

Historic national Eucharistic procession planned





You can be a part of it!

One of the longest Eucharistic processions in history will cross America this summer, with stops in three neighboring dioceses

"Just as crowds followed Christ throughout his earthly ministry, our nation will process with our Eucharistic Lord over 6,500 miles — through cities, along highways and past rural towns — on his way to the 10th National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis this summer," according to organizers of the National Eucharistic Revival. (See box on page 19 for details about the congress.)

Even if you aren't going to the congress, you can join tens of thousands of Catholics from across the country in one of four Eucharist processions converging in Indianapolis on routes from four corners of the United States.

The St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route will cover the eastern half of the country, beginning in New Haven, Connecticut, on May 17. After traveling along the Atlantic coast, through Manhattan, Philadelphia and Baltimore, the procession will stop at parishes in the dioceses of Altoona, Greensburg and Pittsburgh.

- The procession will make four stops in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown between June 9 and 11, including Mass at Our Lady of the Alleghenies in Loretto, a procession and Mass at St. John Gaulbert Cathedral in Johnstown, Mass at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Altoona and a procession as well as uplifting praise and worship at St. Catherine of Siena Church in Duncansville.
- On June 12, the procession will begin at Sacred Heart Parish, 553 Patton Ave., in Jeannette, Pennsylvania, where you can attend Mass at 10 am and then join a one-mile procession to Ascension Church, 615 Division St., also in Jeannette, which is offering a homemade spaghetti lunch.
- Adoration and a youth choir send-off will then be held at Immaculate Conception Parish, 308 2nd St., Irwin, Pennsylvania. Adoration is planned for 3 to 4 pm, followed by the choir send-off and an ice cream social.

The pilgrimage will then be a part of two dozen events in the Diocese of Pittsburgh between June 12 and 19. Holy Hours, processions, Masses and a picnic supper are listed at parishes in McKeesport, Pittsburgh, Beaver Falls, Midland, New Castle, Bridgeville and Coraopolis.

Visit

www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org/st-elizabeth-ann-seton-route and click on the city of your choice for details about each event as well as times and addresses.



Make plans now to be a part of this historic and grace-filled event.

Three additional routes — the Marian Route, beginning in Minnesota; the St. Juan Diego Route, beginning in Texas; and the St. Junipero Serra Route, beginning in California — will be taking place at the same time. Twenty-four young adults have been selected from across the country as perpetual pilgrims, each walking more than 1,000 miles along one of the routes.

Zoe Dongas, one of the perpetual pilgrims who will walk along the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route, says she applied to become a perpetual pilgrim "because the idea of going on an adventure like this with Jesus is one of a kind. It sounds like a dream," she says. "We will get to see all of the blessings and graces that our Lord wants to bring." †



Indianapolis hosts National Eucharistic Congress

More than 60 pilgrims from the Diocese of Erie are traveling to the National Eucharistic Congress together thanks to the efforts of the Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration Committee. Although the deadline to participate in the pilgrimage has passed, it's not too late to make your own arrangements! If you have questions about the event or logistics, email Jo Feeney at eriedeac@gmail.com. You can find a detailed schedule and more information about the congress, the first to happen in the United States in 83 years, at

www.eriercd.org/eucharisticrevival.html.

Faith magazine is sending reporters and will offer a special section about both the procession and the congress in its September 2024 edition.



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