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# COMMUNICATION UPDATE

## National Eucharistic Revival

The National Eucharistic Revival officially begins on **Corpus Christi Sunday, June 19, 2022**. The Revival is a three-year initiative sponsored by the Bishops of the United States intended to form, heal, convert, and unite the People of God through a renewed encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist – and then to send these “Eucharistic missionaries” out to a hurting and hungry world. The milestone event of the Revival will be a National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, IN, from July 17-21, 2024.

Bishop David Malloy and the Diocese of Rockford will join in the opening of this revival on **June 19 with the celebration of Mass at 11 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Peter, Rockford followed by a Eucharistic procession** from the Cathedral to the Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Garden for prayer and adoration. The procession will resume back to the Cathedral for Benediction. The public is invited to attend.

To contribute to this revival, parishes and all the faithful are invited to begin **praying the official Eucharistic Revival Corpus Christi Novena, starting on Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup>**.

- English Novena: <https://www.usccb.org/resources/Novena-Corpus-Christi-eng.pdf>
- Spanish Novena: <https://www.usccb.org/resources/Novena-Corpus-Christi-spa.pdf>

The National Eucharistic Revival and National Eucharistic Congress are a direct response to the Holy Father’s call for a “pastoral and missionary conversion which cannot leave things as they presently are,” so that the Church in the United States might be “permanently in a state of mission” (Evangelii Gaudium, n. 25).

In order to contribute to the Revival you are invited to:

- Visit and share the Eucharistic Revival website for updates and resources, as well as to sign-up for “The Heart of the Revival” Newsletter and to become a Prayer Partner.  
<https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>
- Encourage parishioners to subscribe and read **The Observer** in print and/or online for diocesan updates and activities related to the diocesan phase of the National Eucharistic Revival as well as teaching on the revival from Bishop Malloy’s weekly column and in the new column about the Eucharist by Father Jonathan Bakkelund,  
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Director of the Office for Divine Worship.

- Follow the Diocese of Rockford on Facebook and Twitter for updates and information as well as on the Diocese of Rockford website [www.rockforddiocese.org](http://www.rockforddiocese.org).

You will also be receiving more Communication Updates related to the National Eucharistic Revival as more information is received from the USCCB and as diocesan activities and resources are made available.