

The Ecumenical and Interfaith Concerns Mission of the Parish Council

Goals:

- Formation of a St. Patrick parish Ecumenical and Interfaith Cooperation mission.
- Formation of local LARC covenants with Lutheran and Episcopal parishes in York.
- Parish participation in the national Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 18 – 25, 2020).
- Parish participation in ecumenical prayer services with other Christian churches during Lent, Advent and Thanksgiving, and other times as appropriate.
- Parish participation in non-Catholic ministries to the poor in York (Crispus Attucks, LifePath Christian Ministries (formerly York Rescue Mission), etc.)

Cornerstones of Ecumenical and Interfaith Concerns, and Diocesan and Vatican resources

LARC (Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic Covenant, a Covenant among:

- ✓ The Episcopal Diocese of Central Pennsylvania
- ✓ The Lower Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
- ✓ The Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg
- ✓ The Upper Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

<https://www.hbgdiocese.org/about/diocesan-offices/ecumenical/larc-covenant/>

Interconfessional Dialogues (Centro Pro Unione) – dialogs with other Christian churches

http://www.prounione.urbe.it/dia-int/e_dialogues.html

Declaration on the Relationship of the Church to Non-Christian Religions (Nostra Aetate)
Proclaimed By His Holiness Pope Paul VI on October 28, 1965

http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/documents/vat-ii_decl_19651028_nostra-aetate_en.html

Decree on Ecumenism (Unitatis Redintegratio)

http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/documents/vat-ii_decree_19641121_unitatis-redintegratio_en.html

Directory for the Application of Principles and Norms on Ecumenism, Vatican, March 25, 1993

http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/pontifical_councils/chrstuni/general-docs/rc_pc_chrstuni_doc_19930325_directory_en.html

Pontifical Council for Inter-Religious Dialogue

Established by Pope John XXIII on 5 June 1960

http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/pontifical_councils/interelq/index.htm

Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity

http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/pontifical_councils/chrstuni/index.htm