



**Diocese of Victoria in Texas
Vicar Forane Parish Visitation Form**

This form should be completed by the pastor and returned to the dean, prior to the dean's visitation to the parish.

PASTORAL PROGRAMS

What Baptismal Preparation Program is now in place in the parish? _____

Who is responsible for the program? _____

Is the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) regularly offered in the parish? Yes___ No___

Which of the diocesan-approved Marriage Preparation Programs are being used in the parish?

In addition, is *FOCCUS* or some other type of marriage preparation instrument being utilized?
Yes___ No___

Does the program include (at minimum) an introduction to Natural Family Planning (NFP), by a certified NFP teacher(s)?
Yes___ No___

Does the parish utilize the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)? Yes___ No___

If no, are plans being made for its implementation? Yes___ No___

Does the parish utilize the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC)? Yes___ No___

How is the Religious Education (R.E.) Program/CCE structured?

Is the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) available to students in the R.E. programs?

Yes____ No____ How often? _____

Does the parish have a program for youth? Yes____ No____

Does the parish employ a part-time/full-time Director of Youth Ministry? Yes____ No____

Is there an established program for young adults in the parish? Yes____ No____

What lay spirituality movements are present in your parish? (ex., Cursillo, ACTS, etc.)
Please list:

Does the parish have a Liturgy Committee? Yes____ No____

Is there an organized Social Ministry in the parish? Yes____ No____

If YES, what form of Social Ministry currently exists in the parish?

Social Ministry Committee	Yes____	No____
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Yes____	No____
Bereavement Committee	Yes____	No____
Other (Please describe)	Yes____	No____

Does the parish have a cemetery? Yes____ No____

If yes, who is in charge of the administration of the cemetery?

Does the parish have a school? Yes____ No____

a. What grades? _____

b. How many students? _____

c. How many teachers? _____

d. Overall, does the parish support the school? Yes____ No____

e. What percentage of the parish annual budget goes to support the school? _____%

- f. Do students attend Mass weekly? Yes____ No____
- g. Is the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) offered to the students during the school year? Yes____ No____

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Are the hospital(s) and nursing home(s), within the parish boundaries, visited regularly?
 Yes____ No____ By: Priest _____ Deacon _____

Do Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion visit? Yes____ No____

Is Mass offered in the nursing homes? Yes____ No____

Are the prison(s), jail(s), or detention facilities located in the parish boundaries regularly visited?
 Yes____ No____ By: Priest _____ Deacon _____

Do Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion visit? Yes____ No____

Is Mass offered? Yes____ No____

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Who is the Safe Environment administrator for the parish and, if applicable, parochial school?

Is the parish/school currently in compliance with the diocesan Safe Environment Program?

Yes____ No____

If no, what is being done to become compliant? _____

COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES

Does the parish have a Pastoral Council, which canon 536 states in optional? Yes____ No ____

How often does the Parish Finance Council, which is obligatory according to canon 537, meet?

When were the parish financial records last audited? _____

By whom? _____

Does the parish have a Maintenance Committee? Yes____ No ____

SPECIAL CONCERNS

The parish is not to be seen in isolation. It must be measured and evaluated in terms of the neighborhood and area that it serves.

Parish

Does the parish and/or the neighborhood that you serve have any special problems or needs?

Is the territory of your parish undergoing any type of ethnic or racial change? Yes_____ No_____

If YES, please describe_____
