

# Parish Guidebook

Parish Year of the National Eucharistic Revival



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# How to use this Guidebook

The Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation along with the Office of Divine Worship and the Diocesan Steering Committee for the National Eucharistic Revival compiled this guidebook to help parish leaders plan for the upcoming Parish Year of the National Eucharistic Revival. In this guidebook, you will find background information about the National Eucharistic Revival as well as resources to support your parish efforts in reinvigorating your devotion to our Eucharistic Lord.

# Background on the National Eucharistic Revival

The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Our mission is to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. Our vision is to establish a movement of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist and sent out on mission for the life of the world.

Here are some excerpts [in italics] from the *Leaders' Playbook: Year 1* (<a href="https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/leaders-playbook">https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/leaders-playbook</a>) which give a great summary of what the National Eucharistic Revival is all about and a good starting place for understanding our role in leading the Revival at the parish level.

# The Four Pillars

Here are the four pillars of the Revival. Use them as a springboard to brainstorm initiatives that will light your community on fire with love for Jesus. The ideas to follow are meant to spark creative, effective, and practical approaches that fit the character of your diocese [or parish], rather than rigid direction. We look forward to the diverse expressions of Eucharistic love which will grow from these mere seeds!

- PERSONAL ENCOUNTERS: Bring your people to Jesus.
- REINVIGORATING DEVOTION: Receive Jesus. Worship Jesus.
- DEEPENING FORMATION: Learn and preach the truth about Jesus.
- MISSIONARY SENDING: Go out and bring Jesus to the world.

# Personal Encounters

Create opportunities for your team members and for the faithful to gather in a moment of encounter with Our Lord. Throughout history, starting at Pentecost, the Holy Spirit has used the energy created through gathering as a way to usher new movements and transformations in our Church.

# Reinvigorating Devotion

How we worship matters. Emphasize reverence in the liturgy and elevate the practice of Eucharistic devotions, prioritizing an increase in opportunities for adoration and both parish and diocesan Eucharistic processions. This provides a public witness while strengthening the faith and unity of Catholics in your community.

# Deepening Formation

With more than 50% of Catholics not knowing the Church's doctrine on the Real Presence, a bold clarity in the true teaching of the Church is necessary to bring understanding. Most Catholics who believe the Eucharist is simply symbolic think this is the official Church teaching. This demographic is your most immediate opportunity to move the needle toward belief in the Eucharist in your community.

# Missionary Sending

Clergy and liturgical renewal will be an early focus, particularly in the Year of Diocesan Revival, to build a foundation for the missionary renewal of the broader Church. Filled with refreshed Eucharistic zeal, clergy and believers will be instrumental in clarifying the reality of the Real Presence with members of their community who misunderstand this teaching as merely symbolic. Mobilize those who already know and believe the Church's teaching on the Real Presence to become leaders in their parishes.

# **Revival Timeline**



The National Eucharistic Revival is intended to roll out in phases over the course of three years which, we pray, will revive us in our living devotion to our Eucharistic Lord. We are in the last few months of the Diocesan year. As a parish leader, you will be working with the clergy to provide initiatives that will bring a love of the Eucharist back to the hearts of the faithful and eventually to lead us on mission to share that love with the world.

# Year of Diocesan Revival

JUNE 2022 - JUNE 2023

Launched on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, or Corpus Christi, the first year invites diocesan staff, bishops, priests, and deacons to what Pope Francis has described as "a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ"—particularly the transforming power and mercy of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. Each Diocese will offer events that encourage the faithful to grow in their understanding and devotion to Christ in the Eucharist, complemented by online formation and resources that will raise up Eucharistic Missionaries at all levels of the Church! Please join us in prayer for the renewal and healing of the United States as we answer this historic call to revival.

#### Year of Parish Revival

JUNE 2023 - JUNE 2024

The second phase will foster eucharistic devotion at the parish level, strengthening our liturgical life through eucharistic adoration, missions, resources, preaching, and organic movements of the Holy Spirit. These local efforts will help convert hearts and minds to fall more deeply in love with Jesus Christ, truly present in the Holy Eucharist.

# **National Eucharistic Congress**

**JULY 2024** 

At this historic event, more than 80,000 Catholics of all ages will gather in Indianapolis to worship our Risen Lord in his humble disguise. The Holy Spirit will enkindle a missionary fire in the heart of our nation as we reconsecrate ourselves to the source and summit of our faith.

# National Year of Mission

JULY 2024 - JULY 2025

From the Congress in 2024 through Pentecost of 2025, the entire American Church will be sent on mission to share the gift of our Eucharistic Lord with their local communities and beyond. Let the light shine forth!

# Jubilee Year

**2025 JUBILEE YEAR** 

The Vatican has announced that 2025 will be a Jubilee Year with the motto *Pilgrims of Hope*. This year of special grace providentially coincides with the Revival's national year of mission! Pope Francis believes the 2025 Jubilee will "contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust."

# **Planning**

# The Challenge

We are challenging each parish during the Parish Year to do four initiatives (approximately one per quarter) between Corpus Christi Sunday (June 11, 2023) and the National Eucharistic Congress (July 17, 2024).

#### Four Initiatives

The first initiative, a Eucharistic Procession of Corpus Christi Sunday, is required of every parish.

The other three initiatives are **up to your leadership team to decide**. This may seem like a daunting task but know that you are not expected to pull this off without support. The Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation and the Office of Divine Worship are here to consult, collaborate, coach, and cheer you on in your efforts.

# Your Team

The first step in the planning process is to work with your clergy, parish staff, and volunteers to assemble a team of disciples to lead your parish in revival. Gather together members of your parish who have a love of the Lord, who are faithful to his teachings, who can affect change, and who can get things done. Prayerfully consider team members who are FACT (Faithful, Available, Contagious, and Teachable). Hold regular meetings to pray for guidance and to keep each other up to date in the planning process.

#### Faithful

They have been vetted in some substantive way to ensure that the person is in line with the teachings of our Church and understands the Church's mission and practice. They have a developed spiritual life including the areas of prayer, good moral life and holy habits, a faithful sacramental life and an eagerness to do God's will.

#### Available

They have dedicated time and experience in the field of ministry. They have demonstrated a willingness to give the time necessary.

# Contagious

They are able to build relationships easily and have a positive influence on others.

#### Teachable

They are willing to learn about the Eucharistic Revival, be open to the Holy Spirit, and are humble enough to know what they know and what they don't know.

# Research Your Options and Discern

As a team, look over the resources in this guide. Prayerfully discern where the Holy Spirit might be leading your parish to encounter our Eucharistic Lord. Discuss as a group which of these might best fit your parish culture, fill an existing need, or compliment your current calendar well. Pay special attention to those initiatives which will bring families and individuals together to encounter and share Christ with each other.

# Plot the Course

Work with the parish staff to set dates for each initiative. Choose a point person for each project. Book the appropriate spaces. Recruit volunteers to help. Communicate the plan utilizing the resources in this guidebook to your parishioners. Pray as a parish for a fruitful year. Contact the office of Evangelization and Faith Formation for support, accountability, and for help in spreading the word.

# **Execute the Plan**

Work together in charity to make the plan work. Meeting regularly to pray, to support, and update each other on the progress of your projects. Contact the Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation if you need help or guidance along the way. Below you will find a simple chart to get you started.

Event	Time(s)	Locations	Leadership
(E.g.) Eucharistic	Sunday 10:30 Mass	Down Main Street	Fr. Jack and the
Procession  Eucharistic Procession			Deacons
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# Resources

# **Communications Toolkit**

The Office of Communications is working to provide customizable materials for your parish to effectively promote the Eucharistic Revival at your parish. Here is a list of great things in the works. For a complete list and to download the resources go to our landing page: <a href="https://cdom.org/eucharistic-revival-diocese-of-memphis/">https://cdom.org/eucharistic-revival-diocese-of-memphis/</a>

- Flocknote Templates
- Flyer
- Pulpit Announcements
- Bulletin Announcements
- Vinyl Signs
- Yard Signs
- Letters To Parish
- Parish Website
- Social Media
- Press Release Template

# **Eucharistic Procession**

As in the Diocesan Year when each diocese around the country united as one on Corpus Christi Sunday by holding Eucharistic Processions, we are calling for each parish in the Diocese of Memphis to host their own procession. Priests were emailed instructions for Eucharistic Processions from the Office of Divine Worship in February. Some of these processions will require local permits depending on the route parishes take. Please be sure to check with your pastor with this first thing when planning your event.

# **Eucharistic Revival Videos**

You may be aware that over the past several months, during the diocesan year of the National Eucharistic Revival, the Diocese of Memphis has released several locally-produced videos designed to encourage the local Church and revive our faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. There are teachings, testimonials from laypeople, Religious, and clergy as well as and messages of enlightenment and encouragement from our shepherd, Bishop David Talley.

These videos have been made available on the diocesan website so that you may use them as resources to inspire your parishioners during the parish year of the Revival. You may link to them or download them and use them at Bible studies, small group studies, parish gatherings or just send them out to your flock. To access the videos, simply go to the our landing page <a href="https://cdom.org/eucharistic-revival-diocese-of-memphis/">https://cdom.org/eucharistic-revival-diocese-of-memphis/</a>.

# Speakers Bureau

Similar to the list the National Eucharistic Revival provided of Eucharistic Preachers for Dioceses, we are providing parishes a list of Speakers to assist with giving talks for the Revival. The Speaker's Bureau members are well-formed and personally chosen by the parish to participate. They can be invited to a parish dinner and talk, a multi-event mission, or a talk for a small group. Depending on the need, the talk or talks may last anywhere from 15 minutes to over an hour. We are suggesting that parishes provide a stipend for the speakers in appreciation for their time. Contact the Sam Mauck at <a href="mailto:sam.mauck@cc.cdom.org">sam.mauck@cc.cdom.org</a> for more information. Our list of speakers will appear on our landing page at <a href="https://cdom.org/eucharistic-revival-diocese-of-memphis/">https://cdom.org/eucharistic-revival-diocese-of-memphis/</a>.



# **Testimony Training**

"Modern man listens more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if he does listen to teachers, it is because they are witnesses." Evangelii Nuntiandi 41

Our personal Testimonies are some of the most powerful witnesses to the truth, beauty, and goodness of Our Lord in the Eucharist. Our stories are the best means to reach people's hearts, and sharing them is essential to the fruitful impact of our missions, retreats, and talks. "Always be prepared to make a defense to anyone who calls you to account for the hope that is in you." - Peter 3:15

If you would like support in building up a team of missionaries in your parish, willing to develop and share their testimonies, contact Sam Mauck, at <a href="mailto:sam.mauck@cc.cdom.org">sam.mauck@cc.cdom.org</a>.

# **FOCUS Training**

Here is a bible study on testimony that you can lead yourself! The Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS) is a Catholic Missionary Apostolate whose overwhelming success comes primarily from missionaries who form friendships with college students, who share Christ with them, and who invite their friends to join them on mission to share Christ with others. They have developed a small group bible study based on ACTS 26 to enable others to discover their story, write their 3-5 minute testimony and share it with others. The Bible study is free through focusequip.org and is applicable to people of all ages who wish to share others about their encounters with the Eucharist.

https://focusequip.org/the-power-of-your-testimony/

https://focusequip.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Acts-of-the-Apostles 8.pdf

# **Programming Suggestions**

# Adoration/Holy Hour

From the National Eucharistic Revival: "During the season of Advent and Lent, Catholic communities customarily offer expanded opportunities for the Sacrament of Penance. During the National Eucharistic Revival, communities are encouraged to incorporate Eucharistic adoration as well, inspired by the tradition of 'Nights of Mercy.' In this resource, you'll find some helpful considerations for you and your community as you discern how you might host a Night of Mercy. Available in English and Spanish." <a href="https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1qWULBV5KMMyT0hhYXP54SQS6AA5wU0gO?usp=sharing">https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1qWULBV5KMMyT0hhYXP54SQS6AA5wU0gO?usp=sharing</a>

We also have examples of our Diocesan Holy Hours which you can adapt for your own parish. Please see our landing page, https://cdom.org/eucharistic-revival-diocese-of-memphis/.

# Society of St Faustina of The Divine Mercy Prayer Initiative

The Society of St Faustina of Divine Mercy located at St. Ann in Bartlett is inviting each parish in the Diocese of Memphis to unite in daily prayer before the Blessed Sacrament from the 3PM-4PM Hour of Mercy at each local parish. Here's how it works:

- 1) Each parish considers devoting a team of people to pray a Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Rosary before the Eucharist (either exposed or reserved in the Tabernacle) every day during the Holy Hour of Mercy from 3PM to 4PM.\* They will have three specific intentions for which to pray: (1) for the Clergy and Religious of their parish, (2) for the sick and dying in their parish, and (3) for Bishop David Talley and all clergy in the Diocese of Memphis and their intentions.
- 2) At the same time, members of The Society of St Faustina of Divine Mercy will be praying in unity with those in the parishes during their Eucharistic Holy Hour held at The St. Faustina Shrine at St. Ann in Bartlett.

\*If the parishioners cannot make it to their parish to pray, they can pray at their home, their office desk, or wherever they are. If they cannot pray at all on a particular day, notify Jay Hastings so the St Faustina Shrine/Society can pray for them.

To enroll in this initiative, please contact Sharon Kowalke at Sharon.kowalke@cc.cdom.org.

# **Small Group Studies**

Small groups are an incredibly effective way to build community, form others in the faith, and foster greater devotion to the Eucharist. Below is a list of small group resources we recommend with descriptions from the publishers.

# Online Offerings

National Eucharistic Revival

Jesus and the Eucharist

Eucharistic small groups will begin in the Year of the Parish Revival (2023-2024) and will continue through the Year of Missionary Sending (2024-2025). In the Parish Year, the Revival Team will offer a foundation small group study titled "Jesus and the Eucharist." The study is 7 sessions long, ready-made for easy parish use, and free of charge. The session content begins with kerygmatic proclamation and builds to God's love in the Eucharist.

The Revival Team will provide the small group video and materials, along with training and support for the parish throughout the process, beginning this spring. The Revival Team is also working with apostolates to offer a variety of small group materials for the Year of Missionary Sending.

Sign up to be a Parish Point Person to receive a copy when it releases. Here's a <u>link for parishes to submit</u> names of their "Parish Point Persons

# Formed

#### The Eucharist

In the midst of the roaring waves of today's times, Jesus Christ invites us to return to the Source and Summit of our faith—his Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. The Eucharistic Revival is a national movement to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. FORMED is proud to accompany the USCCB as we reinvigorate the Church in her understanding of and love for Our Lord in this sacrament. Learn what the Church teaches about this precious gift and why it is pivotal to your spiritual journey through these resources on FORMED!

https://watch.formed.org/eucharist

Catechetical Institute by Franciscan at Home

#### **Eucharistic Renewal Track**

But only say the word and my soul shall be healed...

Called to Him. Kept in Him. Made new in Him. God's generosity and His Fatherly love is most fully manifest in His Son's incarnation in ancient Israel and His continuing presence in the Blessed Sacrament upon every altar. Our lives flow from the Eucharist and lead back to the Eucharist, so that we may be filled with God's life, sent into the world to proclaim the Good News, and be strengthened and invigorated for a life lived for others. This pragmatic and deeply inspiring set of workshops addresses three critical aspects of the Eucharistic renewal so needed today:

- How to see God's gift of the Eucharist, rooted in knowing Jesus personally and loving the sacred liturgy.
- How to be formed for a Eucharistic life of intimate devotion and radical trust.
- How to give the saving truths of the Eucharist to others effectively in the home, the classroom, and in any relationship.

It is our privilege to pass on this magnificent inheritance of faith to the next generation, echoing the action of faithful disciples from the centuries before us. This track is designed to help you, whether you are a priest, deacon, parent, parish catechetical leader, catechist, teacher, youth minister, or parishioner, to better understand the Eucharist and its matchless importance in God's plan for humanity.

https://franciscanathome.com/diocese-memphis

#### Revive Parishes



# The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church with Bishop Andrew Cozzens

The Eucharist is indeed Jesus Christ, and as Catholics, a gift that requires our response. And what a gift it is! In this groundbreaking new course, Bishop Cozzens breaks open the new document published by the USCCB: "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church." This is the perfect companion resource!

https://reviveparishes.com/eucharist

Here is a link to "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church" https://www.usccb.org/resources/mystery-eucharist-life-church

# **Paper Offerings**

The Eucharist in Scripture: Clifford M. Yeary with Little Rock Scripture Study

The Eucharist in Scripture explores the biblical theme of meals shared in faithful fellowship and in covenant relationship with God. Old Testament meals and promises provide a foundation for gospel meals with Jesus, culminating in the Last Supper as it is understood throughout the New Testament. Jesus' bread of life discourse and the early church's practice of "breaking bread" are also explored. Commentary, study and reflection questions, prayer, and access to online lectures are included. 5 lessons.

https://litpress.org/Products/6515/The-Eucharist-in-Scripture

The Eucharist - A Bible Study Guide for Catholics: Fr. Mitch Pacwa

It is called the "source and summit" of our Catholic faith: the Holy Eucharist. But do we really understand its true meaning? In Fr. Mitch Pacwa's The Eucharist: A Bible Study Guide for Catholics you will see the essential connection between the Eucharist and the Scriptures, and through reflection and discussion you'll learn to apply the principles in your own life. Perfect for group or individual study, The Eucharist will change the way you look at the Mass and allow you to meet Jesus as transformed by His gift of life.

https://www.catholiccompany.com/eucharist-bible-study-guide-catholics-i36017

# The Eucharist: Bishop Robert Barron, Word on Fire

More than half of current Catholics do not know the Church's teaching on the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. While it is an ineffable mystery, Vatican II called the Eucharist the "source and summit of the Christian life." Delve into the mystery of Christ's presence in your life, and the centrality of the Eucharist as an important part of that presence.

This fresh look at the Eucharist brings to light its reality as sacred meal, the sacrifice necessary for communion with God, and the Real Presence of Christ. This video-based study program can be experienced individually or in a group. Groups meet for six 90-minute sessions to explore the Eucharist as sacred meal, which is foreshadowed in many parts of the Old Testament, the once-and-for-all sacrifice that reunited humanity with God, and the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Christ, present through transubstantiation.

https://www.wordonfire.org/study-programs/eucharist/

# Families with Small Children

#### OSV Kids Magazine

Anchored by a handy calendar, each issue of OSV Kids follows the liturgical year and highlights ways families can joyfully live the Church year at home. Each month, OSV Kids introduces a new prayer to learn and breaks down a reading from Mass to help even the littlest ones start to develop their own spiritual life and become familiar with Scripture. Best of all, OSV Kids helps young children build a relationship with Jesus, Mary and the saints that will serve as a foundation for the rest of their lives.

https://www.osvkids.com/magazine/



# MagnifiKid Magazine

The ideal spiritual guide for your children, perfectly adapted to their lives:

- to accompany them on the path of daily prayer;
- to help them develop and nourish their spiritual lives;
- to hand on to them our rich Christian spiritual values;
- to encourage them to participate fully in the life of the Church.

# Every week, MagnifiKid offers:

- All the readings and the prayers of the Sunday Mass with explanations of the difficult words and the meaning of the rituals;
- A suggested prayer for Morning and Evening;
- Many suggestions on how to live the entire week with the Lord;
- Various games, a comic, and activities to help children learn about Christian life and culture;
- A page intended for the parents with suggestions for family prayers.

MagnifiKid is for children between the ages of 6 and 12. Subscribers receive the issues on a monthly basis. In each month's packet, children will find a booklet of sixteen color pages for each Sunday, and also special issues for the major feast days (Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week, Ascension, Assumption, All Saints Day).

# https://us.magnificat.net/magnifikid

# Guided Children's Adoration by St. William Catholic Church, Round Rock, TX

"Guided Children's Adoration is a program to help children grow in their friendship with Christ and their Catholic faith. It is a positive and intentional way to educate our Catholic youth in Eucharistic Adoration as requested by our popes. Adoration keeps our youth rooted in the Love of Christ, encourages strong faith in challenging times, and greatly pleases our Lord."

-Rev. Dean E. Wilhelm

It is full of resources for families for all things related to Children's Adoration. Particularly, enjoy the "Lesson Plans for A Guided Hour of Eucharistic Adoration for Children."

# https://www.guidedchildrensadoration.com/

# Adoration Guide for Parents by Catholic Sprouts

The Parent's Guide for Adoration was created to help parents feel more comfortable in Adoration. The booklet is half pep talk (what to do in Adoration, how to prepare your children and your own heart for Adoration) and half ideas of what to do while in Adoration (key prayers, words for common devotions, a guide for praying for specific people). This guide was created to be the ONE BOOK that a parent would need to bring to a Holy Hour.

https://shop.catholicsprouts.com/products/adoration-guide-for-parents

# **Parish Missions**

Presenting a local, parish-based mission focused on the Eucharist is an excellent way to engage the gathered parish as a community to build greater awareness of and devotion to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Missions can be done in any number of ways with a variety of styles of worship, devotion and presentation. They can cater to the specific parish's needs and occur in a variety of timeframes: weekday evenings or on weekends; over a period of several sessions, or in a one-day event. They are typically comprised of many elements such as music, talks, prayers, processions, Adoration, Confession, Mass, and devotions like the Rosary. In a very intentional way, the pastor of the parish invites his parish community to come together and praise Jesus in the Eucharist.

The Diocese of Memphis suggests that the content of the parish mission be designed to move the parish along a journey to grow ever closer to our Lord, specifically focusing on his true and abiding presence – Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity – in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. We propose two options for content, each anchored by their own three key elements.

# Mission Content Option 1

- 1. **The Kerygma** the basic "proclamation" of the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ available to every man, woman and child; that each of us is loved by God, though we are sinners in need of salvation; and that the Eucharist prepares us and sustains us in this proclamation.
- 2. **Eucharistic Mystery** what, or more precisely, Who are we worshipping, pondering and encountering as we gaze upon the Blessed Sacrament? What happens to us when we receive the Eucharist? Why does the Church teach this? How is this possible?
- 3. "I Am With You Always" the assurance that Christ will be with us in Eucharist to sustain us, to transform us, to heal us until the end of time; wherever we are and in whatever circumstance we find ourselves, Jesus is always present to us and we never again need be alone.

# Mission Content Option 2

- Called To help the parish understand how each of us are called by God's Word. It is in this
  celebration of the Word of God that we better understand "the saving power of the Gospel of
  Jusus. Isaiah 6:8 "Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for
  us? "Here I am," I said; "send me!"
- 2. **Encountered** After answering the call, we encounter Jesus in a most profound and intimate way in the Eucharist. We are invited into a deeper encounter with Christ to feed, heal and strengthen us. We become grafted onto the vine. John 15:5 "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing."
- 3. **Sent** Now that we have been called and have had a unique encounter with Christ we are empowered to go out as disciples to serve the Kingdom of God. John 20:21-22 "Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them. "Receive the Holy Spirit

These content areas can be presented in different formats to best fit your parish culture and needs. Format examples from each of the content options are included below.

# Format 1 - Day Mission (perhaps on a Saturday)...

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Opening Song
Opening Prayer
Welcome/Introduction
Song
Speaker 1 – The Kerygma
Break
Song
Speaker 2 – Eucharistic Mystery
Break (perhaps with snack/meal)
Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist (Holy Hour)
       Silence
       Worship Music/Song
       Speaker 3 - "I Am With You Always"
       Worship Music/Song
       Benediction/Reposition
Closing Song/Dismissal
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# Format 2 – Weekly series

# Week 1

Welcome and overview of series.

**Opening Prayer** 

Speaker – Called by God

Small Group discussion and sharing

Closing Prayer / Dismissal

# Week 2

Welcome

**Opening Prayer** 

Speaker – Encounter with Christ

Small Group discussion and sharing

Closing Prayer / Dismissal

# Week 3

Welcome

**Opening Prayer** 

Speaker – Sent as Disciples

Small Group discussion and sharing

Closing Prayer / Dismissal

#### Week 4

Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist (Holy Hour)

Silence

Readings / Song

Homily – Source and Summit of our Faith

Silence

Worship Music Song

Benediction / Reposition

**Closing Song** 

# Format 3 – 3-Night Mission

# 1st Night

Opening Song

Welcome/Introduction/Overview of 3 Nights

Speaker 1 – The Kerygma

Worship Music/Song

Closing Prayer/Dismissal

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Night

Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist (Holy Hour)

Silence

Worship Music/Song

Speaker 2 – Eucharistic Mystery

Worship Music/Song

Benediction/Reposition

Closing Song/Dismissal

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Night

**Holy Mass** 

Homily - "I Am With You Always"



If you need any help or assistance in designing, planning or executing your parish mission, please do not hesitate to contact Sharon Kowalke in the Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation at the Chancery at 901-373-1234 or at <a href="mailto:sharon.kowalke@cc.cdom.org">sharon.kowalke@cc.cdom.org</a>.

# **Book Club**

Book discussions are a wonderful way to form a parish in the Faith, foster a sense of unity, and to generate conversations about the Eucharist. The steering committee recommends the following books.

# Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist: Unlocking the Secrets of the Last Supper by Brandt Pitre

In recent years, Christians everywhere are rediscovering the Jewish roots of their faith. Every year at Easter time, many believers now celebrate Passover meals (known as Seders) seeking to understand exactly what happened at Jesus' final Passover, the night before he was crucified. Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist shines fresh light on the Last Supper by looking at it through Jewish eyes. Using his in-depth knowledge of the Bible and ancient Judaism, Dr. Brant Pitre answers questions such as: What was the Passover like at the time of Jesus? What were the Jewish hopes for the Messiah? What was Jesus' purpose in instituting the Eucharist during the feast of Passover? And, most important of all, what did Jesus mean when he said, "This is my body... This is my blood"? To answer these questions, Pitre explores ancient Jewish beliefs about the Passover of the Messiah, the miraculous Manna from heaven, and the mysterious Bread of the Presence. As he shows, these three keys—the Passover, the Manna, and the Bread of the Presence—have the power to unlock the original meaning of the Eucharistic words of Jesus. Along the way, Pitre also explains how Jesus united the Last Supper to his death on Good Friday and his Resurrection on Easter Sunday. Inspiring and informative, Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist is a groundbreaking work that is sure to illuminate one of the greatest mysteries of the Christian faith: the mystery of Jesus' presence in "the breaking of the bread."

https://ignatius.com/jesus-and-the-jewish-roots-of-the-eucharist-jjrep/

Discussion guide from Church of the Ascension in Overland Park, KS

https://kcascension.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Pitre-Discussion-Guide.pdf

# The Lamb's Supper: The Mass as Heaven on Earth by Dr. Scott Hahn

Of all things Catholic, there is nothing that is so familiar as the Mass. With its unchanging prayers, the Mass fits Catholics like their favorite clothes. Yet most Catholics sitting in the pews on Sundays fail to see the powerful supernatural drama that enfolds them. Pope John Paul II described the Mass as "Heaven on Earth," explaining that what "we celebrate on Earth is a mysterious participation in the heavenly liturgy." The Lamb's Supper reveals a long-lost secret of the Church: The early Christians' key to understanding the mysteries of the Mass was the New Testament Book of Revelation. With its bizarre imagery, its mystic visions of heaven, and its end-of-time prophecies, Revelation mirrors the sacrifice and celebration of the Eucharist. Beautifully written, in clear direct language, bestselling Catholic author Scott Hahn's new book will help readers see the Mass with new eyes, pray the liturgy with a renewed heart, and enter into the Mass more fully, enthusiastically, intelligently, and powerfully than ever before.

https://www.scotthahn.com/resources-1/2016/1/14/the-lambs-supper

**Study Guide** by St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology

https://stpaulcenter.com/product/scott-hahns-study-guide-for-the-lamb-s-supper/

# For More Help

This reference is not intended to serve as the only guidance your parish receives. It is designed to be a starting point to guide your planning. As with any type of event like this revival, there will be challenges, resistance, bumps in the road. If at any time you need more resources or support, answers to questions, or guidance on next steps, the Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation is here to help with anything you may need. Please contact Sam Mauck at (901) 373-1256 or <a href="mailto:sam.mauck@cc.cdom.org">sam.mauck@cc.cdom.org</a> if you need anything. We'll find the right person or resource to help you accomplish what your parish needs.