

The American Catholic Quiz

1. 5 to 15% of American Catholics attend Mass on a weekly basis.
2. Just under 40% of Catholic high school graduates attend Mass on a weekly basis.
3. 85% of Catholics (ages 18-29), believe homosexual behavior should be accepted in our society.
4. In a 2014 Pew Survey:
 - a. 77% of Catholics said they believed the Church should allow the use of artificial birth control;
 - b. 72% believe priests should be allowed to marry;
 - c. 68% believe women should be eligible to be ordained priests;
 - d. 50% believe the Catholic Church should recognize same-sex marriages.
5. Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone is currently under consistent media criticism for requiring teachers in the San Francisco Archdiocese Catholics schools to refrain from teaching beliefs inconsistent with Catholic doctrine.
6. In 2014, Cardinal Spellman High in New York City, cancelled a talk that was to be given by Fr. Donald Timone because he was expected to discourage students from engaging in homosexual behavior.
7. Last spring, Omaha Skutt (Catholic) became national news when they decided not to renew the contract of their speech teacher after he informed them he was going to marry his same-sex partner over the summer.
8. Since the year 2000:
 - a. 14 million people have left the Catholic faith.
 - i. Of this group, 80% have done so by the age of 25.
 - b. Catholic marriages have declined by 41%.
 - c. Catholic infant baptisms have declined by 31%.
 - d. Catholic school enrollment has declined by 19%.
 - e. 1,753 Catholic churches have been closed.
 - f. The number of religious sisters has decreased by almost 41,000.
9. The average weekly parish donation by Catholic households is \$10.00.