



THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND FACTSHEET

SIZE: 23rd Largest Diocese in the United States.

FOUNDED: April 23, 1847

AREA: Eight (8) Counties including Cuyahoga (Cleveland), Summit (Akron), Lorain (Lorain-Elyria), Lake (Painesville), Geauga (Chardon), Medina (Medina), Wayne (Wooster) and Ashland (Ashland)...3,414 square Miles.

POPULATION: 710,351 Catholics or 27% of total 8 county population.

PARISHES: 174.

CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS: 260 active Diocesan priests.....93 retired priests....
32 Extern and Special Assignment priests...99 religious order Priests. 57 Brothers...
1,035 Women Religious...215 Permanent Deacons...263 Certified Pastoral Ministers.

EL SALVADOR MISSION: Served by four (3) Diocesan Priests and four (4) Sisters and Two (2) lay persons in four (4) parishes. The mission established in 1964.

SCHOOLS: Largest System in the State of Ohio: 105 Elementary (30,962 enrolled), 21 Secondary (12,984 enrolled)
60 Pre-schools (2,957 enrolled).

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SOCIAL SERVICES: Catholic Charities of Cleveland---the largest diocesan system of social services in the world. Annually serves 330,006 people (all denominations)...3.2 million meals. .61,082 nights of shelter.

LEADERSHIP: The Most Reverend Richard G. Lennon, Bishop of Cleveland.

Installed as 10th Bishop of Cleveland on May 15, 2006. Ordained to the priesthood, May 19, 1973. Birth date- March 26, 1947 in Arlington, Massachusetts.

LEADERSHIP CONT'D: The Most Rev. Roger W. Gries, O.S.B., consecrated as Aux. Bishop of Cleveland on June 7, 2001.

The Most Rev. Anthony M. Pilla, (Emeritus) consecrated as Bishop of Cleveland on January 6, 1981. Most Rev. A. James Quinn, J.C.D. J.D. V.G (Retired) consecrated Aux. Bishop of Cleveland on Dec, 5, 1983. Most Rev. Edward Pevec, Ph.D., V.G (Retired) consecrated Aux. Bishop of Cleveland on July 2, 1982.

CATHEDRAL: Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Established 1848. Capacity 1200.

DIOCESAN STAFF MISSION STATEMENT:

As members of the diocesan staff, we support the bishop in ministering to the people of God by working together to provide vision, leadership and service to continue the mission of Jesus to transform the world. As a community, we are committed to live by these values: Faith, Dignity, Stewardship and Justice.

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