

## Reports

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### Parish Life Coordinators Study

#### Suggested Best Practices for Parish Life Coordinators and Sacramental Ministers

May 2, 2007

During the winter of 2007, nearly one hundred pastoral leaders gathered to discuss best practices for those ministering under Canon 517.2. Following is a list of suggestions surfaced by the participants.



#### Understanding the Ministry and Experience: Parish Life Coordinators in the United States

August 1, 2005

New to the Roman Catholic Church's 1983 Code of Canon Law was the following (517, §2): If the diocesan bishop should decide that due to a dearth of priests a participation in the exercise of the pastoral care of a parish is to be entrusted to a deacon or to some other person who is not a priest or to a community of persons, he is to appoint some priest endowed with the powers and faculties of a pastor to supervise the pastoral care.



#### Parishes Entrusted to Parish Life Coordinators

July 1, 2005

This report presents a profile and analysis of trends from data on parishes without resident priest pastors that are entrusted to Parish Life Coordinators (PLCs) collected by the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) at Georgetown University for The National Association for Lay Ministry (NALM) and its five partner organizations as part of a Lilly funded project "Developing and Sustaining the Emerging Models of Pastoral Leadership in the Catholic Church in the United States."



#### Understanding the Ministry: Parish Life Coordinators in the United States

March 1, 2005

This report presents a comprehensive profile of those deacons, religious, and lay persons providing, under Canon 517.2, pastoral and administrative leadership in parishes without a resident pastor. Called 'parish life coordinators' in this study, there are more than 30 titles for this position.



#### A Profile of Lay Ecclesial Ministers Serving as Parish Life Coordinators

April 1, 2004

This report presents results from the 2002 Lay Ecclesial Minister Poll conducted by the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) at Georgetown University. This national random sample telephone poll includes interviews with 795 lay ecclesial ministers in Catholic parishes in the United States.