



Diocese of Austin Fact Sheet

The **Diocese of Austin** was founded in November 1947 as the seventh diocese in Texas by Pope Pius XII.

Bishops of Austin: Bishop Louis J. Reicher, 1947-1971 †
Bishop Vincent M. Harris, 1971-1986 †
Bishop John E. McCarthy, 1986-2001
Bishop Gregory M. Aymond, 2001-2009
Bishop Joe S. Vásquez, 2010-
Auxiliary Bishop Daniel E. Garcia, 2015-

Counties: 25

Square Miles: 21,066.3

Total Catholic population: 585,078

Total population: 3,167,722

Parishes and Missions: 123

University Catholic Student Centers: 6

Priests: 222

Diocesan priests: 110+32 retired

Religious: 51+3 retired

Other: 23+3 retired

Ordinations: Diocesan priests 6, Transitional deacons 5, Permanent deacons 17

Permanent deacons: 165+65 retired=230

Brothers: 42

Sisters: 90

Catholic hospitals: 5

Seminarians: 42

Catholic Schools: High schools 6, Students 1,194; Elementary schools: 16, Students 3,934

Total students: 5,128

Religious education: High school students 10,853; Elementary students 27,286

Total students: 38,139

Other: Baptisms (infant to 7) 6,912; First Communions 7,925; Confirmations 6,143;
Marriages: 1,401; Deaths 1,951