

**Bulletin Article for Holy Cross, Our Mother of Sorrows, St. Charles Borromeo, St. John the Evangelist,  
St. Lawrence, St. Leo the Great, St. Mark**

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**Pastoral Planning: Sharing Our Reality—Parishes & Geography of the Diocese of Rochester**

Currently the Diocese of Rochester has 86 parishes within 12 counties stretching from Lake Ontario south to the PA border and from Brockport to Auburn. Only 28 of these are stand-alone parishes like St. Lawrence or St. Leo. Twenty-three are parishes with multiple (2-4) churches each, created from previously separate parishes that have been merged—e.g. St. Kateri in Irondequoit. Thirty-five, like Holy Cross and Our Mother of Sorrows, are parishes that share their leader/priest(s) with one or two other parishes. You can find a link to maps of the parishes in our diocese and a list of definitions on the pastoral planning webpage: <https://holycrossrochester.org/index.php/taskforce>