

WEBINAR

Life After Your Diocesan Newspaper:

Case Studies and Innovative Ideas

May 2

11:00 am CT

Why are you here?



1. You're a leader in your diocese

 You're wondering about the future for your diocesan newspaper (and diocesan communications in general)

3. You'd like some fresh ideas that work

Today's Presenters



Nic Prenger Founder and CEO

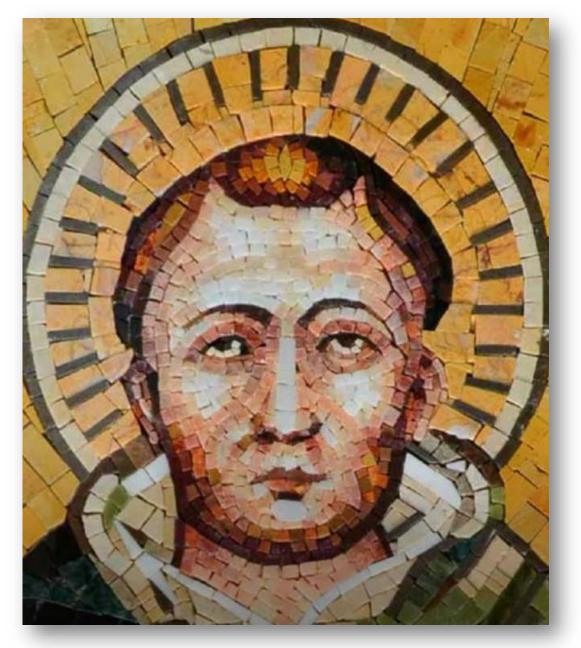


John Rogers
Vice President of Parish Services



Mitch Fisher
Director of Customer Experience





Mosaic of St. Thomas Aquinas

The Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas

Grant, O merciful God, that we may ardently desire, prudently examine, truthfully acknowledge, and perfectly accomplish what is pleasing to you for the praise and glory of your name.

Amen!



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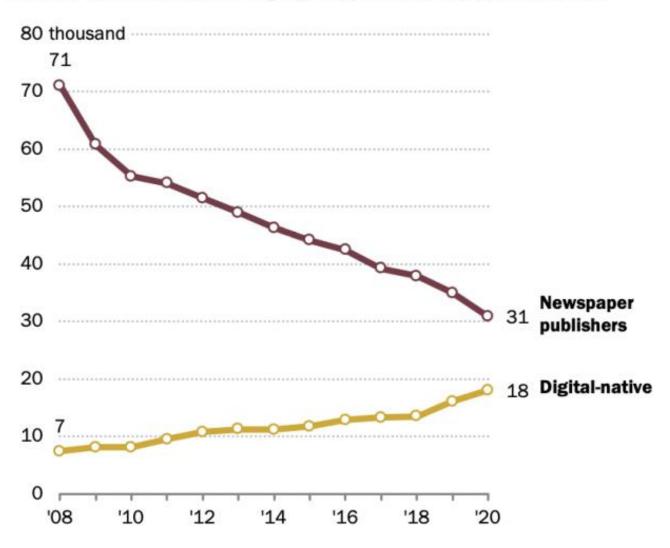


Where things stand

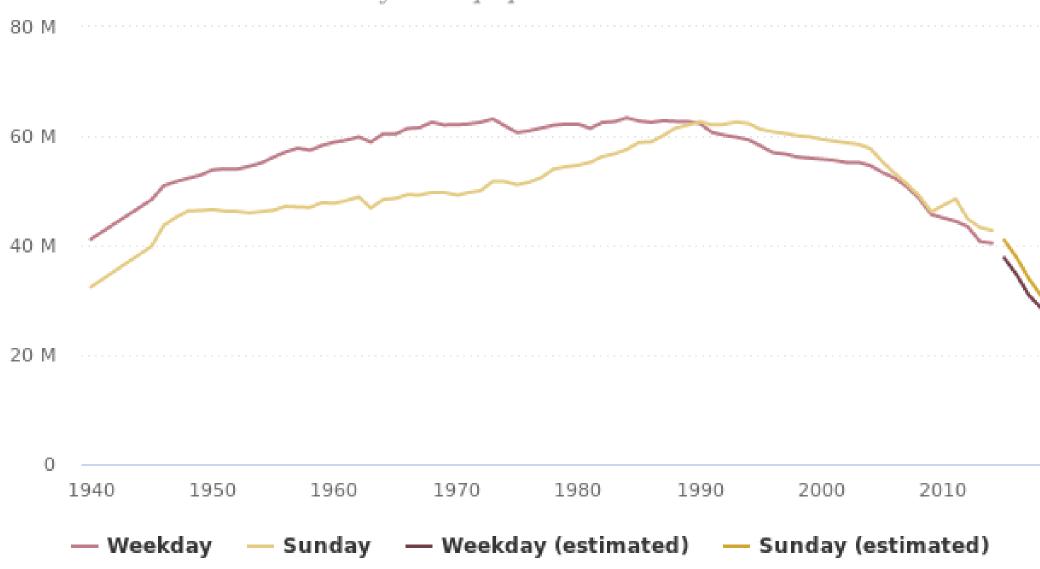


Newsroom employment at U.S. newspapers has plummeted since 2008 but grown at digital publishers

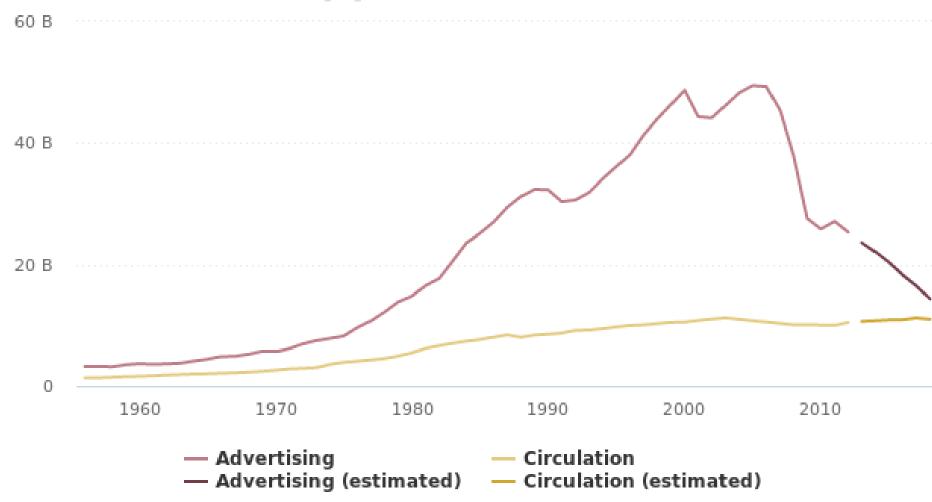
Number of U.S. newsroom employees by news industry, in thousands







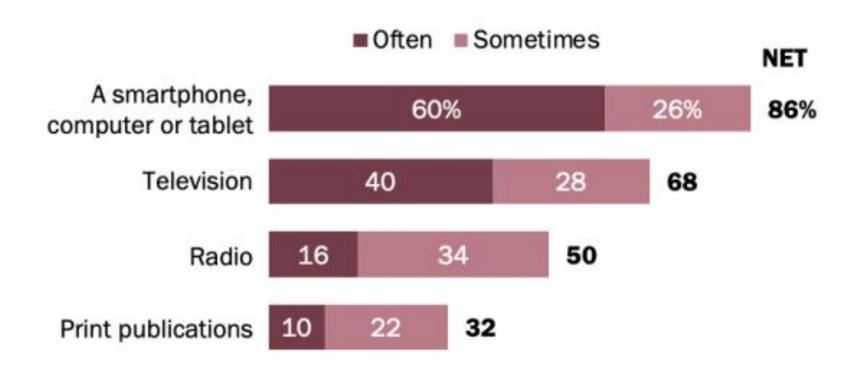
Total revenue of U.S. newspapers (in U.S. dollars)



Source: News Media Alliance, formerly Newspaper Association of America (through 2012); Pew Research Center analysis of year-end SEC filings of publicly traded newspaper companies (2013-2018).

Large majority of Americans get news on digital devices

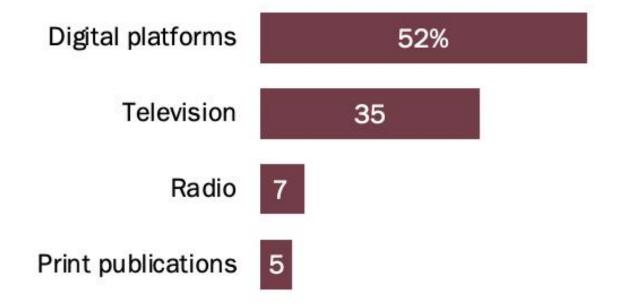
% of U.S. adults who get news ____ from ...



Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted Aug. 31-Sept. 7, 2020.

Roughly half of Americans prefer to get news on a digital platform; about a third prefer TV

% of U.S. adults who prefer ____ for getting news



Note: Digital platforms includes respondents who said they prefer news websites or apps, social media, search, or podcasts. Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted Aug. 31-Sept. 7, 2020.

Oregon's Catholic Sentinel and El Centinela newspapers to shut down Oct. 1





This illustrations shows the front pages of the Catholic Sentinel and El Centinela newspapers of the Archdiocese of Portland, Ore. A news released issued July 21, 2022, jointly by the Archdiocese of Portland and Oregon Catholic Press, the newspapers will close Oct. 1. (CNS illustration/courtesy Oregon Catholic Press)

Phoenix Diocese cuts jobs, ends newspaper, citing revenue shortfall

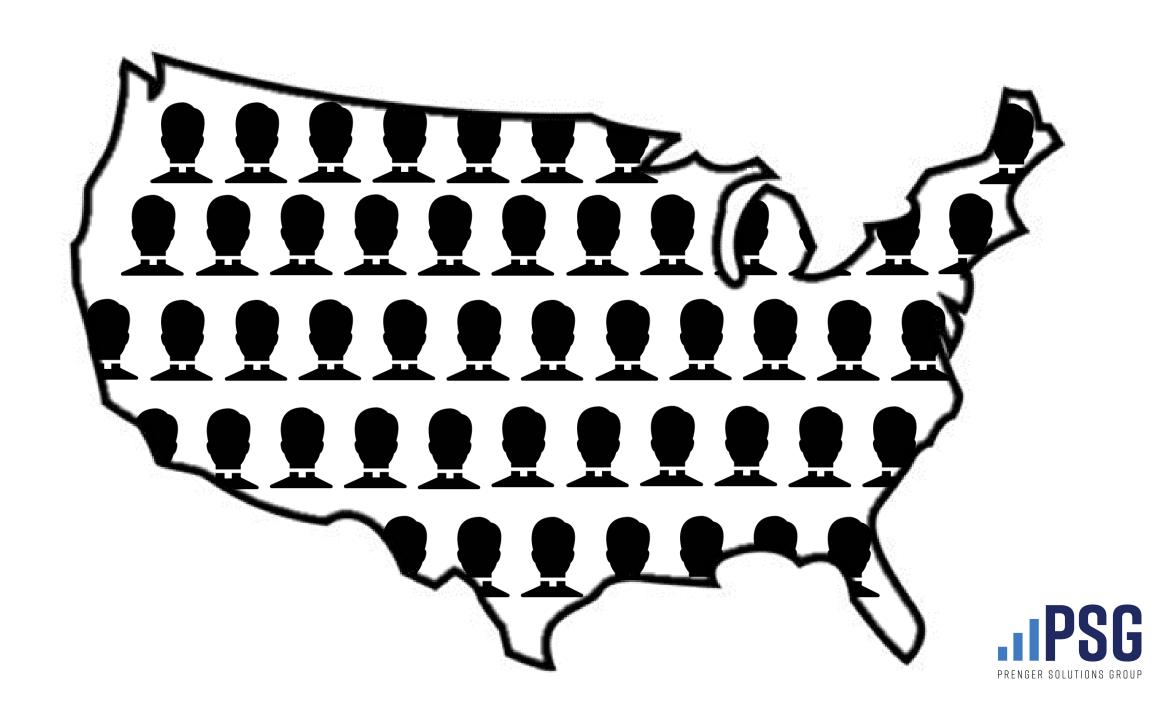


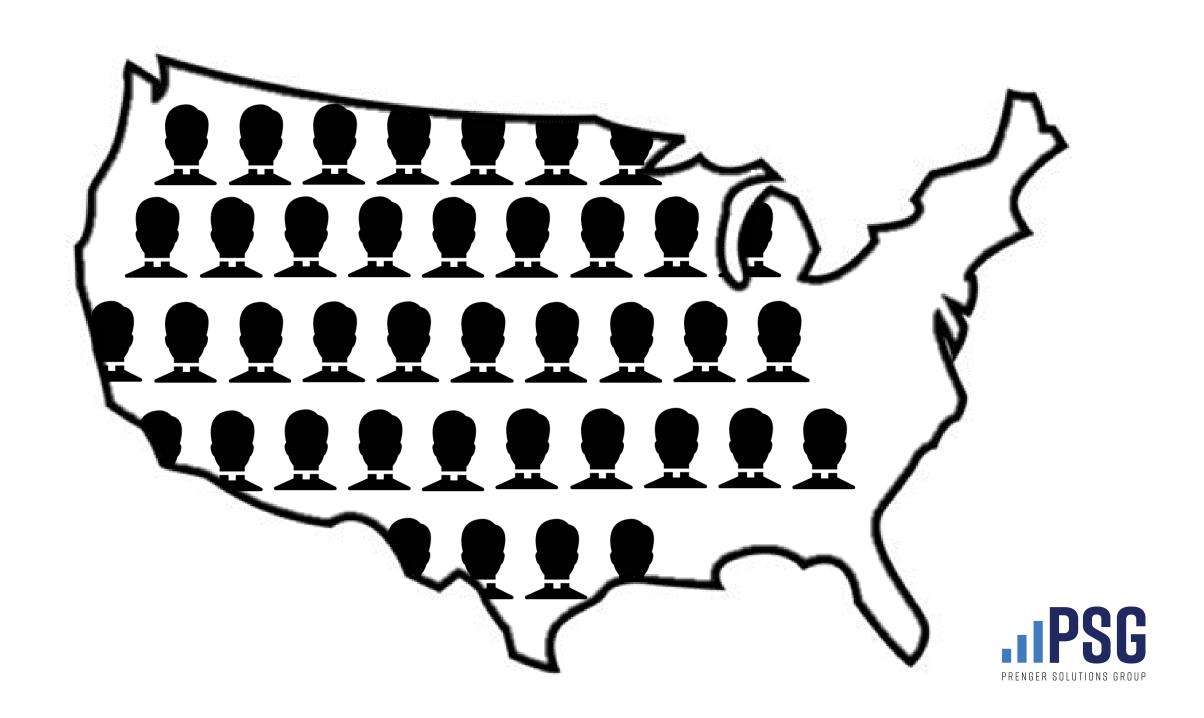
Newspapers are seen in this illustration photo. The Phoenix Diocese is cutting its diocesan newspaper due to revenue shortfall resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. (CNS photo/Tyler Orsburn) See PHOENIX-CUTS May 4, 2020.

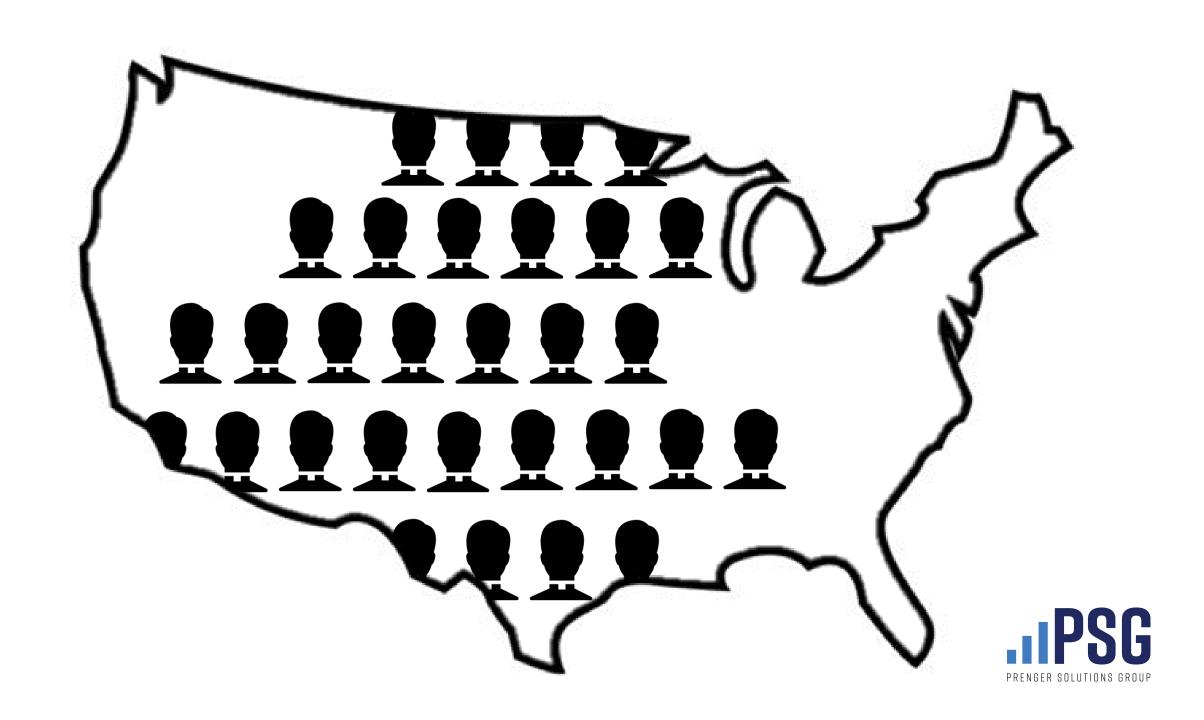
Catholic New York archdiocesan newspaper to publish last issue Nov. 17

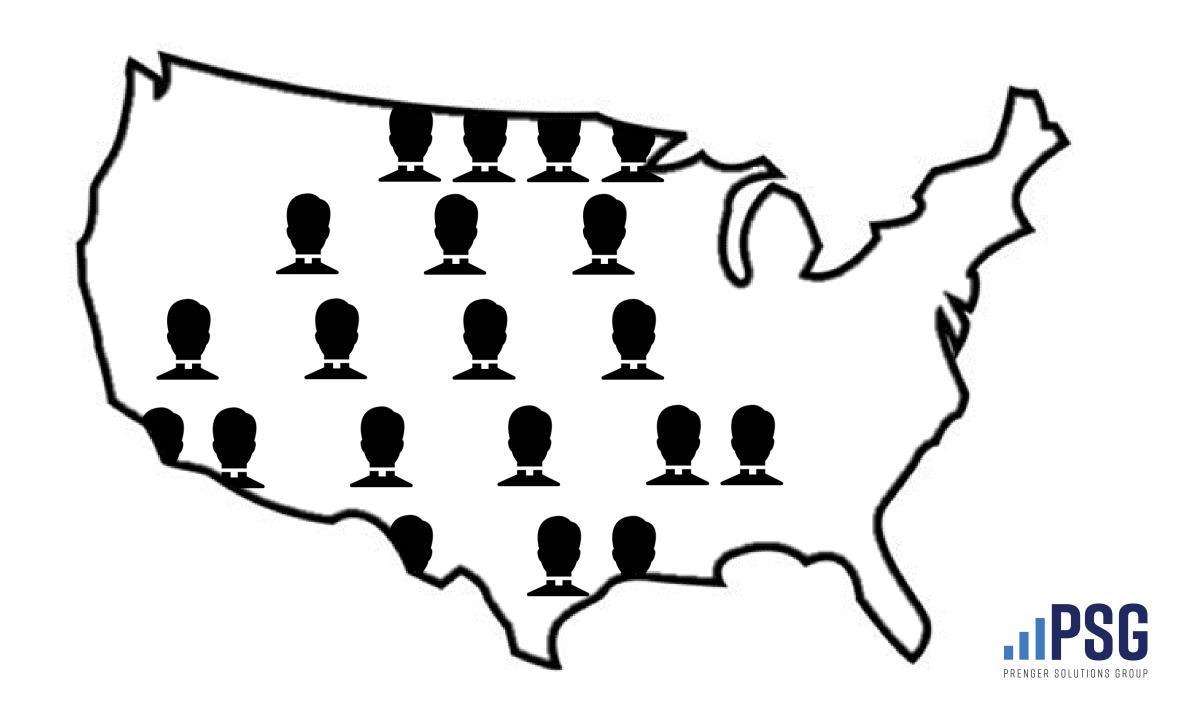


This is the front page of an issue of Catholic New York, newspaper of the Archdiocese of New York. The publication announced late May 19, 2022, it will publish its last issue Nov. 17. (CNS photo/Tyler Orsburn)









571

The number of parishes in the United States without a resident priest pastor in 1970.

3,544
The number of parishes in the

without a resident priest pastor in 2020.

United States





Archdiocese of Detroit reorganization groups Lapeer County parishes into

DECEMBER 12, 2020

BY JEFF HOGAN 810-452-2640 • JHOGAN@MIHOMEPAPER.COM





Fr. Mark Prill, pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Erie, smiles during a Mass in October 2019. Pastors of each parish were involved in the formulation of the "families of parishes" groupings, along with vicars and regional bishops. Photo by James Silvestri/Detroit Catholic

LAPEER COUNTY - Facing a shortage of p revenue, the Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit or announced a reorganization plan that will creat "families of parishes," grouping three to six chu will share priests and resources.

The plan - to be implemented over two years in 2022) — is different from previous restructurings included mergers, closing of parishes and clusteri priest would oversee more than one parish.

Catholics in southeastern Michigan — including Lapeer County and the southern Thumb 216 parishes, down from 267 parishes in 2012 and 304 in 2005. The Archdiocese plan wi

The first wave will impact northern Lapeer County Catholic parishioners. It is set to be operational by July 1, 2021. Thumb Vicariate Family 3 will include: • SS. Peter and Paul Parish, North Branch

BREAKING NEWS

More Catholic parishes forced to merge by Chicago Archdiocese, with further consolidation announcements expected this week

By Charles J. Johnson Chicago Tribune • Mar 10, 2021 at 5:08 pm

























A major shift in the role of the diocese



A centralization and professionalization of services from the diocese to parishes



Wave 2

Wave 3







Accounting, HR & Finance

Fundraising

Communications

Wave 2



Helped with back office and operational stuff

Accounting, HR & Finance

Fundraising

Wave 2

Wave 3







Accounting, HR & Finance

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Communications

Helping parishes to evangelize and grow



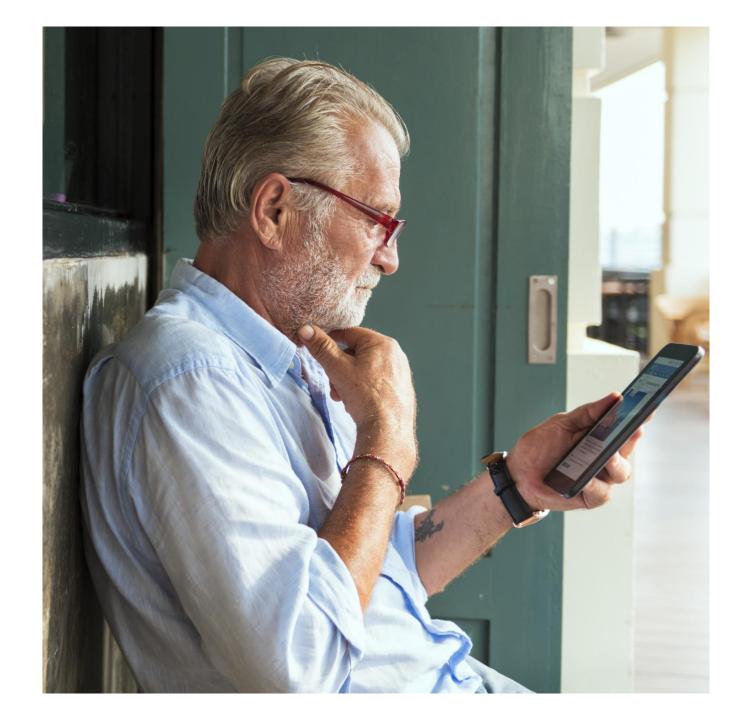
Communications

This is an incredible opportunity for dioceses *and* parishes



82% of Americans age 12+ are on social media





U.S. adults spend 2+ hours every day on social media Parishes that post daily on Facebook report higher giving and increased engagement

44% higher giving per household.

PARISHES THAT
POST DAILY

PARISHES THAT DON'T POST DAILY





CATHOLIC SOCIAL MEDIA BY PRENGER SOLUTIONS GROUP

Daily social media content
Tied to the liturgical calendar
Fun, engaging and inspiring
Pastors love it
Parish staff love it
Parishioners love it



Connect parishioners to their faith

Share Catholic news

Celebrate vocations and priests

Stories from fellow Catholics

Hear directly from the Bishop

Teach about our Catholic faith

Learn about upcoming events

See photos of people you know









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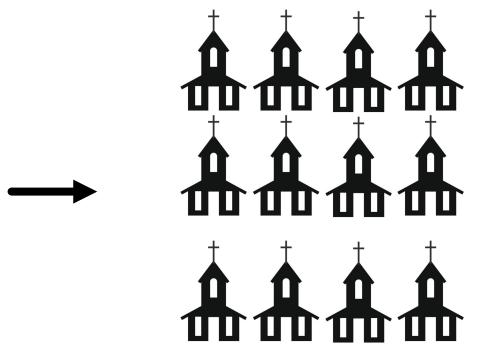
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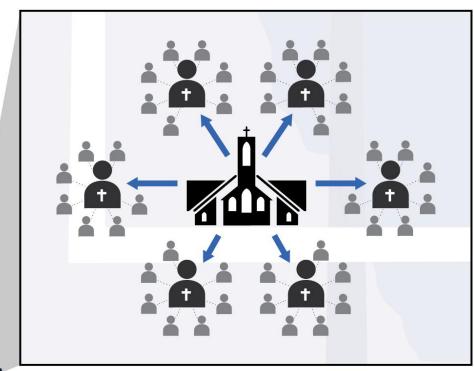


Who then publish to their **parish** social media channels







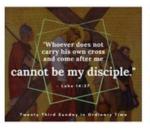




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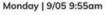






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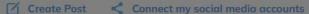






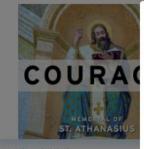








For Next Week (May 2 - May 8)



Monday, May 2

Monthly Co



Thursday, April 21 - Saturday

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Text

This month, Pope Francis is canonizing several new saints. A Dutch Carmelite, Father Titus was not only a professor of philosophy and spiritual theology but also a spiritual advisor to Dutch journalists. In 1942, he was arrested by the Nazis and found in possession of a letter from the Dutch bishops to Catholic journalists, urging them not to publish Nazi propaganda. He was murdered in the Dachau concentration camp.

419 Characters.

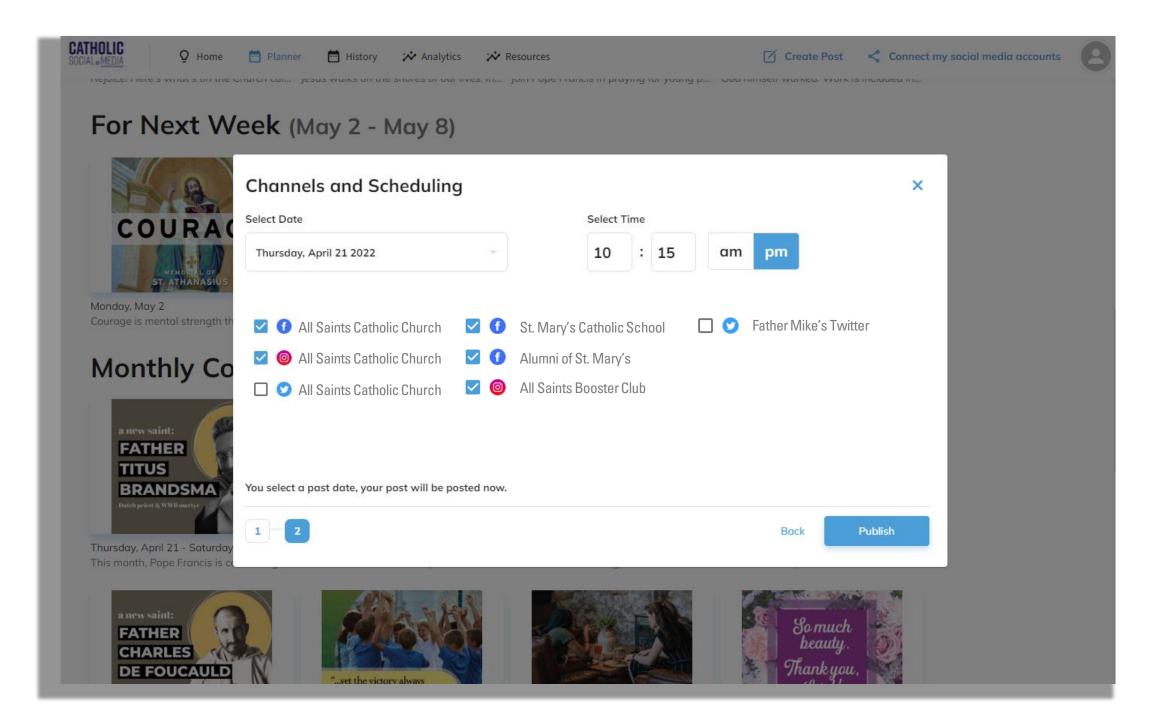
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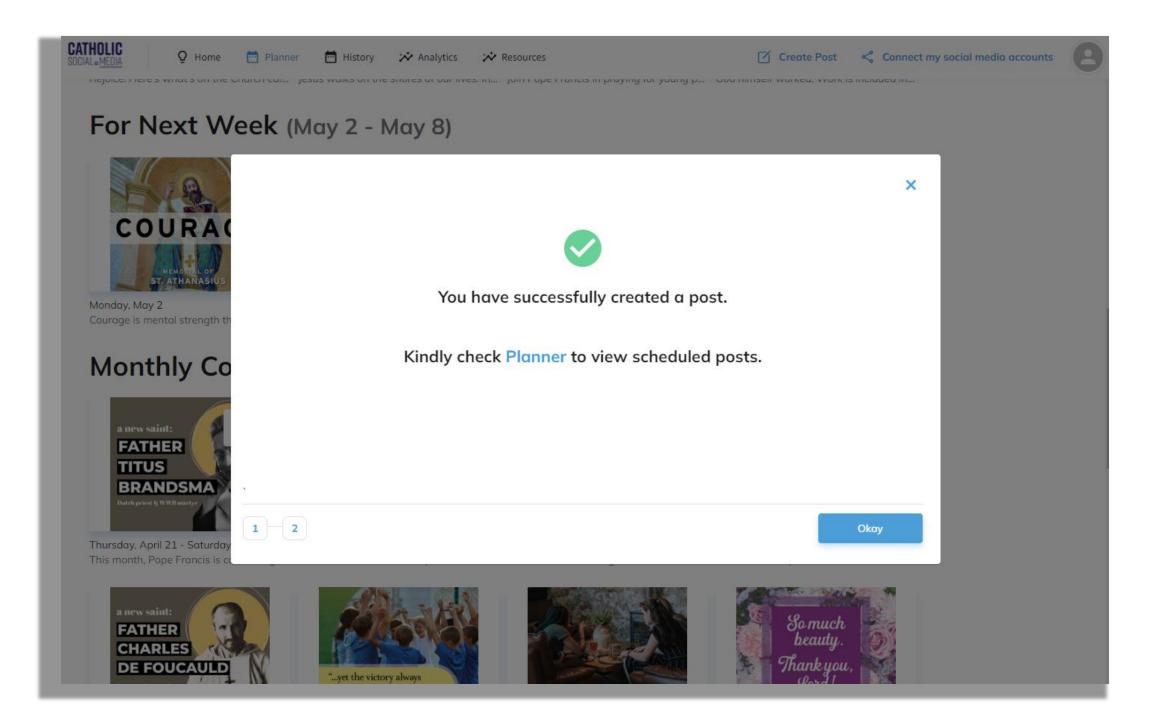


















April 19 - May 7

Week (7)

Month (1)

Season (1)

Forever (2)



What has helped you open your mind and heart to the Scriptures? How can you let the Lord open your heart this...



Ever hear of St. Columbkille? Don't worry, you're not alone. Fr. Richard Fitzgerald, pastor of St. Columbkille...



Liz Cotrupi shares how encountering Jesus in the Eucharist transformed her perception of who God is and who sh...



In this time of divisiveness, how can we welcome others into the sheepfold and introduce them to the Good...

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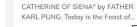
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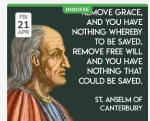
WATCH: ASK A SEMINARIAN | JAMES BONAR: "In your life, who is the priest who has made the biggest impressio...



READ: WHY I'M INSPIRED BY SAINT GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA by JENNY INGLES: Today is the Feast of Saint...



READ: "WHY I LOVE SAINT



St. Anselm. pray for us! #bostoncatholic

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St. Catherine, pray for us! #bostoncatholic





St. Joseph, pray for us in all our work. #bostoncatholic





Welcome to May, the month of Mary. Ave Maria! The bishops of the United States unanimously chose the Blesse...



Today is the Feast of Joseph the Worker. Happy feast day! This feast day was instituted by Venerable Pop...



Today is the Feast of Saint Athanasius (295-373), Bishop of Alexandria and a great defender of the orthodox...

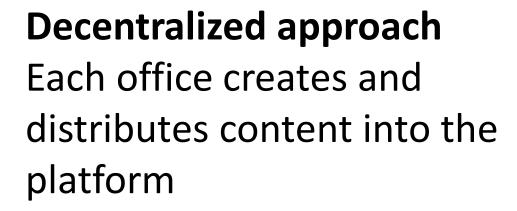


Today is the National Day of Prayer. This annual observance, held on the first Thursday of May, invites people t...











Centralized approach
Everything runs through the communications office



"Ask a Seminarian" Weekly Series

View Post



○ Vocations

Distributed

One Day - From Thursday, April 6 2023

2 No groups selected

Subscriptions: Diocese

Caption

WATCH: ASK A SEMINARIAN | JOSHUA LUTTIG: "What advice would you give to any young man considering the priesthood?" Watch as Diocese of Lansing seminarian Joshua Luttig answers that very question in this short film.

Josh Luttig hails from the parish of Holy Trinity in Fowler. He is currently a student at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit. Please keep Josh in your prayers in the months and years to come. Saint Charles Borromeo, patron of seminarians, pray for him.

• Do you also feel that Almighty God may be to the Sacred Priesthood? Contact Father John Whitlock, Director of Seminarians for the Diocese of Lansing on 517-342-2507 or at jwhitlock@dioceseoflansing.org

Editor's Notes

No editor's notes



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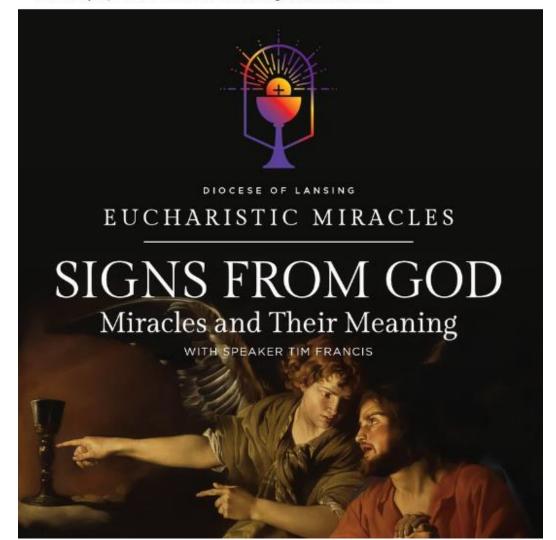


Diocesan-wide events



EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK: AN EVENING OF EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES w/ TIM FRANCIS: Renowned Catholic speaker, Tim Francis, will be visiting the Diocese of Lansing this week with his powerful presentation exploring the meaning of Eucharistic miracles throughout history. Starting tonight:

- · Monday, April 17: Lansing Catholic High School, Lansing;
- •TUESDAY, April 18: ST. JOSEPH CHURCH, HOWELL. Holy Mass, 6pm. Presentation, 6.45pm;
- Wednesday, April 19: Lumen Christi Catholic High Schoo... See more





When you think of St. Paul, do you ever think about his heart? Sister Carly Paula of the Daughters of St. Paul provides a fresh look on a saint we've all heard of before. Watch now at www.youtube.com/EvangelizeBoston. #walkingwiththesaints #bostoncatholic

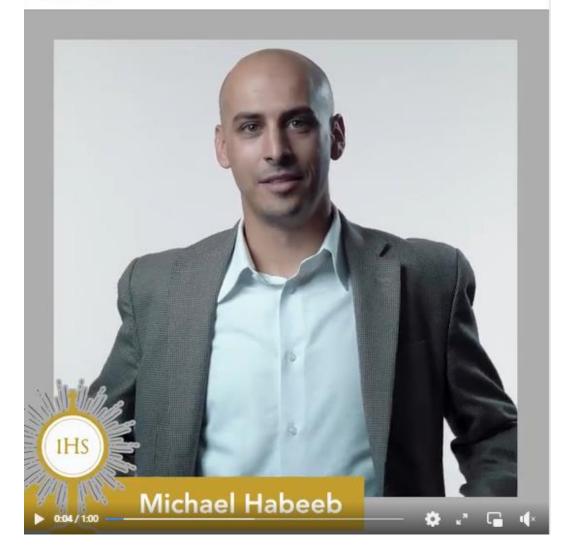




Vocations & YouTube



Mike Habeeb shares the story of the moment he realized how important the Eucharist was to him. When did you realize the Eucharist's importance in your life? #eucharist #bostoncatholic #truepresence





1-minute testimonials





Eucharistic revival

What did we learn?



Key lesson #1

Parishes like this A LOT





Large parishes with a lot going on and a hungry audience



Clustered parishes with multiple sites, social channels



Small and medium parishes with limited resources



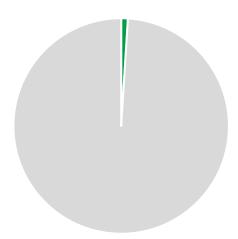
Parishes with schools and/or large apostolates

Key lesson #2

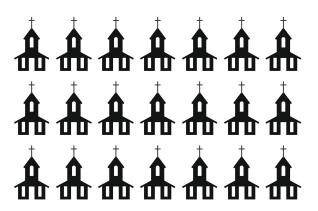
Dioceses can reach A LOT more people this way

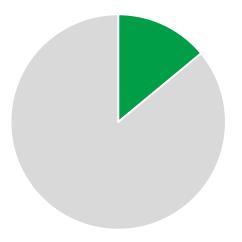






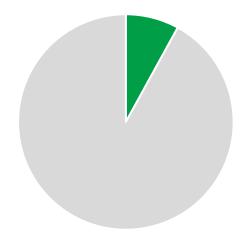
1% following diocese on Facebook



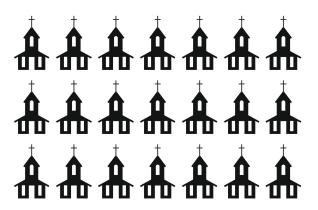


14% following their parish on Facebook





8% following diocese on Facebook





56% following their parish on Facebook





2,657,957

361,855

estimated monthly reach on social media through the parishes

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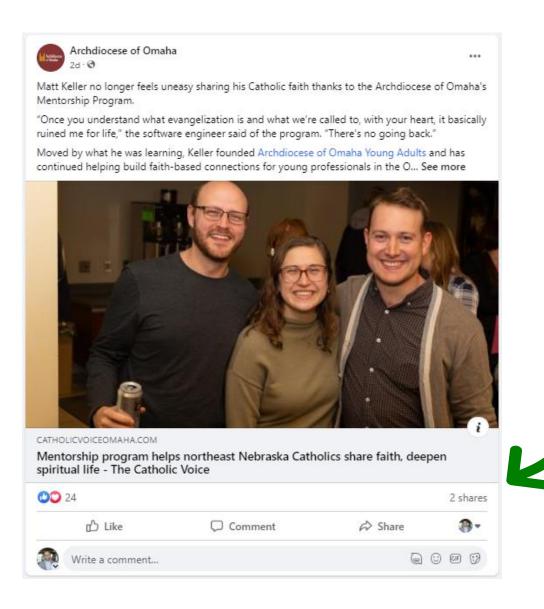


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Key lesson #3

The *method* of sharing is really important









2.3 parish "shares" per post, on average



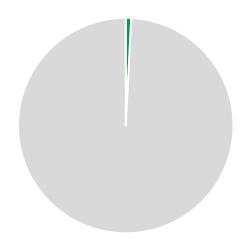


1.8 parish "shares" per post, on average

out of 284 parishes

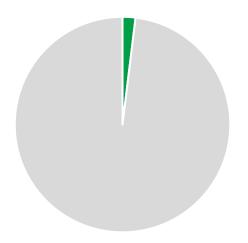
out of 93 parishes





0.8% of parishes share diocesan content



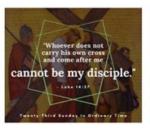


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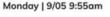
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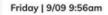




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Who are the Knights of St. Peter Claver?





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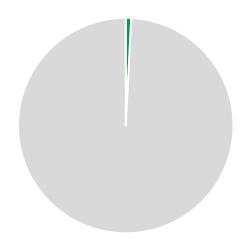






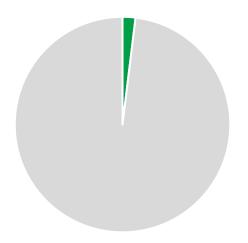






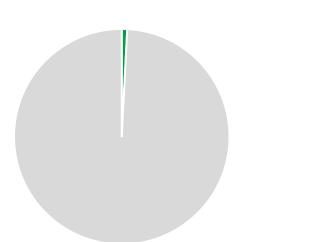
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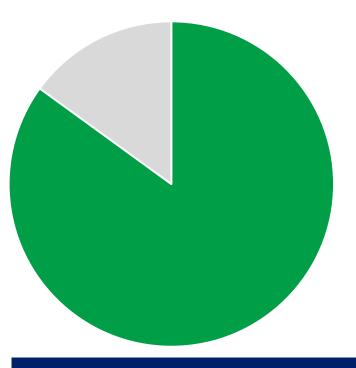


1.9% of parishes share diocesan content





0.8% of parishes (old way)



> 85% of parishes are using the diocesan content





Key lesson #4

This is a dream come through for just about every diocesan office



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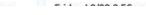
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A spotlight series on vocations







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Legislative updates





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Video messages from the Bishop





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Activity calendar

- Catholic YA groups
- Speaker series
- Theology on tap
- Concert series
- Parish festivals
- Prayer services
- Catholic Schools Week





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Annual appeal content

- Donor spotlights
- Impact stories
- Testimonials
- Beneficiary stories
- Commitment weekend reminder
- Thank-you videos





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Your diocesan

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Capital campaign content

- Create 12 weeks of amazing content
- Automatically distribute to parishes in the active wave
- Everything goes out, right on time



Resources galore!

- Scholarship applications
- Vocation discernment retreats
- March for life trip sign-ups
- Retreat information
- Safe environment training
- Catholic Schools Week materials
- Bible studies
- Pilgrimage sign-ups
- Totus Tuus registrations
- End-of-year giving materials





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Key lesson #5

The communications office loves the instant feedback





In tomorrow's first reading, we will hear of seven men "filled with the Spirit and wisdom," called to be the...

201

Total Posts On All Platforms

130 Scheduled Posts Through
Ayrshare For Facebook

56 Scheduled Posts Through Ayrshare For Instagram



Scheduled Posts Through Ayrshare For Twitter





The Gospel of John contains many moments where Jesus identifies himself as the Son of God, the one...



198

Total Posts On All Platforms

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55 Scheduled Posts Through Ayrshare For Instagram



14 Scheduled Posts Through Ayrshare For Twitter



What comes next?







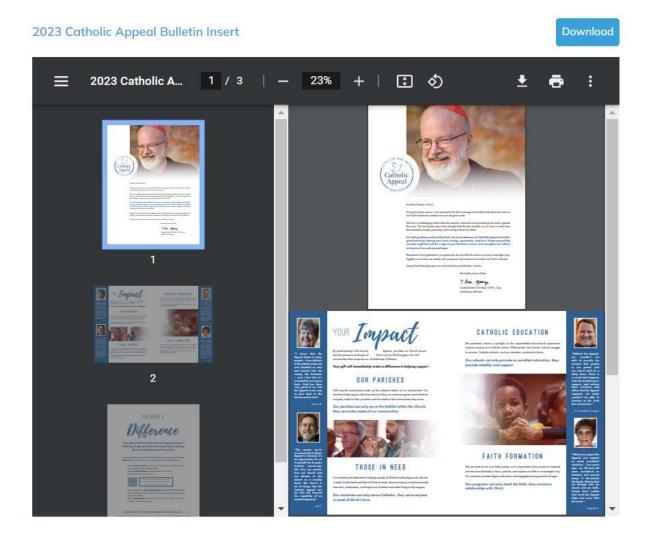


Diocesan offices and ministries





Sharing resources with parishes



- Share materials, track usage
- Parishes can preview and download docs in one spot
- Create parish distribution groups
- Replace "clergy notes"

Join the waitlist / Reserve your spot

Currently using the platform

Boston Archdiocese

Lansing Diocese

Harrisburg Diocese

Up next / holding spots for

Des Moines Diocese

Portland Diocese

Wichita Diocese

Orange Diocese



Nic@PrengerSolutions.com



Attend a Live Demo

See how the platform would work for your diocese and parishes

Next Friday May 12 at 11:00 a.m. CT





Questions & Answers

