in the United States in almost fifty years. From July 17-21, 2024, thousands of Catholics will journey on pilgrimage to Indianapolis to personally encounter Jesus in the Eucharist and be sent back out into their parishes and communities.**