



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: 598,292

Total population: 3,239,259

Parishes and Missions: 123

University Catholic Student Centers: 6

Priests: 223

Diocesan priests: 114+38 retired

Religious: 46+1 retired

Other: 20+4 retired

Ordinations: Diocesan priests 5, Transitional deacons 3, Permanent deacons 0

Permanent deacons: 168+67 retired=235

Brothers: 37

Sisters: 78

Catholic hospitals: 5

Seminarians: 34

Catholic Schools: High schools 6, Students 1,483; Elementary schools: 16, Students 4,083

Total students: 5,566

Religious education: High school students 9,580; Elementary students 27,866

Total students: 37,446

Other: Baptisms (infant to 7) 6,369; First Communions 7,317; Confirmations 5,668;
Marriages: 1,419; Deaths 1,870