Eucharist Revival SNCP
Planning meeting #1
Thursday, March 23, 2023
5:30 p.m. Dominican Hall

Meeting attendees
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Meeting notes
I. Prayer, welcome, and introduction of Eucharistic Revival
   A. Our goal is to have an intentional effort with every part of the Church to move people along the thresholds of discipleship to the Eucharist.
   B. The thresholds of discipleship
      1. Trust: does the individual trust in God, a Church, a Catholic/Christian individual, or even Christianity itself. Trust is an essential step in building a foundation for further growth.
      2. Curiosity: the individual desires to know more about the faith, teachings, and practices and is curious about how one has a personal relationship with Christ. The individual begins to sense there is more than previously imagined and may start to explore religious books, small faith groups, and asking questions.
      3. Openness: the individual starts to be vulnerable allowing for the prospect of a personal spiritual and relational change with Jesus. The seed of belief is sprouting but a full commitment, or consistent faith, has yet to be reached.
      4. Seeking: this active phase pulls the individual to see all the ways Christ is working in his or her life and in the world. The relationship with the Trinity is taking hold and the seeker is in a critical place of committing or rejecting Christ.
      5. Disciple: the individual accepts Jesus as our Lord and Savior and commits to a faithful relationship with Him and His mission.

II. Why the Eucharist Revival Now
   A. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hDNZeBtCjjc7
   B. The church needs healing. And the world needs the church.
      - 31% Catholics know & BELIEVE THE EUCHARIST IS THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST.
      - 39% of Catholics ATTEND MASS weekly.
      - 112,000,000 individuals have serious THOUGHTS OF SUICIDE during the last year in the US.
      - FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY OF OUR NATION the number of adults belonging to a church or congregation has FALLEN BELOW 50%.
      Statistics from the National Eucharist Revival Playbook.

III. Communion to Commission
   A. We are called to reach all people to fall in love with Jesus, inspire disciples, and go out on missionary discipleship. We will do that through for processes:
• ATTRACT: In what ways are our families of parishes attracting people through our ministry?
• ENCOUNTER: In what ways are our families of parishes creating an environment to meet Jesus, hear the kerygma, and experience conversion through the Eucharist?
• GROW: In what ways are our families of parishes creating opportunities to grow in a life of discipleship and learn more about Christ and his Church?
• WITNESS: In what ways are our families of parishes equipping and empowering people to witness to Christ, evangelize others, and serve?

B. He has called you by name to discern how you will grow His kingdom through the year of Eucharist Revival. Six main categories of impact (some examples of ER activities are noted):

• Ministry work
  • Faith formation (youth, family, adult)
    o Check publishing companies for special offerings and incorporate into small groups. The National ER will have small group formation resources.
    o Formed resources.
  • Special events
    o Corpus Christi Saturday Eucharistic procession from SD to HNJ followed by Adoration until 7:30 a.m. Sunday Mass, then Eucharistic procession from HNJ to SC after 10:30 a.m. Mass.
    o Summer series inviting parishioners to share their connection with saints who have a documented passion for the Eucharist.
  • Intercessory prayer teams
    o Work with current prayer teams and current small group faith formation to integrate special prayers for the SNCP ER effectiveness.
  • Person to person encounters
    o 30-minute conversations with parishioners and those who are members but not participating in the Sacraments. The purpose is to form a relationship, learn the individual’s faith story, listen, and pray.
    o Evangelization begins with an understanding of the people, and as Pope Paul VI said their “joys and hopes, griefs and anxieties, especially those who are poor or in any way afflicted.”
  • Visual communication

C. Path to Discipleship Through the Eucharist Revival Brainstorming Sheet.

• Each ministry group will be asked to complete the form below, one sheet for each season: Summer/fall, Advent, Lent.
• Kym is available to meet with any ministry to assist in preparing the worksheet and guiding feasibility.
• Kym is using the coordination of the family parishes ER plans and implementation as a Masters in Pastoral Studies internship for academic credit. Therefore, it goes beyond the scope of the part-time adult faith formation role.
• Kym will keep a public, master calendar of all ER opportunities and how we are tracking qualitative and quantitative data related to the plans.

IV. Next steps
A. Share meeting notes and plans with those who expressed interest in being part of the ER but unable to attend the first meeting.
B. Kym will be in contact with the largest ministries and form an events group.
C. Develop week bulletin ER content and activity/ministry updates.
D. Summer social gathering to continue brainstorming ER opportunities for Advent and Lent.
Path to Discipleship Through the Eucharist Revival Brainstorming Sheet

**Ministry Name**

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“Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible.”
— St. Francis Of Assisi

Develop Core Team
1. Assemble core team
2. Meet with ministry groups
3. Complete Path to Discipleship worksheets
4. Consolidate worksheets

Prayer
1. Prayer team leader
2. Intercessory prayer team
3. Full parish family prayer

Evangelization Plan
1. The Mass
2. Ministries & events
3. Faith formation
4. Person to person encounters

Assess
Assess effectiveness in: attract, encounter, grow, witness within each of the six impact areas: ministries, faith formation, events, prayer teams, person to person encounters, visual communication

Review
Review plans twice yearly including assessment data and provide feedback. Review allows for transparency, parish alignment, and wider plan support.

Implement
"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations” Matthew 28:29. These words are simple and direct, but the reality is completely different. Implementation is the hardest part of any plan, but grounded in the Word and faith, we can achieve a beautiful ER plan. Faith and strategy can reside together for greater success in inspiring disciples.
“God will provide.” Saint John Bosco

Eucharistic Revival Timeline

2022
Dec.
- Internal planning and organization for Feb parish rollout

2023
Feb.
- Initial meeting with those interested in advancing the ER through the SNCP family

- Archdiocesan Eucharistic Congress & Corpus Christi Sunday

June
- Begin ER events and ministries integration rollout

Aug.
- Assess plans and Advent and Lent brainstorming

Fall
- Eucharistic Revival in parishes
- ER faith formation, ministry and events underway.

2024
Spring
- Review plans progress & data