



Regional Report for Annual Membership Meeting

November 18, 2020

2:00 PM EST

Region Information

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Region: 12

Current Term: 2020-22

Accomplishments *(Briefly list up to three accomplishments in 2020)*

- Dioceses in our Region worked hard offer resources for families facing the pandemic. There were websites and videos and other resources created to help people navigate this difficult year.
- Dioceses in our region worked hard to continue to provide marriage preparation, marriage enrichment, and parenting resources in creative ways through digital formats.
- Dioceses in our region did a better job of communicating and working together. One common project that came out of regional efforts was an outreach to Families with People with Disabilities.

Challenges *(Briefly list up to three challenges for the region)*

- Dioceses in our region experienced reduction in staff and/or budget. This means that directors added to their workloads by taking on more responsibilities and are trying to take on more with fewer financial resources.
- COVID-19 created a rapid need to try to shift services from in person to digital means. This created a challenge for expectations for programming and how programming would be executed given staffing and budget constraints.
- Dioceses in our region also experienced some major trauma due to the rioting and civil unrest in cities like Portland and Seattle.

Goals *(Briefly list up to three goals for 2021)*

- Continued networking and discussion of how we can work together as region to support one another spiritually and practically.
- Increase NACFLM memberships inviting those doing family ministry through our personal invitation to join the Association.
- Regional leaders would like to meet in person for a regional retreat/meeting in 2021 if the pandemic subsides.