## EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

## "Behold, I make all things NEW."

In this time of our National Eucharistic Revival, Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith: His Real Presence in the Eucharist. He invites us to a Eucharistic encounter that is powerful because it changes us. It leads to belief and becomes visible in our behaviors. It gives us our very character.

Here at Saint Joseph Parish, we have begun preparing for this revival, identifying ways for parishioners to more fully understand and encounter Christ in the Eucharist. Here's what's been done so far:

- scheduled a **parish mission** focused on the Eucharist for October 15-20 this year. Save those dates!
- established a time of silence after we receive Communion at Mass, to enable people to sit quietly with the Lord they have just received.
- begun collecting parishioners' reflections on what the Eucharist means to them. These will be published throughout the coming year. The quote to the right is from Timothy, a recent convert to the Catholic faith.

"I believe that every time I receive the Eucharist, even though I may not realize it at the time, I discover a new thing about Christ. As time passes... maybe later in the day or later in the week... I'll learn something new. And it's not just some trivial thing... I'm able to better understand His will. I'm coming closer to Christ." -Timothy

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON WHAT THE EUCHARIST MEANS TO YOU, CONTACT MARY AT COMMUNICATIONS@STJOSEPHMECH.ORG OR 717-766-9433.