

DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Memo

To: Pastors and Parochial Administrators

From: Uli Schmitt, Chancellor 

Date: September 21, 2026

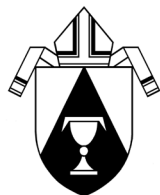
Subject: 2026 October Mass Counts

All Pastors and Parochial Administrators are requested to take the annual count of people attending Mass in person on any two weekends in October.

The purpose of this count is to provide an estimate of the number of practicing Catholics in the Diocese. The information gathered from this count assists the Office of the Bishop in tracking shifting parish populations, assessing various needs in the Diocese, and planning for the future.

As in previous years, we request that you send us the total of the two age categories for each weekend. We are also requesting that if you have a Spanish Mass or Mass in another language, you count them separately and report the total in the space provided marked "Spanish or Other." If this is applicable in your parish, fill in the language along with the count. Use a separate attendance sheet if you have a mission or station.

Please return the completed form to the Office of the Bishop by November 16, 2026, by email to Gloria Gentil @ ggentil@scd.org or FAX (916) 733-0215. Please call Gloria if you have any questions at 916-733-0203.



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2026 OCTOBER MASS COUNTS

Instructions:

1. Pick two weekend dates in October.
2. Count Mass attendance (under 18 years and 18 and older) for each Mass.
3. Add Mass totals for each language and age. Then enter the totals below.
4. Attach additional counts for Mass totals at Missions. Please enter the name of the Mission in the space provided for Parish Name.
5. Please submit form to Gloria Gentil at ggentil@scd.org by **November 16, 2026**.
6. Contact Gloria at ggentil@scd.org or 916-733-0203 if you have any questions.

1st Weekend Date: _____

Under 18 yrs. 18 and older

ENGLISH Saturday Vigil & Sunday *(total of all masses)* _____

SPANISH Saturday Vigil & Sunday *(total of all masses)* _____

Masses in Other Languages: _____
(Specify language and how often – weekly or monthly)

2nd Weekend Date: _____

Under 18 yrs. 18 and older

ENGLISH Saturday Vigil & Sunday *(total of all masses)* _____

SPANISH Saturday Vigil & Sunday *(total of all masses)* _____

Masses in Other Languages: _____
(Specify language and how often – weekly or monthly)

Pastor/Administrator

Parish Name

Parish City