

THE MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST ANXIOUSLY AWAITS A EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL



We here on the Mississippi Gulf Coast are looking forward to the upcoming year, where we will be continuing with millions of Catholics across the country in year two of The National Eucharistic Revival. There will be thousands joining us along the Gulf Coast in the Summer of 2024. With this in mind, I thought I would try to give everyone an overall perspective and plan for this so badly needed historic event.

What is the National Eucharistic Revival? The National Eucharistic Revival is a three-year initiative, started by the U.S. Bishops that looks to inspire, educate, and unite our people in a more intimate relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist and to reconsecrate the heart of our nation. The goal is to create a movement of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist — and then sent out in mission “for the life of the world.”

For years, studies have shown that Catholics misunderstand the meaning of the Eucharist, seeing it as a mere symbol and not the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. In fact, the estimates showed as many as 85% believed this. As the Eucharist is Jesus’ abiding presence in our lives, as the source and summit of our faith, we needed to find a way to bring Jesus to the center of our worship. This Eucharistic Revival is the tool being used to do so.

The first year of the revival focused on Diocesan renewal. Individual dioceses across the country offered events this past year, to promote and inspire understanding of the Eucharist. It focused on diocesan renewal through bishops, formation of diocesan teams, priests and base work to support parishes.

The second year of the revival, which we are now in, is dedicated to encouraging eucharistic devotion at the parish level...in general, a parish and community renewal of sorts. The Bishops have encouraged the ordained in our communities to preach on the revival. They have formed Parish Eucharistic Revival Teams which have focused on education, expanding opportunities for Adoration, creating focus groups, and planning various other events that bring the community closer to the Eucharist. The second year will culminate with two major events. In the June of 2024, we expect millions to participate in the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage beginning from each corner of the country and ending in Indianapolis for the National Eucharistic Congress July 17–21. Our Parish teams are prepping for the one-week period, beginning June 9, when the Pilgrimage will be visiting select Parishes along the Mississippi Gulf Coast .

What is the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage?

The pilgrimage is modeled after the road to Emmaus and is an invitation for all to encounter the risen Christ on the journey and in the breaking of the bread before being sent on a mission into their local communities to spread the news.

It will begin during the feast of Pentecost, May 17–19, 2024, from four origin points: San Francisco, Ca. in the west; Bemidji, Minnesota, from the north; New Haven, Connecticut, from the east; and Brownsville, Texas, from the south. All will be invited to join in portions of the pilgrimage and to walk with the eucharistic Jesus across the nation. Of note, four dozen full-time pilgrims from each corner of the U.S. will make the entire journey. These full-time pilgrims will be young Catholics between the ages of 19 and 29. Our section of the country is part of the “Juan Diego Route” beginning in Brownsville, Texas, at the U.S.-Mexico border. It will follow the Texas’ eastern border through Corpus Christi and Houston, and continue through New Orleans, La; Biloxi, Ms; Mobile, Alabama; Atlanta, Ga; Nashville, Tennessee; and Louisville, Kentucky; on its way to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis.

What is the National Eucharistic Congress?

This will be a historic occasion for our Nation and for all Catholics. We are expecting in excess of 100,000 people in Indianapolis by way of the pilgrimages. The Eucharistic Congress will prepare and equip the faithful to be Eucharistic Missionaries. It will be a tool that will allow the Holy Spirit to light the missionary fire of our nation. It is a five-day event of prayers, speakers, and liturgical celebrations, and no doubt the highlight of the three-year National Eucharistic Revival campaign. The National Eucharistic Congress will be the first one in the United States in almost 83 years.

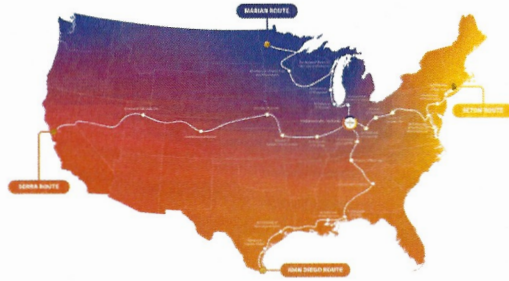
The third and final year of the National Eucharistic Revival, following the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress, will be dedicated to the Church, lit by the Holy Spirit, going out on mission to renew the world. How badly does this divided world we live in today need this movement.

The Diocesan Team and Local Teams have been meeting for months to make preparations and will soon release an official schedule to keep our communities informed of the events. I encourage you to visit the National Eucharistic Revival Web Page [National Eucharistic Revival: A Grassroots Response to God’s Invitation](#) and to make contact with your local Parish Eucharistic Revival Teams within our communities, ask questions and join the pilgrimage and possibly the Congress in Indianapolis. The movement, inspired by the Holy Spirit, is the tool that will save the soul of our Nation.

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NATIONAL Eucharistic Pilgrimage



DAY 1 -- SUNDAY JUNE 9, 2024

Holy Family Church
22342 Evangeline Dr,
Pass Christian, MS 39571
<https://www.holyfamilyparish.cc>
PRIVATE EVENT: Dinner with Council &
Diocesan Team Conference Center 6 p.m.

DAY 2 -- MONDAY JUNE 10, 2024

Our Lady of the Gulf Church
228 S Beach Blvd,
Bay St Louis, MS.39520-4320
<https://olgchurch.net>
Mass in Church 10 a.m., Testimonies in Church 11 a.m.
Lunch, Welcome talk Bishop Louis Kihneman III, Bishop of Biloxi,
Community Center 12 p.m., Right to Life Ministries talks Community
Center 12:30 p.m., Exposition, Holy Hour and Benediction in Church 5 p.m.,
Social in Community Center 6 p.m.

DAY 3 -- TUES. START JUNE 11, 2024

Our Lady of the Gulf Church
228 S Beach Blvd,
Bay St Louis, MS.39520-4320
<https://olgchurch.net>
Mass in Church 7 a.m., Pilgrim Walk to St. Paul's Chapel 8 a.m.

DAY 3 -- TUES. MID DAY JUNE 11, 2024

St Paul's Chapel
101-199 E Scenic Dr.,
Pass Christian, MS. 39571
<https://www.holyfamilyparish.cc>
Rosary at St. Paul's Chapel 12 p.m., Cultural Event
& Lunch on Chapel Street 12:30 p.m.

DAY 3 -- TUES. END JUNE 11, 2024

Holy Family Church
22342 Evangeline Dr,
Pass Christian, MS 39571
<https://www.holyfamilyparish.cc>
Adore Event in Church 6 p.m., Adoration in Church 8 p.m.-Midnight

DAY 4 -- WEDS. START JUNE 12, 2024

St Paul's Chapel
101-199 E Scenic Dr.,
Pass Christian, MS. 39571
<https://www.holyfamilyparish.cc>
Mass in Chapel 6 a.m., Pilgrim Walk to
St. Thomas Apostle Church 7 a.m.

DAY 4 -- WEDS. END JUNE 12, 2024

Saint Thomas the Apostle Church
720 East Beach Blvd, P.O. Box 1529,
Long Beach MS. 39560
<https://saintthomaslb.org>
Adoration in Church 11:30 a.m., Lunch in Center 12:30 p.m.,
Deo Gloria in Church 5 p.m., Blessing of the Sea 7 p.m.

DAY 5 -- THURS. START JUNE 13, 2024

Saint James Church
366 Cowan Road
Gulfport, MS 39507
<https://www.saintjamescc.com>
Mass in Church 7 a.m., Pilgrimage Rally in Parking Lot 8 a.m.,
Pilgrim Walk to Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral 9 a.m., XLT in Church 7 p.m.

DAY 5 -- THURS. END JUNE 13, 2024

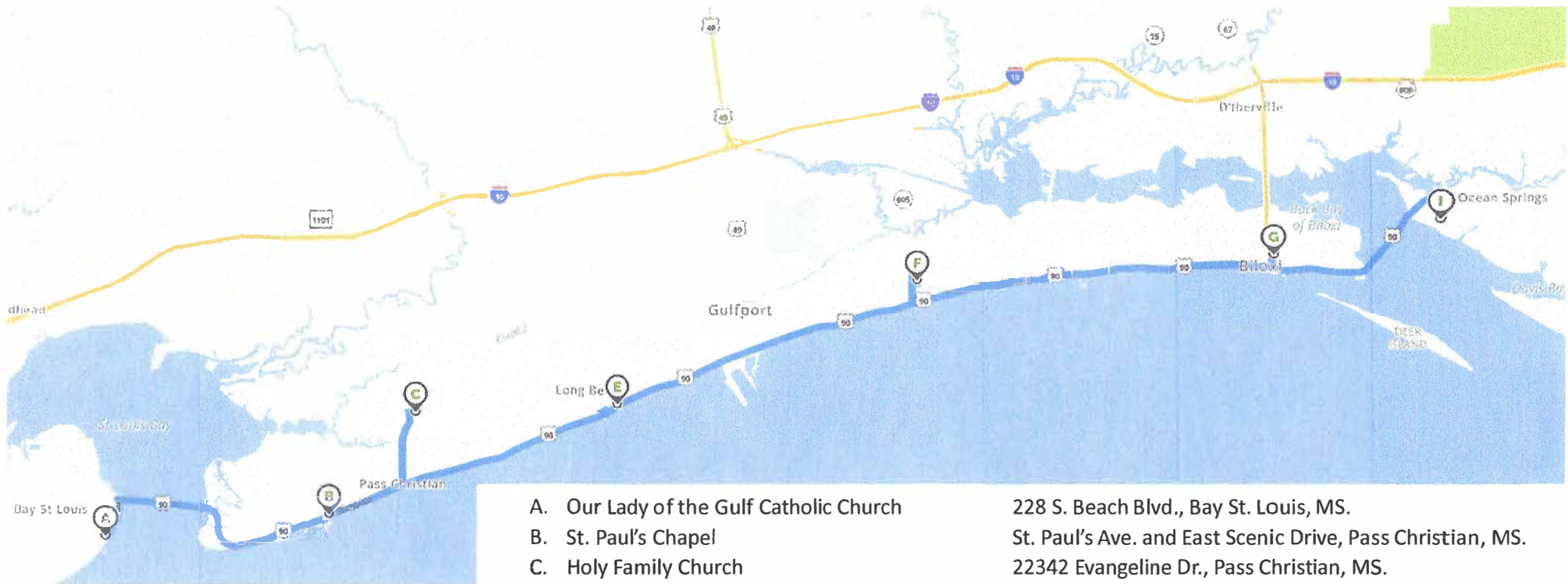
Nativity B.V.M Cathedral
870 Howard Ave,
Biloxi MS., 39530
<https://nativitybvmcathedral.org>
Benediction in Cathedral upon arrival between 2 p.m. & 3 p.m.

DAY 6 -- FRIDAY JUNE 14, 2024

Saint Alphonsus Church
502 Jackson Ave.
Ocean Springs, MS 39564
<https://osstalphonsus.org>
Mass in Church with Vietnamese Choir 8:15 a.m., Corporal Works
Mercy Cross Property 9 a.m., PRIVATE EVENT: Lunch at
Anthony's Restaurant 1 p.m.

National Eucharistic Revival: <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>
Diocese Eucharistic Revival: <https://www.biloxidiocese.org/eucharist>

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| A. Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church | 228 S. Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis, MS. |
| B. St. Paul's Chapel | St. Paul's Ave. and East Scenic Drive, Pass Christian, MS. |
| C. Holy Family Church | 22342 Evangeline Dr., Pass Christian, MS. |
| D. St. St. Paul's Chapel | St. Paul's Ave. and East Scenic Drive, Pass Christian, MS. |
| E. St. Thomas Apostle Church | 720 East Beach Blvd., Long Beach, MS. |
| F. St. James Church | 366 Cowan Rd., Gulfport, MS. |
| G. Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Cathedral | 870 Howard Ave., Biloxi, MS. |
| H. St. James Church | 366 Cowan Rd., Gulfport, MS. |
| I. St. Alphonsus Church | 502 Jackson Ave., Ocean Springs, MS. |

Diocese of Biloxi Eucharistic Pilgrimage Routes (Processions)

Requirements: at each station 6 each port a potty and possibly water stations solutions

ROUTE: Our Lady of the Gulf Church, Bay St. Louis to St. Paul's Chapel, Pass Christian (6.1 miles)

DATE: June 11, 2024

REST STOP LOCATIONS

#1 Intersection of Bayview and Highway 90 east

#2 Intersection Across from Henderson Park and on Highway 90 east

#3 at St. Paul's Chapel

ROUTE: St. Paul's Chapel, Pass Christian to St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Long Beach

DATE: June 12, 2024

REST STOP LOCATIONS

#1 Intersection of Menge and Highway 90 east

#2 Intersection of Pitcher Point Ave. and Highway 90 east

ROUTE: St. James, Gulfport to Nativity BVM Cathedral, Biloxi

DATE: June 13, 2024

REST STOP LOCATIONS

#1 Gateway Drive and Highway 90 east

#2 Broadwater Beach and Highway 90 east

#3 St. Francis Street and Highway 90 east

VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS AT EACH STATION

Outdoor Canopy

2 ea 6 ft. tables

6 ea chairs

First Aid Kit

ice chest filled

plastic cups

case of Coke

case of Gatorade