

Diocesan Statistical Data

Last updated February 2023

Most Reverend Robert J. McClory

Ordained May 22, 1999; appointed Bishop of Gary November 26, 2019; consecrated and installed Bishop of Gary February 11, 2020.

Former Bishops: Most Reverend Donald J. Hying

Ordained May 20, 1989; Appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Milwaukee and Titular Bishop of Regiae May 26, 2011; consecrated July 20, 2011; appointed Bishop of Gary November 24, 2014; installed Bishop of Gary January 6, 2015; appointed Bishop of Madison April 25, 2019; installed Bishop of Madison June 25, 2019.

Most Reverend Dale J. Melczek

Bishop of Gary; ordained June 6, 1964; Appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Detroit and Titular Bishop of Trau December 3, 1982; consecrated January 27, 1983; appointed Apostolic Administrator of Gary August 19, 1992; appointed Coadjutor Bishop of Gary October 20, 1995; succeeded to the See of Gary June 1, 1996; retired November 24, 2014; died August 25, 2022.

Most Reverend Norbert F. Gaughan

Ordained Nov. 4, 1945; appt. Auxiliary Bishop of Greensburg April 2, 1975; cons. June 26, 1975; appt. Bishop of Gary July 9, 1984; retired June 1, 1996; died Oct. 1, 1999.

Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka

Ordained Dec. 5,1933; appt. Bishop of Gary Dec. 29, 1956; cons. Feb 25, 1957; retired July 9, 1984; died Nov. 11, 1993.

Diocese of Gary (Dioecesis Gariensis)

ESTABLISHED DECEMBER 17, 1956 SQUARE MILES 1,807 Comprises the counties of Lake, LaPorte, Porter and Starke in the State of Indiana. For legal titles of parishes and diocesan institutions, consult the chancery.

STATISTICAL OVERVIEW

Personnel

Bishop - 1

Priests:

Diocesan Active in Diocese - 43
Diocesan Active Outside Diocese - 0
Diocesan in Foreign Missions - 0
Diocesan Retired, Sick or Absent - 34
Number of Diocesan Priests - 77
Religious Priests in Diocese - 47
Extern Priests in Diocese - 5
Permanent Deacons in Diocese - 70
Total Brothers - 12
Total Sisters - 56



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Parishes

Parishes - 59

With Resident Pastor:

Resident Diocesan Priests - 35

Resident Religious Priests - 7

Without Resident Pastor:

Administered by Priests - 16

Administered by Deacon - 1

Missions - 2

Pastoral Centers - 6

Professional Ministry Personnel:

Brothers in Diocese - 3 Sisters in Diocese - 20 Lay Ministers - 129

Welfare and Total Assisted:

Catholic Hospitals - 7: 2,374,799 Homes for the Aged - 1: 25 Residential Care of Children - 1: 16 Day Care Centers - 1: 37 Specialized Homes - 2 Special Centers for Social Services - 7: 35,000

Education

Colleges and Universities - 1 Total Students - 664 High Schools: Diocesan - 3 Total Students - 1,248

High Schools: Private - 1 Total Students - 18

Elementary Schools: Diocesan and Parish - 17 Total Students - 4,397

Catechesis/Religious Education: High School Students - 132 Elementary Students - 4,870 Total Students Under Catholic Instruction - 11,342

Teachers in the Diocese: Priests - 0 Sisters - 2 Lay Teachers - 474

Vital Statistics

Receptions into the Church: Infant Baptism Totals - 915 Minor Baptism Totals - 59 Adult Baptism Totals - 39 Received into Full Communion - 79

First Communions - 1,057

Confirmations - 1.111

Marriages: Catholic - 206 Interfaith - 57 Total Marriages - 263

Deaths - 1,219

Total Catholic Population – 170,144

Total Population – 810,210