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## From North, South, East and West the Eucharistic Processions Have Begun...

America's 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment of the Bill of Rights of our Constitution affirms to all Americans of all faiths the right to believe according to their conscience and to live those beliefs openly and freely from church and home to community and country.

President Thomas Jefferson made it clear that the state had no place in determining any citizen's conscientious beliefs nor the practice of his chosen faith. Jefferson clarified in his letter to the Danbury Baptists in 1802, that the matter of religious beliefs and practices is only between each man and his God. He asserted that 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment Freedom of Religion places a wall of separation between church and state to prevent government intrusion.

The current three-year Eucharistic Revival to inspire, educate and unite Catholics about the wonders of the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist was initiated by the United States Bishops on June 19, 2022, Corpus Christi Sunday. The revival includes worship inside our churches and cathedrals as well as Eucharistic processions in local communities, a Eucharistic Congress and a year of Mission. Starting on May 17, over 100,000 Catholics have begun four very public processions encompassing much of our Nation and arriving in Indianapolis in July for the first National Eucharistic Congress in 83 years.

This very open and public expression of faith in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist would be forbidden in many countries across our world where religious freedom does not exist. As we participate locally and nationally in these three years of Eucharistic Revival, let us include prayers of thanksgiving for America's religious freedom.

It is up to each generation to guard our religious freedom for ages and millions yet unborn.

Read more: <https://tinyurl.com/yc3aef2e>

Follow the four processions of the Marian Route (North), the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route (East), the St. Juan Diego Route (South), the St. Junipero Serra Route (West) Follow at: [Eucharisticrevival.org](http://Eucharisticrevival.org)