



# SACRED HEART CHURCH

**Founded 1878**  
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Dear Brothers in Christ,

On Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup> we are holding a Solemn Eucharistic Procession from Sacred Heart in Bloomfield, to the Cathedral Basilica in Newark. On the insistence of our laity, whose hearts are inflamed with the desire to spread Eucharistic devotion, we have petitioned His Eminence, Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, CSsR, and been granted permission to have a Eucharistic Procession. On the Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday, June 19 at 2:30pm (leaving from 76 Broad Street in Bloomfield) to approximately 4:30PM (ending at 89 Ridge Street, Newark). In an age of divisiveness, and polemics this is a reminder that we must all be united by the “source and summit of Christian Life” found in the Holy Eucharist.

We would like to invite your participation and accompaniment of the Most Holy Blessed Sacrament in this solemn procession. We will have one escort from the Essex County Sheriff's office along the route, and have received support from the local Knights of Columbus for their assistance and accompaniment. We will need to cover the approximately 3.3 miles of the route with Priests and Deacons who are in good standing to physically carry the Blessed Sacrament. If you are interested in participating, please send me an email with your name, parish information, and a copy of your clergy identification. If you minister outside of the New Jersey, we will need a copy of a letter from your Vicar General allowing for your participation in the procession. You can send me the information to either my email address or fax number listed below.

We will begin at approximately 2:30pm, after Exposition (beginning at approximately 1:30) from 76 Broad Street, Bloomfield NJ. We anticipate arrival of the group at the Cathedral Basilica at or before 4:30PM, at which point we will be observing solemn Benediction. The procession will occupy the sidewalk of Bloomfield Avenue and then continue south on Ridge Street to the Cathedral Basilica. All those we encounter along this 3.3 mile route will have the opportunity to adore the Lord and witness the public profession and beauty of our Catholic faith.

Yours in Christ,

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