REGION VII –
Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin

V ENCUENTRO

Missionary Disciples:
Witnesses of God’s Love

Regional Encuentro
South Bend, IN
June 8 - 10, 2018

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Regional Working Document

Part I: Regional Information

Region: VII (IL, IN, and WI)

Date of Regional Encuentro: June 8 to 10, 2018

Location of Regional Encuentro:
- City/State: South Bend, IN
- Name of Facility: University of Notre Dame

1. Briefly describe the Region:

   See the data in Appendix 2.

2. Regional Team:

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Part II: The Voices of Hispanic/Latino People in the Peripheries

3. Summarize the highlights and common themes regarding the obstacles, needs, and situations that require pastoral attention and that prevent Hispanics/Latinos living on the periphery from reaching their potential in U.S. society:

1. Vocations
   - Lack of Hispanic priests.
   - Promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in Spanish.
   - Permanent diaconate in Spanish.

2. Youth Ministry
   - National Hispanic Youth Day.
   - Improve communication among young people using social networks.
   - Youth leadership.
   - Provide resources that respond to the reality and need of young Hispanics.
   - Need for activities and parish retreats according to the young people.

3. Young Adult Ministry
   - Celebrations and events for young adults.
   - Leadership programs.
   - Lack of comprehensive training.
   - Take into account the participation of young people through opinions and decisions.

4. Family Ministry
   - Care and support for Hispanic families.
   - Family disintegration.
   - Encourage family unity.
   - Encourage families to participate at Mass.
   - Lack of balance between parish and family.
   - Lack of respect for life (abortion, assisted euthanasia, etc.).

5. Evangelization and Mission
   - Evangelization house by house.
   - The bridge between the periphery and the Diocese.
   - The lack of interest on the part of the parish priest towards the community.
   - Lack of service in the parish and in the community.

6. Faith Formation and Catechesis
   - Comprehensive training in Spanish.
   - Bible Classes and Basic Fundamentals of the Catholic Doctrine.
   - Optimize formation in the Faith.
   - Lack of resources for Training.

7. Higher / University Education
   - Training for Permanent Hispanic Deacons.
   - Lack of education that does not allow access to better jobs.
   - Cost of a university education.
   - Access to higher education for undocumented youth.
   - Lack of knowledge of the school system.

8. Leadership Development and Formation
   - Lack of full-time Hispanic parish leaders.
   - Need for full-time Hispanic Coordinators.
   - Optimize ministerial training for Hispanics.
   - Keep technological resources updated.
   - Lack of commitment: priorities, time management, excuses, laziness, etc.

9. Liturgy and Spirituality
   - Devotional activities (Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, rosaries, etc.).
   - Priests for spiritual guides.
   - Cultural events of each country and region of origin.
   - Liturgical preparation on rituals and sacred music.
   - The language of the Holy Mass must be in accordance with the native language.
   - Encourage our spiritual and liturgical devotions in Spanish.

10. Migrant Ministry and Immigration
    - Racial discrimination.
    - Migratory status and deportation.
    - Language.
    - Lack of transportation to attend Mass or parish events due to lack of a license.
    - Lack of job opportunities due to status.
    - Overwork prevents participation and involvement in the community.
4. Summarize the highlights and common themes regarding their most significant hopes and dreams, as well as the gifts and talents they could bring to the Catholic Church, and for the common good of society:

1. Vocations
   - Hispanic priests.
   - Reopen the permanent Diaconate in Spanish.

2. Youth Ministry
   - Instruction in catechesis for children.
   - Training of youth groups.

3. Young Adult Ministry
   - Training of youth groups.

4. Family Ministry
   - Encourage family unity.
   - Promote family values.
   - Involve whole families in the life of the church.
   - Promote married life.
   - Quality of family life.
   - Encourage the participation of families through parish and diocesan activities.
   - Premarital Formation based on Hispanic culture and customs.

5. Evangelization and Mission
   - Promote the participation of different groups and parish movements.
   - A spirituality rich in traditions with a deep sense in Evangelization.
   - Practice charity.
   - Involve the clergy in Hispanic cultural diversity.
   - Evangelization house by house.
   - Greater presence of the Hispanic community in the parishes and peripheries.
   - Promote participation in the Eucharist.

6. Faith Formation and Catechesis
   - Need to create Faith Formation programs.
   - Bible courses.
   - Catechesis for adults.
   - Sacramental Formation.
   - Ministerial Training.

7. Higher / University Education
   - Finish their college degree.
   - Have their children study at the university.
   - Access to Catholic universities.

8. Leadership Development and Formation
   - Improve communication.
   - Coordinators of Hispanic Ministry.
   - Build better communication channels between the employees of the parish and the community.
   - Leadership training in all areas.
   - Promote participation in the different ministries through the media.

9. Liturgy and Spirituality
   - Implement a spiritual direction for Hispanics by the Clergy.
   - Liturgical music according to the diversity of Hispanic culture.
   - Increase the Sacramental and spiritual participation of the Hispanic community.
   - Interest in participating in the Church through the liturgy.
   - Encourage family participation in parish life.

10. Migrant Ministry and Immigration
    - Social justice.
    - Bilingual and cultural.
    - Migration reform / Deferred Action.
    - Presence and support of Hispanic Ministry in the parishes.
    - Financial resources for Hispanic Ministry.
    - Job opportunities for Hispanics.
Part III: The Voices from the Parish Communities and Participating Organizations

5. List some of the successful ways in which dioceses in the Region are already responding to the obstacles, challenges, and needs they have identified, as well as affirming the presence and contributions of Hispanics/Latinos in the peripheries:

1. **Vocations**
   - Promote vocations in schools.
   - Hispanic priests.
   - Bilingual Priests.

2. **Youth Ministry**
   - Cultivate the relationship of young people with the peripheries (young people with young people).
   - Communication among young people and knowing their needs.
   - Integral continuous training.
   - Formation of groups of children and adolescents.
   - Evangelization for children.

3. **Young Adult Ministry**
   - Encourage the participation of the liturgy in young adults.
   - Group formation for young adults.
   - Religious formation for young adults.
   - Encourage the participation of young adults within the different parish ministries.

4. **Family Ministry**
   - Create family groups (Christian family movement, workshops, marriages).
   - Childcare during family or liturgical events.
   - Regular visits to families, knowing their needs and encouraging the participation of the Liturgy.
   - Create opportunities for coexistence within the parishes to promote the construction of relationships among the parishioners.
   - Creation of events for families.

5. **Evangelization and Mission**
   - Attend to the basic needs of siblings at risk.
   - Creation of parish activities for the purpose of raising funds for Evangelization and Mission purposes.
   - Participation of bilingual or Hispanic priests through home visits and attention to the primary needs of the Hispanic community.
   - Promote liturgical participation.
   - Evangelize the sick in hospitals, homes, etc.
   - Food bank.
   - Support for single, divorced mothers, making periodic visits and knowing their basic needs, as well as promoting participation in the parish.

6. **Faith Formation and Catechesis**
   - Invest resources in training.
   - Training for adults through the Catechumenate.
   - Bible courses.
   - Catechesis for all ages.

7. **Higher / University Education**
   - A focus from Catholic universities on recruiting and supporting Hispanic students until they graduate.
   - Reach Hispanic students in the Newman Center or university pastoral.
   - English classes for adults in Catholic schools and universities so they can continue studying.

8. **Leadership Development and Formation**
   - Encourage the participation of the different ministries in the parishes.

9. **Liturgy and Spirituality**
   - Eucharistic celebration.
   - Welcome Committee in the parishes.
   - Devotional activities (Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, rosaries, etc.)
   - Liturgical music in Spanish.
   - Spiritual retreats for all ages.
   - Create moments of prayer and adoration.
   - Masses in Spanish.

10. **Migrant Ministry and Immigration**
    - Comprehensive attention to migratory needs.
    - Cultural events and patronal festivals in the cultural diversity of the Hispanic community.
    - Greater presence of the Catholic Church in immigration matters.
• Interaction between Anglos and Hispanics through the participation of bilingual events.
• Immigration legal advice and information related to immigration.
• To have full-time Hispanic Ministry personnel in the parish to meet the needs of the Hispanic community.
• Provide means of transportation for parish activities and Mass.
• Masses in Spanish.

6. List some of the best ideas and successful ways the dioceses in the Region gave for welcoming, accompanying, and embracing Hispanics/Latinos in their communities, especially: family ministries, adolescents and young adults, and those who have left the faith or are in at-risk situations:

1. **Vocations**
   - Promote vocations among Hispanics.
   - Hispanic priests and religious.
   - Vocational Retreats.
   - Bilingual priests and religious.
   - Vocational guidance for young people.
   - Economic resources for the promotion of vocations.
   - Create a bilingual Vocational Ministry.
   - Dedicate moments of prayer for vocations.

2. **Youth Ministry**
   - Encourage the welcome of young people.
   - Consult young people to learn about their needs.
   - Training of youth leaders.
   - Formation of groups of children and adolescents.
   - Creation of youth events to attract young people from the peripheries.
   - Liturgy for children.
   - Creation of Hispanic Youth Ministry.

3. **Young Adult Ministry**
   - Leadership training.
   - Group formation.
   - Creation of events.
   - Create a Hispanic Young Adult Ministry.

4. **Family Ministry**
   - Promote family and cultural values.
   - Promote the sacraments in families.
   - Create family events.
   - Organize and create more spiritual retreats for families.
   - Continue with the FOCA program.
   - Offer psychological support groups for people at risk, marriages in crisis and addictions.
   - Formation of groups in the parish oriented in the family.
   - Presence and support of Hispanic Ministry in parishes and parish communities.
   - Creation of retreats for couples.

5. **Evangelization and Mission**
   - Pastoral integration / Evangelization.
   - Working as a Hispanic community in the construction of the kingdom of God.
   - Approach to the peripheries as missionary disciples.
   - Encourage the sense of welcome within the parishes.
   - Have transportation for the community.
   - Include participation in evangelization and mission to people with special needs.
   - Pastoral interaction of priests in the parish and beyond.
   - Maximize spiritual resources in the community.
   - Evangelization house by house.
   - Creation of evangelization workshops.
   - Evangelization group for inmates and their families.
   - Patron Saint festivities as evangelization channels.

6. **Faith Formation and Catechesis**
   - Sacramental formation in Spanish.
   - Formation of new parish groups.
   - Premarital Encounter.
   - Formation of the *Gema de Dios* group for women.
   - Doctrinal Training.
   - Bible courses.
   - Training workshops for the different groups of the parish.
7. Higher / University Education
   - Scholarships for Catholic schools and higher education.
   - Scholarships for adult education.
   - Support parents with the school system and how they can help their children get into college.
   - Academic tutoring to promote higher education among young people.

8. Leadership Development and Formation
   - Training of youth leaders to serve in the Youth Ministry.
   - Formation for all the servants and liturgical ministers.
   - Efficient media and social networks in Spanish.
   - Efficient communication between the employees of the parish and the community.
   - Identification of potential leaders in our parishes.
   - Spiritual support for new leaders.

9. Liturgy and Spirituality
   - Formation of prayer groups.
   - Spiritual retirement.
   - Creation of prayer activities and community worship. (Pilgrim Virgin, healing, prayer of the rosary, adoration of the Most Holy).
   - Parish community pilgrimage trips to places of prayer and worship.

10. Migrant Ministry and Immigration
    - Cultural openness.
    - Creation of religious and cultural events in Spanish.
    - Promote social justice events related to issues concerning the Hispanic community (Migration, health, jobs, resources, etc.).
    - Masses in Spanish and flexible schedules.
    - English classes in the parishes.
    - Hispanic ministers in the parishes attending to the needs of the community.
    - Encouraging the interaction between Anglos and Hispanics through bilingual events.

7. List some of the best ideas and successful ways the dioceses in the Region gave for promoting and accompanying Hispanic/Latino leaders? What more is needed for a greater number of Hispanic/Latino Catholics to discern ecclesial vocations (priesthood, diaconate, religious life, lay ministry)?

1. Vocations
   - Financial resources.
   - Vocational promotion.
   - Visits to the seminar.
   - Promotion to the permanent Diaconate.
   - Use the CYO to promote vocations.
   - Hispanic and bilingual priests.
   - Vocational retreats.
   - Vocational talks.
   - Involve families in vocational guidance.
   - Pre seminaries.

2. Youth Ministry
   - Youth discipleship.
   - Active youth participation around the community.
   - Hiring of youth ministers.
   - Youth participation in the liturgy.
   - Leadership training.
   - Formation of new youth groups.
   - Creation of youth retreats for kids and teens.

3. Young Adult Ministry
   - Discipleship of young adults.
   - Hire bilingual Hispanic young adult ministers.
   - Leadership training.
   - Withdrawals.

4. Family Ministry
   - Involvement of families in the community.
   - Marriage and family retreats.
   - Comprehensive training for families.

5. Evangelization and Mission
   - Accompaniment in sociocultural and religious events.
   - Involvement of the Pastor (priest) with the community and parish groups.
   - Opening of part of the communities for evangelization.
   - Develop commitment in young adults as missionary disciples (peer evangelizing).
• Go to meet people in the peripheries through effective communications, house-to-house visits and creation of activities in order to carry out the evangelization.  
• Creation of the Ministry of the Sick / prayer line in Spanish.  
• Maintain communication with families and people who were consulted after the V Encuentro.  
• Systematic evangelization for all, represented by members of each parish group and spiritually advised by a priest, religious or deacon.

6. Faith Formation and Catechesis 
• Lifelong education.  
• Withdrawals.  
• Workshops.

7. Higher / University Education  
• The diocese sends undocumented seminarians to study in Spanish-speaking countries.  
• Bilingual speaking committees in Catholic schools to help with integration.  
• Catholic universities are intentional in the formation of Hispanic ecclesial leaders.

8. Leadership Development and Formation 
• Discipleship of young adults.  
• Create communities and accompany leaders.  
• Formation of the lay ministry.  
• Continuing education for the graduates of the pastoral institute.  
• Integral training for the leaders of the different lay groups.  
• Recognize the work that our leaders do within the parish community.  
• Promote the participation of leaders through parish service.  
• Formation of the Hispanic parish committee.  
• Recognize the gifts and talents of members.

9. Liturgy and Spirituality  
• Spiritual retreats for the community.  
• Active participation in the life of the Church.  
• Support of activities in the movements and parish groups.

10. Migrant Ministry and Immigration 
• Participation in movements related to migration and social justice.  
• Events where religious cultural diversity is promoted (Virgin of Guadalupe, Day of the dead, feast days by country of origin).

8. What are some important insights and noteworthy recommendations that emerged from the dioceses throughout the process, especially ideas that have not yet been mentioned?

1. Vocations  
• Courses for parents to understand and support the vocation of their children.  
• Have a Hispanic director for the Family / Life Program.  
• Natural Family Planning Course.  
• Formation of groups for women focused on protection, care and counseling.  
• Marriage counseling and counseling.

2. Youth Ministry  
• Doctrinal training.  
• Parent support to the Youth Ministry.  
• Workshops for children with special needs.

3. Young Adult Ministry  
• Parent support to the Ministry of young adults.

4. Family Ministry  
• Encourage families to register children and young people in Catholic schools.  
• Integral training for married couples.  
• Prioritize the needs of those who live in situations of risk.  
• Creation of sports activities and social events with the purpose of promoting evangelization.  
• Inclusion and hospitality.  
• Pilgrimages as a way to evangelize.  
• Pastoral Guide of the Priest in the parish and peripheries.
• Diocesan support in the mission projects of the parishes.
• Integral participation of priests and religious in the mission of the V Encuentro.
• Promote interparish meetings.

6. Faith Formation and Catechesis
• Provide the necessary resources for training the Hispanic community according to their culture, traditions and language.
• Formation of the Catechumenate for adults.
• Formation of the musical liturgy.

7. Higher / University Education
• Formation in advanced Biblical studies and Apologetics.
• English classes to acquire the GED or HSED.
• The commitment of the Church to the mission of Catholic schools and universities needs to be re-evaluated.
• In those who are in university studies there is a concern of not being able to practice the profession for which they are preparing.
• Many of our young people do not continue their university education.
• Establish strategic alliances with colleges and universities in the area, so that they visit parishes, inform parishioners of opportunities.
• Promote and increase the number of Hispanics / Latinos with access and participation in intermediate and higher education, as well as a greater number of bilingual teachers in these institutions.
• That the Church supports families with resources and roads to education.

8. Leadership Development and Formation
• Formation of Evangelizing Missionaries.
• Prepare leaders to encourage vocations in the parishes.

9. Liturgy and Spirituality
• Bilingual Masses.

10. Migrant Ministry and Immigration
• Opening for dialogue on respect and solidarity with the Hispanic community.
• Psychological-psychotherapist help for the Spanish-speaking community in Spanish.
• Creation of support programs and counseling for addictions, mental health problems in Spanish.
• Provide migratory support through counseling in the parishes.
• Provide training workshops for the development of work skills and implementation of job fairs.
• Preparation of the permanent diaconate regardless of immigration status.
Part IV: **Regional Strategies for the Pastoral Care and Accompaniment of Hispanic/Latino Catholics**

### Ministerial Area #1: Vocations

| Strategy # 1 | Youth events and activities. |
| Strategy # 2 | Create a "vocational day". |
| Strategy # 3 | Promote the worldwide prayer for vocations. |
| Strategy # 4 | Request the support of more Hispanic priests both inside and outside the country. |
| Strategy # 5 | Promote priestly vocations among Hispanic families. |
| Strategy # 6 | Formation of the diaconate in Spanish. |
| Strategy # 7 | Establish the pre-seminars. |
| Strategy # 8 | Establish activities at the regional level. |

### Ministerial Area #2: Youth Ministry

| Strategy # 1 | Diocesan Retreats |
| Strategy # 2 | Implement the program of: Faith and Life " |
| Strategy # 3 | Appoint a Coordinator of the Hispanic Youth Ministry at the diocesan level. |
| Strategy # 4 | Collaboration with English speakers. |
| Strategy # 5 | Diocesan and regional meetings. |
| Strategy # 6 | Youth activities |
| Strategy # 7 | Involve youth in parish life. |
| Strategy # 8 | Organize retreats at the regional level. |
### Ministerial Area #3: Young Adult Ministry

| Strategy # 1: Organize retreats at the diocesan and regional levels. |
| Strategy # 2: Work for your pastoral and spiritual needs |
| Strategy # 3: Diocesan and regional meetings. |
| Strategy # 4: Coordinated work with English speakers. |
| Strategy # 5: Involve young adults in parish life. |
| Strategy # 6: Prepare them to be future evangelizers |
| Strategy # 7: Coordinate with the NETWORK. |
| Strategy # 8: Prepare them professionally in the area of leadership. |

### Ministerial Area #4: Family Ministry

| Strategy # 1: Doctrinal Training - "Domestic Church" |
| Strategy # 2: Family accompaniment. |
| Strategy # 3: Marriage counseling and counseling. |
| Strategy # 4: Marriage retreats. |
| Strategy # 5: Pre-Marriage Retreats |
| Strategy # 6: Assistance to families at risk. |
| Strategy # 7: Accompaniment to couples. |
| Strategy # 8: Promote the Christian Family Movement. |

### Ministerial Area #5: Evangelization and Mission

| Strategy # 1: Announcement of the kerygma. |
Strategy # 2: Visit to families.

Strategy # 3: Post-Sacramental Accompaniment

Strategy # 4: Bible Classes and Church Documents.

Strategy # 5: Bicultural staff in the staff of the parishes.

Strategy # 6: Hispanic bicultural coordinator in the parishes.

Strategy # 7: Events and activities.

Strategy # 8: Bilingual information.

Ministerial Area #6: Faith Formation and Catechesis

Strategy # 1: Needs of Pastoral Institutes face to face.

Strategy # 2: Training of bilingual and bicultural people for catechesis.

Strategy # 3: Adapt catechesis to the Hispanic ethnic group.

Strategy # 4: Faith formation programs for older adults in Spanish.

Strategy # 5: Provide scholarships and financial resources.

Strategy # 6: Basic courses of doctrine.

Strategy # 7: Material in Spanish.

Strategy # 8: Courses of Religious Pedagogy.

Ministerial Area #7: Higher / University Education

Strategy # 1: Regional program in Spanish for permanent deacons.

Strategy # 2: Regional program for baccalaureate in Spanish for the training and formation of lay ministers.

Strategy # 3: Ongoing training.
**Ministerial Area #8: Leadership Development and Formation**

| Strategy # 1: Parent Formation to Leadership (development to the ministry in the domestic church) |
| Strategy # 2: ELM (Ecclesial Lay Ministry) for Hispanics. |
| Strategy # 3: Diaconate in Spanish. |
| Strategy # 4: Training of young adults through institutes such as Faith and Life. |
| Strategy # 5: Share resources in the training area with the offices of Hispanic Ministry in the neighboring dioceses. |
| Strategy # 6: Committee that promotes among the Hispanics the “leadership in the production of their own economic resources”. |
| Strategy # 7: Promote the recognition of the Hispanic ministry, favoring its representation in the parish committees and decision boards. |
| Strategy # 8: Events, talks and conferences for Hispanic leaders at the diocesan and regional level. |

**Ministerial Area #9: Liturgy and Spirituality**

<p>| Strategy # 1: Workshops. |
| Strategy # 2: Encounters. |
| Strategy # 3: Familiarity with the liturgical books |
| Strategy # 4: Ongoing training. |</p>
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Appendix 1: Statistical Summary of the V Encuentro Implementation in the Region

1. Participation of Parishes and Organizations*

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* The numbers in the table represent numbers of parishes or organizations, not individual participants.

2. If any movements or organizations participated, please list them here—even if their members collaborated in their Parish Encuentros instead of doing it on their own.

- Pastoral Juvenil Hispana
- Pilsen Neighbors Community Council
- Unidos en Cristo
- Jornadas
- Caridades de Cristo Resucitado
- Warriors for Peace Youth Group
- Iskali
- Grupos de Oración
- Grupos de oración Carismática
- Grupo Cristo Renueva tu Parroquia
- Grupo de Matrimonios
- Grupo de Hombres
- Grupo de Adoración Nocturna
- Grupo de Adoración Perpetua
- Movimiento de Cursillos de Cristiandad
- Legión de María
- Movimiento Familiar Cristiano
- Divina Misericordia
- Caballeros de Colón
- Camino Neocatecumenal de la Virgen Peregrina
- Misioneros Guadalupanos
- Equipo de Guadalupe de Sauk City
- Sembrando la Fe (hombres)
- Catequesis
- Educación Religiosa
- Preparación Bautismal
- Emaús
- Acts

3. Briefly describe the participants of the five sessions and consultation process.

A. Overall no. of participants: 3,271
B. No. of youth or young adults: 380
C. Ethnicities: Hispanic/Latino: 2,895 Black/Afr: 0 White/Eur: 5
   Native American: 0 Asian: 0 Other: 2
D. Language Preference: English: 44 Spanish: 2,855
   Both: 337 Other: 1
E. Dioceses that did not provide this information:

4. Briefly describe the Hispanics/Latinos encountered in the peripheries.
   A. Who they are:
      How many people were reached overall in the three missionary actions? 473
      Young adults: 78  Adults: 395  Families: 74
   B. Locations: (Do not list all—just organize them into categories, and identify the most common.)
      o  Parishes
      o  Homes
   C. Gender:  How many men? 148  How many women? 325
   D. Language Pref.:  English: 5  Spanish: 432
      Both: 12  Other: 1
   E. Religious identity:  Catholic: 437  Non-Catholic: 36
   F. Countries of origin: (List the top 5, and give an estimate of the percentage for each. It does not have to add up to 100%.)
      1. Mexico  85%
      2. Puerto Rico  3%
      3. USA  2%
      4. Venezuela  12%
      5. Peru  1%
   G. Dioceses that did not provide this information:
Belleville, Chicago, Joliet, Peoria, Springfield, Evansville, Gary, Indianapolis, La Crosse and Superior.

5. How welcome do Hispanics/Latinos on the periphery feel by the Catholic Church?
   Very welcome: 20%  Welcome: 44%
   Somewhat: 26%  Not welcome: 12%

6. Parish or Organizational Encuentro participants:
   Total male participants: 756  Average % over age 30: 79%
   Total female participants: 1,202  Average % ages 18-29: 15%
   Participated in 5 sessions: 1,674  Average % under 18: 7%
   Part. in some sessions: 261  Average % from movements: 49%
   Invited guests: 117
Number of parishes that did not report Parish Encuentro registration data: 11
Number of parishes that did not provide estimates by age or movements: 8
Dioceses that did not provide this information:
Belleville, Chicago, Joliet, Peoria, Springfield, Evansville, Gary, Indianapolis, La Crosse and Superior.

7. Diocesan Encuentro participants:

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Total</th>
<th>Average %</th>
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<td>Male participants</td>
<td>108</td>
<td>% over age 30: 79%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Female participants</td>
<td>217</td>
<td>% ages 18-29: 12%</td>
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<td>Total participation</td>
<td>325</td>
<td>% under 18: 9%</td>
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<td>% from movements: 60%</td>
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Dioceses that did not provide this information:
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8. How many potential new leaders have emerged in your (Arch)Diocese, ready to serve the Hispanic/Latino community and our diverse local communities and ministries?

153

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Appendix 2: Key Demographic, Social, and Religious Statistics for the Dioceses of Region 7

Total Population and Catholic Population in Region 7, by Race/Ethnicity

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<tr>
<th>Racial/Ethnic Groups in the Dioceses of Region 7</th>
<th>Total Population in 2000</th>
<th>Total Population in 2016</th>
<th>% Change</th>
<th>Estimated Catholics in 2016</th>
<th>% Catholic</th>
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<td>White</td>
<td>18,325,143</td>
<td>17,883,073</td>
<td>-2%</td>
<td>4,474,000</td>
<td>25.0%</td>
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<td>Hispanic</td>
<td>1,937,719</td>
<td>3,014,347</td>
<td>56%</td>
<td>1,641,000</td>
<td>54.4%</td>
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<td>Black</td>
<td>2,691,369</td>
<td>3,000,330</td>
<td>11%</td>
<td>147,000</td>
<td>4.9%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Asian/Other</td>
<td>909,222</td>
<td>1,315,551</td>
<td>45%</td>
<td>164,000</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>23,863,453</strong></td>
<td><strong>25,213,301</strong></td>
<td><strong>6%</strong></td>
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Hispanic/Latino Population in Region 7, by Diocese

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<th>(Arch)Diocese</th>
<th>Hispanic/Latino Population in 2000</th>
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<td>Belleville</td>
<td>13,135</td>
<td>23,272</td>
<td>77%</td>
<td>12,500</td>
<td>54%</td>
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<td>Chicago</td>
<td>1,164,456</td>
<td>1,469,401</td>
<td>26%</td>
<td>822,000</td>
<td>56%</td>
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<td>Evansville</td>
<td>5,277</td>
<td>13,328</td>
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<td>Fort Wayne-South Bend</td>
<td>57,443</td>
<td>106,204</td>
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## Hispanic/Latino Population in 2000 and 2016

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<td>Gary</td>
<td>70,123</td>
<td>115,794</td>
<td>65%</td>
<td>62,000</td>
<td>53%</td>
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<td>Green Bay</td>
<td>20,126</td>
<td>49,476</td>
<td>146%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Indianapolis</td>
<td>51,911</td>
<td>147,823</td>
<td>185%</td>
<td>76,000</td>
<td>52%</td>
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<td>Joliet</td>
<td>137,124</td>
<td>291,009</td>
<td>112%</td>
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<td>53%</td>
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<tr>
<td>La Crosse</td>
<td>8,397</td>
<td>26,309</td>
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<td>Lafayette, IN</td>
<td>29,782</td>
<td>65,014</td>
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<td>Madison</td>
<td>26,724</td>
<td>60,077</td>
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<td>Milwaukee</td>
<td>134,358</td>
<td>244,291</td>
<td>82%</td>
<td>130,000</td>
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<td>Peoria</td>
<td>44,837</td>
<td>82,561</td>
<td>84%</td>
<td>43,000</td>
<td>53%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rockford</td>
<td>156,770</td>
<td>283,817</td>
<td>81%</td>
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<td>55%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Springfield, IL</td>
<td>13,940</td>
<td>28,069</td>
<td>101%</td>
<td>14,500</td>
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<td>Superior</td>
<td>3,316</td>
<td>7,902</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,937,719</strong></td>
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**Note:** Numbers highlighted below in **yellow** are estimates. Data that were not provided are highlighted in **blue**.

## Hispanic Ministry in the Parishes and Catholic Schools of Region 7, by Diocese

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<th>(Arch)Diocese</th>
<th># of Parishes with Hispanic/Latino Ministry</th>
<th># of Weekly Masses in Spanish</th>
<th># of Monthly Masses in Spanish</th>
<th>Total Attendance</th>
<th># of Latino/a Students (K-8)</th>
<th># of Latino/a Students (high school)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Belleville</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>930</td>
<td><strong>80/3,977</strong></td>
<td><strong>25/1,032</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Chicago</td>
<td>125</td>
<td>285</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>113,430</td>
<td>13,798/55,342</td>
<td>4,354/21,133</td>
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<td>Evansville</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>722</td>
<td>236/5,814</td>
<td>44/1,546</td>
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<td>14</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>7,390</td>
<td>1,946/9,572</td>
<td>515/3,280</td>
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<td>Gary</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>7,249</td>
<td>1,720/4,721</td>
<td>333/1,351</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3,629</td>
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<td>19</td>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>39</td>
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<td>1,660/14,407</td>
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<td>La Crosse</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>1,355</td>
<td>40/7,138</td>
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<td>16</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>30</td>
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<td><strong>333</strong></td>
<td><strong>625</strong></td>
<td><strong>18</strong></td>
<td><strong>232,995</strong></td>
<td><strong>30,828/182,147</strong></td>
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### Number of Hispanic/Latino Ecclesial Ministers in the Dioceses of Region 7

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<th>(Arch)Diocese</th>
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<th>Religious (men and women)</th>
<th>Deacons</th>
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<td></td>
<td>Active</td>
<td>Retired</td>
<td>Foreign-born</td>
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<td>??</td>
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<td>121</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>102</td>
<td>67</td>
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<td>Fort Wayne-South Bend</td>
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Hispanic/Latino Household Language in 2016

Hispanics/Latinos Who Do Not Speak English "Very Well" in 2016, by Age

Household Income as a Percentage of Poverty Level in 2016

Median Hispanic Household Income: $57,500
Median White Household Income: $75,000

Hispanic Family Size in 2016

Average Family Size: 4.3

White, Non-Hispanic Family Size

Average Family Size: 3.4
Citizenship of Hispanic Residents in 2016

- Born in U.S.A.
- Born in U.S. Territory
- Naturalized Citizen
- Not a Citizen

Decade of Entry for Hispanic Children

- Born in U.S.A.
- 2010s
- 2000s

National Heritage of Hispanic Residents in 2016

- Mexican
- Puerto Rican
- Guatemalan
- Cuban
- Colombian
- Salvadoran
- Honduran
- Spaniard
- Other Central Am.
- Other South Am.
- All Others

Decade of Entry for Hispanic Adults

- Born in U.S.A.
- 2010s
- 2000s
- 1990s
- 1980s
- Before 1980

Hispanic Marital Status by Age in 2016

- Married
- Widowed
- Divorced
- Separated
- Never Married

Household Type, 2012 to 2015

- Single, no children
- Partner, no children
- Married, no children
- Married, with children
- Partner, with children
- Single, with children
- Multigenerational

Marital and Parental Status of Women by Age Group from 2012 to 2015

- Unmarried without children
- Married without children
- Married with children
- Unmarried with children

Hispanic White

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