

Dear Parishioners of St. Petronille,

If you heard that the Church was about to experience a new Pentecost, would you want to be there when it happens? This summer the largest gathering of Catholics in America in 83 years is gathering in Indianapolis--bishops, priests, religious, and laypeople from every corner of the United States will be there and our parish is also invited to attend. The National Eucharistic Congress is the watershed moment of the National Eucharistic Revival.

The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement led by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops to rekindle our faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Yes, the same Jesus who walked from town to town in Galilee healing the sick, giving sight to the blind, and casting out demons, is truly present in the Holy Eucharist and wants to give himself to us, to unite us to him in love. We become one with him when we receive him in the Eucharist. This is what Jesus wants us to know and to tell others. "Go and make disciples of all peoples," he said. The National Eucharistic Congress will prepare us for the year of mission in 2024-2025 when we will be sent to bring this good news that God is with us to those who most need to hear it—our families, our neighbors, and everyone we encounter. St. Petronille is gathering a group of parishioners like you to represent our community at this once-in-a-lifetime gathering and to return enkindled with the fire of God's love for every soul. Below are some key details about the event.

WHEN: July 17–21, 2024

WHERE: Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, IN

WHAT:

- Five powerful days of worship, formation, and fellowship
- A world-class lineup of Catholic speakers, including Bishop Robert Barron, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Sr. Josephine Garrett, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, and many more!
- Morning "impact sessions" you choose that speak to your unique vocation, stage of life, and mission
- A wide array of experiences and events to choose from during the afternoon
- Evening "Revival sessions" where we will experience the revival Our Lord desires to accomplish

Visit eucharisticcongress.org to learn more, then contact our parish office for more information about registering with your fellow parishioners. Space is limited. We have purchased twenty passes.

Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to be part of a historic moment in the life of the Church.

In Christ,

Fr. Thomas Milota