



# 2020 Fact Sheet

## Diocese of Raleigh

Established December 12, 1924 and comprises 54 eastern North Carolina counties across 32,000 square miles.

Most Reverend Luis Rafael Zarama  
*Bishop of Raleigh*

<b>Bishop</b>	<b>1</b>
Retired Bishops	0
<b>Priests</b>	
Diocesan Active	66
Active Outside Diocese	3
Retired, Sick, Absent	30
Number of Diocesan Priests	99
Religious Priests	51
Total Priests in Diocese	150
Extern Priests	22
<b>Permanent Deacons</b>	<b>73</b>
<b>Brothers</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Sisters</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Seminarians</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Parishes</b>	<b>80</b>
Under Direction of Resident Diocesan Priests	42
Under Direction of Resident Religious Priests	24
Administered by Non-resident Priests	14
Administered by Lay People	0
<b>Missions</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Pastoral Centers</b>	<b>4</b>

<b>High Schools</b>	
Diocesan and Parish	2
Total Students	1,676
Private High School	1
Total Students	209
<b>Elementary Schools</b>	
Diocesan and Parish	27
Total Students	7,466
<b>Catechesis/Religious Education</b>	
High School Students	4,905
Elementary Students	14,914
Total Students Under Catholic Instruction	29,170
<b>Teachers (Full- and Part-time)</b>	
Clergy	4
Religious Sisters	8
Lay Teachers	638
<b>Baptisms</b>	
Infant Baptisms	3,641
Minor Baptisms	696
Adult Baptisms	139
<b>First Communions</b>	4,847
<b>Confirmations</b>	3,401
<b>Received into Full Communion</b>	332
<b>Marriages</b>	
Catholic	619
Interfaith Marriages	231
Total Marriages	850
<b>Deaths</b>	1,292
<b>Total Catholic Population</b>	232,588
<b>Total Population</b>	5,091,110

*Source(s):*

*2020 Official Catholic Directory*