Upcoming

2026 November Plenary Assembly

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops



Messages

- Address of the Apostolic Nuncio
- Bishops' Message to the Holy Father
- Presidential Address



Updates, Addresses, and Workshops

- Task Force on Preserving Human Dignity in the Age of Artificial Intelligence
- Intercontinental Guadalupan Novena
- Communal Prayer for the 80th Anniversary of Canonization of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini
- International Eucharistic Congress in 2028
- 20th Anniversary of the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa
- Workshop on a New Generation of Seekers

Action Items

Causes of Beatification and Canonization

Vote for a canonical consultation on the causes for beatification and canonization of Maria Middleton, a Philadelphia-area teenager remembered for her joyful faith amid cancer, as the Church considers her possible recognition as a saint.



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Diocesan Financial Reporting Guidelines

Vote to renew the USCCB's voluntary diocesan financial reporting resolution through November 2031, with updates reflecting Pope Francis' revisions to canon law on financial crimes and emphasizing formation for diocesan finance council members.

USCCB's Socially Responsible Investment Guidelines



Vote on changes and updates to USCCB's Socially Responsible Investment Guidelines, which guide the Conference's investment decisions in accordance with Catholic moral and social teaching, with revisions addressing emerging issues such as artificial intelligence. As an amendable action item, the proposal may be modified during the bishops' deliberations.

New Edition of the *Lectionary for Mass* and *Book of the Gospels*

Vote to approve a new edition of the Lectionary for Mass and Book of the Gospels, incorporating updated approved biblical texts and liturgical revisions. As an amendable action item, the proposal may be modified during the bishops' deliberations.

Annual Day of Prayer for Racial Justice

Vote on whether to designate the last Sunday in October as a "Day of Prayer for Racial Justice," inviting Catholics to pray and reflect on the Church's commitment to racial justice, human dignity, and reconciliation.

Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities

Vote to make updates to the USCCB's *Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities*, last revised in 2001 before the *Dobbs* decision, to reflect today's legal, pastoral, and cultural landscape while continuing to guide the Church's efforts in education, pastoral care, public policy, and prayer.

USCCB Budget for 2027



Vote on the approval of the USCCB's 2027 operating budget, which establishes the Conference's anticipated revenues and expenditures to support its national ministries, programs, committees, and administrative operations for the coming year.

Election of Conference Secretary, Six Committee Chairs, and General Secretary

Elections for Conference secretary and six committee chairmen:

- Committee on Catholic Education
- Committee on Communications
- Committee on Cultural Diversity in the Church
- Committee on Doctrine
- Committee on National Collections
- Committee on Pro-Life Activities

Bishops will also elect a new USCCB general secretary.

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