

1. The Country in numbers and map - UKRAINE

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Capital – Kyiv

Area (total): 603,628 km²

Population 41,588,354

- Ethnic groups (2001)^{l3}
- 77.8% Ukrainians
- 17.3% Russians
- 4.9% others/unspecified

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ukraine#Religion>

Religion in Ukraine ([Razumkov Centre](#) 2018)^[4]

2. The Church in numbers

La Chiesa in numeri | La Iglesia en cifras



Virgin Orans icon of Kyiv

<u>Orthodoxy</u>	67.3%
Do not believe in one of the listed religions	11.0%
<u>Greek Catholicism</u>	9.4%
Unspecified Christian	7.7%
<u>Protestantism</u>	2.2%
<u>Latin Catholicism</u>	0.8%
<u>Judaism</u>	0.4%
<u>Buddhism</u>	0.1%
<u>Hinduism</u>	0.1%
<u>Neopaganism</u>	0.1%
Other religions	0.1%
Unanswered	0.9%

3. Lay people in the parish, associations, movements

I laici in parrocchia, associazioni, movimenti | Laicos en parroquia, asociaciones y movimientos

Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church

Worldwide, the faithful now number some 6 to 10 million, forming the second largest particular Catholic Church,^[citation needed] after the majority Latin Rite Church

Currently the Ukrainian Greek Catholic church has 3317 parishes which makes it the third largest denomination in Ukraine

Latin-rite Catholicism is practiced predominantly by non-Ukrainian minorities, in particular Poles and Hungarians.^[citation needed]

After the restoration of Soviet power in Western Ukraine since 1944, many Catholic churches and monasteries were compulsorily closed and clergy persecuted.^[56]

In 1991, Pope John Paul II officially restored the activities of Catholic Dioceses in Ukraine and appointed bishops.^[56] Currently the Catholic Church in Ukraine has 807 parishes in 713 churches.^[57]



ECUMENIC SERVICE

«**CHRISTIAN RESCUE SERVICE**»:

THE APOSTOLIC TRAVEL WITH JESUS

Vox clamantis in deserto

IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE CALLED TO BE THERE,
WHERE:

IT IS NECESSARY TO EXTINGUISH THE FIRE, TO WIPE THE BLOOD,
TO DRY THE TEARS, TO ENLIGHTEN THE MIND,
TO HEAL THE SPIRIT, SOUL, AND BODY OF PEOPLE,
TO BLESS THE EARTH, NATION AND SOCIUM.



Mission of the CRS: Three Dimensions

Evangelistic mission — evangelism, peace and healing

Preaching the Gospel and providing humanitarian assistance to Ukrainian military and civilians in the war zone, as well as evangelizing and rehabilitating of the veterans and their families, refugees and other people affected by the war

Spiritual mission - blessing, sanctification and restoration

Permanent prayer intercession for Ukraine and its people, as well as for other countries, prayer cover of the ministry and ministers of the CRS.

Social / Society Mission - Enlightenment, leadership and creation

Educational and practical activities aimed at organizing the personal, family and communal living space of Christians on the biblical basis, preparing Christians for responsible service in society





Evangelistic mission. War zone



Today, there are 5 missionary front-line units of the CRS operating on the demarcation line and in the surrounding areas of the "gray zone":

Mariupol, Mariinka, Avdiivka, Bakhmut, Starobilsk.

There are teams of CRS ministers (chaplains, rescuers, missionaries) in each Unit which act on the permanent or regular rotation basis, implementing various humanitarian, social and educational programs in conjunction with prayer, evangelism and pastoral care.

In the war zone, the CRS cooperates with the Armed Forces of Ukraine, with local governments and local churches.





Evangelistic mission. Peaceful territories



One of the main services of the CRS in the war free territories is to work with people who have been affected by the war. These are veterans and their families, refugees from the war zone, families of people who were captured and imprisoned by Russia, as well as residents of the frontline zone, especially children who temporarily come to the peaceful territories for rehabilitation.

Within the structure of the CRS, these categories of people are dealt with by a special Center whose purpose is spiritual, psychological, educational and social support in combination with pastoral care and evangelism.





Social mission. Christian Social Platform

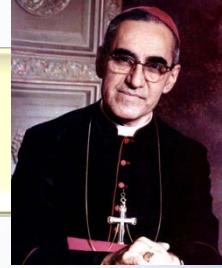


- Promoting the Social Doctrine of the Catholic Church and assistance for its practical implementation in the life of the individual, family, community and nation.
- Carrying out trainings in various areas of daily life (social leadership, family, health, finances, ecology, profession, etc.).
- Implementation of programs for the purpose of social and economic self-organization of communities, energy efficiency etc.
- Promoting the formation and activities of Christian lay movements, communities, groups.





Social mission. Christian Public Platform

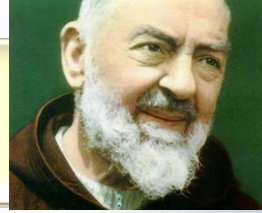


- Promoting in the society the vision of the further development of Ukraine as the center of modern European Christian civilization
- Dissemination and rooting of basic Christian values in the daily activities of governmental institutions, civil society institutions and other spheres of social life
- Formation of the worldview of a conscious and responsible Christian citizens
- Protecting and strengthening the institution of the Christian family, the struggle to save lives from conception to death





Spiritual mission. Prayer Shield



- **continuous individual prayer in the intentions of the CRS;**
- **participation in periodic prayer vigils in the intentions of the CRS;**
- **participating in emergency prayer teams;**
- **organizing intercessory and internal healing prayers for overcoming the spiritual wounds of war victims;**
- **participating in prayer groups that have an appropriate mission**

