



April 19, 2022

Dear Clergy, Religious, and Lay Faithful of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia,

This year's celebration of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord, on June 19, 2022, also marks the inauguration of a three-year National Eucharistic Revival called for by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. The goal of the Eucharistic Revival is to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

The first year of the Eucharistic Revival, which begins on June 19, 2022, is the Diocesan Phase. Various diocesan-level events will be offered in which we hope you will participate and invite your communities to do the same. An introductory webinar will be held for clergy and parish leaders of the Archdiocese on May 25, 2022 from 10-11 am to assist parishes in using the Diocesan Phase to begin planning for the Parish Phase the following year. Additionally, several resources are being developed and will be made available to clergy and parish leaders to assist them in the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy, catechesis, devotion, and mission. These materials and the link to register for the webinar are available on the Archdiocesan website, phillyeucharisticrevival.org.

The second year of the Eucharistic Revival, which begins on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord in June of 2023, is the Parish Phase. During this year, parishes, institutions, and religious communities are asked to devote their attention to (1) a renewed excellence in the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy, (2) intentional catechesis of all the faithful on the Church's teachings on the Eucharist, (3) cultivation of a deeper appreciation for the Church's Eucharistic devotion (e.g., processions, Eucharistic Adoration, and Forty Hour Devotions), and (4) the important connection between the Eucharist and mission. Also, an Archdiocesan Eucharistic Congress will be held on Saturday, September 30, 2023, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown.

We look forward to sending a delegation to the National Eucharistic Congress, which will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, from July 17-24, 2024. This national gathering of the faithful will begin the third year of the Eucharistic Revival, which is the Year of Going Out on Mission.

Please join me in praying that the National Eucharistic Revival will bear good fruit in our spiritual lives as we focus more intentionally on our relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

Sincerely yours,

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