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Ecumenical Pilgrimage of His Holiness Francis to Geneva (21 June 2018) – Statistics

Statistics of the Catholic Church in Geneva as of 31 December 2015 (from the Central Office for Church Statistics)

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The following are some statistical data relating to the situation of the Catholic Church in Geneva as of 31 December 2015:

Table 1 – Population and ecclesiastical structure

Area (km ²)	41,284
Population (in thousands)	8,327
Density (inhabitants/km ²)	202

Catholics (in thousands)	3,398
Catholics per 100 inhabitants	40.8
Ecclesiastical circumscriptions	8
Parishes	1,632
Other pastoral centres	141
Catholics per pastoral centre	1,917

Table 2 – People engaged in activities of the apostolate

Bishops ¹	22
Diocesan priests	1,451
Religious priests	796
Total priests	2,247
Permanent deacons	265
Men religious (other than priests)	214
Professed women religious	4,446
Members of secular Institutes	187
Lay missionaries	400
Catechists	1,515

[1] Situation on 31.12.2017

Table 3 – Indicators of pastoral workload

Catholics per priest	1,512
Catholics per pastoral worker	366
Priests per pastoral centre	1.27
Priests per 100 people engaged in activities of the apostolate	24.4

Table 4 – Priestly vocations

Minor seminarians	5
Major seminarians	130
Major seminarians per 100,000 inhabitants	1.56
Major seminarians per 100,000 Catholics	3.83
Major seminarians per 100 priests	5.79

Table 5 – Educational centres owned / managed by ecclesiastics or religious**Schools:**

Pre-school and primary	22
Lower middle and secondary	14
Higher and university	4

Students in:

Pre-school and primary schools	3,126
Lower middle and secondary schools	3,389
Higher and university institutes	1,319

Table 6 – Charitable and social centres owned / managed by ecclesiastics or religious

Hospitals	2
Homes for the elderly and disabled	11
Orphanages and nurseries	10
Family consultation centres	4
Special centres of social education or rehabilitation	2
Other institutions	10
