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## Families of Parishes Data

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*Below is information on each type of data file available for use by Families of Parishes in pastoral planning.*

### **Dataset #1 – Community Demographics**

**Date Provided:** March 2022

**Content:** Multiple files for each parish within each Family. This information is provided to help leadership better understand the communities they serve within their parish territory. It could be helpful when considering the ministries and charism of the parish but could also be valuable when planning events.

**Files:**

- A Family Profile Sheet providing stats for each parish (used during last Sept priest meetings)
- Community Demographics that include housing, education, age, race, income, and employment information
- Tapestry files that provide the makeup of the neighborhoods and people within the parish territory

### **Dataset #2 – Location Information**

**Date Provided:** April 2022

**Content:** This information is provided to help leadership when considering topics such as Mass scheduling, parishioner traveling behaviors, Family ministries and parishioner overlaps, community impact etc.

**File:** The single file contains maps for each parish that shows registered parishioners and accurate road-based driving distances both in minutes and miles.

### **Dataset #3 – Official Catholic Directory**

**Date Provided:** May 2022

**Content:** The information is provided to help leadership when considering sacramental activities, effort, and resources. It also may assist when working to meet these needs across the parishes within the Family.

**File:** The single file contains a high-level overview of the data available from the *Official Catholic Directory* (1999-2021). It is organized by deanery, Family and then broken out by parish. Further mining of the data can be done if requested.

*Additional information can be made available if requested. Please contact Rob Brock (Director of the Strategic Planning Office, [rbrock@catholicaoc.org](mailto:rbrock@catholicaoc.org)) to inquire about further details.*