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Albany, NY	Bishop Howard J. Hubbard		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Alexandria, LA	Apostolic Administrator		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Allentown, PA	Bishop Edward P. Cullen		N	unknown	Y		N	N	Y
Altoona-Johnstown, PA	Bishop Joseph V. Adamec		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Amarillo, TX	Bishop John W. Yanta		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Anchorage, AK	Bishop Roger L. Schwietz, OMI		N	unknown	Y		unknown	unknown	unknown
Arlington, VA	Bishop Paul S. Loverde		N	Y	Y		N	N	N
Atlanta, GA	Bishop John F. Donoghue		N	Y	Y		N	N	N
Austin, TX	Bishop Gregory M. Aymond		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Baker, OR	Bishop Robert F. Vasa		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Baltimore, MD	Archbishop William Cardinal Keeler; Bishop Gordon D. Bennett, SJ ; Bishop William Francis Malooly		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Baton Rouge, LA	Bishop Robert W. Muench		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Beaumont, TX	Bishop Curtis J. Guillory, SVD		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Belleville, IL	Bishop Wilton D. Gregory		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Biloxi, MS	Bishop Thomas J. Rodi		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Birmingham, AL	Bishop David E. Foley		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Bismark, ND	Bishop Paul A. Zipfel		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Boise, ID	Bishop Michael P. Driscoll		N	unknown	Y		N	N	Y

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Boston, MA	Archbishop Seán Patrick O'Malley, OFM Cap; Auxiliary Bishop Emilio Allué, SDB; Auxiliary Bishop John P. Boles, VF; Auxiliary Bishop Walter J. Edyvean; Auxiliary Bishop Francis X. Irwin; Vicar General and Auxiliary Bishop Richard G. Lennon		N	Y	Y		N	N	N
Bridgeport, CT	Bishop William E. Lori		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Brooklyn, NY	Bishop Nicholas A. DiMarzio; Auxiliary Bishop Ignatius A. Catanello; Bishop Emeritus Thomas V. Daily; Auxiliary Bishop Joseph M. Sullivan; Auxiliary Bishop René A. Valero		N	unknown	Y		N	Y	Y
Brownsville, TX	Bishop Raymundo J. Peña		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Buffalo, NY	Bishop Edward M. Grosz		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Burlington, VT	Bishop Kenneth A. Angell		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Camden, NJ	Bishop Joseph Galante		Y	unknown	N		N	Y	Y
Charleston, SC	Bishop Robert J. Baker		N	unknown	Y		N	Y	Y
Charlotte, NC	Bishop Peter J. Jugis		unknown	unknown	unknown		N	N	N
Cheyenne, WY	Bishop David L. Ricken		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N

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Chicago, IL	Archbishop Francis Cardinal George, OMI, Vicar General and Auxiliary Bishop Edwin M. Conway; Auxiliary Bishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller, MSpS; Auxiliary Bishop Francis J. Kane; Auxiliary Bishop Jerome E. Listeck; Auxiliary Bishop John R. Manz; Auxiliary Bishop Thomas J. Paprocki; Auxiliary Bishop Joseph N. Perry		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Cincinnati, OH	Archbishop Daniel E. Pilarczyk; Bishop Carl K. Moeddel		N	Y	Y		N	N	N
Cleveland, OH	Bishop Anthony M. Pilla		N	unknown	Y		N	N	Y
Colorado Springs, CO	Bishop Michael J. Sheridan		Y	unknown	N		N	N	N
Columbus, OH	Bishop James A. Griffin		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Corpus Christi, TX	Bishop Edmond Carmody		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Covington, KY	Bishop Roger J. Foys		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Crookston, MN	Bishop Victor Balke		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Dallas, TX	Bishop Charles V. Grahmann		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Davenport, IA	Bishop William E. Franklin		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Denver, CO	Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, OFM ^{Cap} ; Auxiliary Bishop Jose H. Gomez		N	Y	Y		N	N	N

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Des Moines, IA	Bishop Joseph L. Charron, CPPS		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Detroit, MI	Archbishop Adam Cardinal Maida; Auxiliary Bishop Moses B. Anderson; Auxiliary Bishop Earl Boyea; Auxiliary Bishop Thomas J. Gumbleton; Auxiliary Bishop Walter A. Hurley; Auxiliary Bishop John M. Quinn; Auxiliary Bishop Francis R. Reiss		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Dodge City, KS	Bishop Ronald M. Gilmore		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Dubuque, IA	Bishop Jerome G. Hanus, OSB		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Duluth, MN	Bishop Dennis M. Schnurr		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
El Paso, TX	Bishop Armando X. Ochoa		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Erie, PA	Bishop Donald W. Trautman		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Evansville, IN	Bishop Gerald A. Gettelfinger		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Fairbanks, AK	Bishop Donald J. Kettler		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Fall River, MA	Bishop George W. Coleman		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Fargo, ND	Bishop Samuel J. Aquila		N	Y	Y		N	N	N
Fort Wayne-South Bend, IN	Bishop John M. D'Arcy		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Fort Worth, TX	Bishop Joseph P. Delaney		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N

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Lake Charles, LA	Bishop Edward K. Braxton		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Lansing, MI	Bishop Carl F. Mengeling		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Laredo, TX	Bishop James A. Tamayo		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Las Cruces, NM	Bishop Ricardo Ramirez, C.S.B.		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Las Vegas, NV	Bishop Joseph A. Pepe		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Lexington, KY	Bishop Ronald W. Gainer		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Lincoln, NE	Bishop Fabian W. Bruskewitz		Y	unknown	N		Y	Y	Y
Little Rock, AR	Bishop J. Peter Sartain		N	unknown	Y		unknown	unknown	unknown
Los Angeles, CA	Archbishop Roger Cardinal Mahony		N	N	Y		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Louisville, KY	Bishop Thomas C. Kelly, OP		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Lubbock, TX	Bishop Placido Rodríguez, CMF		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Madison, WI	Bishop Robert C. Morlino ; Auxiliary Bishop George O. Wirz		N	Y	Y		N	N	N
Manchester, NH	Bishop John B. McCormack ; Auxiliary Bishop Francis J. Christian		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Marquette, MI	Bishop Reverend James H. Garland		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Memphis, TN	Bishop J. Terry Steib, SVD		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Metuchen, NJ	Bishop Paul G. Bootkoski		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Miami, FL	Archbishop John Clemont Favalora ; Most Reverend Felipe de Jesus Estevez		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N

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Military Services, DC	Archbishop Edwin F. O'Brien ; Auxiliary Bishop John J. Kaising; Auxiliary Bishop Joseph J. Madera, MSPS; Auxiliary Bishop Francis X. Roque		N	unknown	Y		unknown	unknown	unknown
Milwaukee, WI	Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan ; Vicar General Richard J. Sklba		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Mobile, AL	Bishop Oscar H. Lipscomb		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Monterey, CA	Bishop Sylvester D. Ryan		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Nashville, TN	Bishop Edward U. Kmiec		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
New Orleans, LA	Archbishop Alfred C. Hughes		N	Y	Y		N	N	N
New Ulm, MN	Bishop John C. Nienstedt		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
New York, NY	His Eminence Edward M. Egan		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Newark, NJ	Archbishop John J. Myers ; Auxiliary Bishop David Arias, OAR; Auxiliary Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha, SDV; Auxiliary Bishop Charles J. McDonnell		N	Y	Y		N	N	Y
Norwich, CT	Bishop Michael R. Cote		N	unknown	Y		N	N	Y
Oakland, CA	Bishop Allen H. Vigneron		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Odensburg, NY	Bishop Robert J. Cunningham		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply

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Oklahoma City	Bishop Eusebius J. Beltran		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Omaha, NE	Bishop Elden F. Curtiss		N	Y	Y		Y	unknown	unknown
Orange, CA	Bishop Tod D. Brown; Auxiliary Bishop Dominic Dinh Mai Luong; Auxiliary Bishop Jaime Soto		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Orlando, FL	Bishop Norbert M. Dorsey, CP; Bishop Thomas G. Wenski		N	Y	Y		N	N	N
Owensboro, KY	Bishop John J. McRaith		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Palm Beach, FL	Bishop Gerald M. Barbarito		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Paterson, NJ	Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli		N	unknown	unknown		unknown	unknown	unknown
Pensacola-Tallahassee, FL	Bishop John H. Ricard, SSJ		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Peoria, IL	Bishop Daniel R. Jenky, CSC		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Philadelphia, PA	Cardinal Justin F. Rigali; Auxiliary Bishop Michael F. Burbidge; Auxiliary Bishop Robert P. Maginnis		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Phoenix, AZ	Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Pittsburgh, PA	Bishop Donald W. Wuerl; Auxiliary Bishop William J. Winter		N	Y	Y		N	N	N

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Portland in Oregon	Archbishop John G. Vlazny; Most Reverend Kenneth Steiner		N	Y	Y		N	N	N
Portland, ME	Bishop Richard J. Malone; Vicar General, Rev. Monsignor Michael J. Henchal		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Providence, RI	Bishop Robert E. Mulvee		N	unknown	Y		unknown	unknown	unknown
Pueblo, CO	Bishop Arthur N. Tafoya		unknown	Y	unknown		unknown	unknown	unknown
Raliegh, NC	Bishop F. Joseph Gossman		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Rapid City, SD	Bishop Blase J. Cupich		N	unknown	Y		N	N	Y
Reno, NV	Bishop Phillip F. Straling		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Richmond, VA	Bishop Walter F. Sullivan		N	unknown	Y		unknown	unknown	N
Rochester, NY	Bishop Matthew H. Clark		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Rockford, IL	Bishop Thomas G. Doran		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Rockville Centre, NY	Bishop William F. Murphy; Vicar General Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Brennan		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Sacramento, CA	Bishop William K. Weigand; Auxiliary Bishop Richard J. Garcia		N	Y	Y		N	N	N
Saginaw, MI	Bishop Kenneth E. Untener		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Salina, KS	Bishop George K. Fitzsimons		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N

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Salt Lake City, UT	Bishop George H. Niederauer		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
San Angelo, TX	Bishop Michael D. Pfeifer, OMI		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
San Antonio, TX	Archbishop Patrick F. Flores ; Auxiliary Bishop Patrick J. Zurek		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
San Bernadino, CA	Bishop Gerald R. Barnes		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
San Diego, CA	Bishop Robert H. Brom ; Bishop Gilbert E. Chávez; Bishop Salvatore Cordileone		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
San Francisco, CA	Archbishop William J. Levada ; Auxiliary Bishop Ignatius Wang; Auxiliary Bishop John C. Wester		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
San Jose, CA	Bishop Patrick J. McGrath		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
Santa Fe, NM	Bishop Michael J. Sheehan		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Santa Rosa, CA	Bishop Daniel F. Walsh		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
Savannah, GA	Bishop J. Kevin Boland		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
Scranton, PA	Bishop Joseph F. Martino ; Auxiliary Bishop John M. Dougherty		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
Seattle, WA	Archbishop Alexander J. Brunett ; Bishop-designate George L. Thomas		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
Shreveport, LA	Bishop William B. Friend		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	

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Sioux City, IA	Bishop Daniel N. DiNardo		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Sioux Falls, SD	Bishop Robert J. Carlson		N	unknown	Y		unknown	unknown	unknown
Spokane, WA	Bishop William S. Skylstad		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Springfield in Illinois	Bishop George J. Lucas		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Springfield in Massachusetts	Bishop Timothy A. McDonnell ; Chancellor Rev. Daniel P. Liston, J.C.L. Vice-Chancellor, Msgr. Richard S. Sniezyk, V.G.		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Springfield-Cape Girardeau, MO	Bishop John J. Leibrecht		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
St. Augustine, FL	Bishop Victor B. Galeone		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
St. Cloud, MN	Bishop John F. Kinney		N	N	Y		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
St. Louis, MO	Archbishop Raymond Leo Burke		Y	unknown	N		Y	Y	Y
St. Paul-Minneapolis	Archbishop Reverend Harry J. Flynn ; Bishop Frederick F. Campbell; Bishop Richard E. Pates		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
St. Petersburg, FL	Bishop Robert N. Lynch		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
St. Thomas, VI	Bishop George V. Murry, SJ		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Steubenville, OH	Bishop R. Daniel Conlon		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Stockton, CA	Bishop Stephen E. Blaire		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N

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Superior, WI	Bishop Raphael M. Fliss		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
Syracuse, NY	Bishop James M. Moynihan		N	unknown	Y		Y	Y	Y	
Toledo, OH	Bishop Leonard P. Blair ; Auxiliary Bishop and Vicar General, Robert W. Donnelly; Episcopal Vicar Michael R. Billian, VE		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
Trenton, NJ	Bishop John M. Smith		N	unknown	Y		Y	Y	N	
Tulsa, OK	Bishop Edward James Slattery		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Tuscon, AZ	Bishop Gerald F. Kicanas ; Bishop Emeritus, Manuel D. Moreno		N	unknown	Y		N	N	Y	
Tyler, TX	Bishop Alvaro Corrada del Rio, SJ		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
Venice, FL	Bishop John J. Nevins		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
Victoria, TX	Bishop David E. Fellhauer		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	
Washington, DC	Archbishop/ Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick Ph.D., D.D ; Auxiliary Bishop Kevin J. Farrell; Auxiliary Bishop Francisco Gonzalez. S.F; Auxiliary Bishop Leonard J. Olivier, SVD		N	Y	Y		unknown	unknown	unknown	
Wheeling-Charleston, WV	Bishop Bernard W. Schmitt		N	unknown	Y		N	N	Y	
Wichita, KS	Bishop Eugene J. Gerber		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N	

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Wilmington, DE	Bishop Michael A. Saltarelli		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Winona, MN	Bishop Bernard J. Harrington		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Worcester, MA	Bishop Robert McManus		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N
Yakima, WA	Bishop Carlos A. Sevilla, SJ		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply		No Reply	No Reply	No Reply
Youngstown, OH	Bishop Thomas J. Tobin		N	unknown	Y		N	N	N