# VALUES

We are called to:

JUSTICE bringing light to darkness,

hope to the marginalized of the world

# RENEWAL

operating out of the spirit of the Second Vatican Council

# COMPASSION

making forgiveness and love foundational in our actions

# HUMAN DIGNITY

respect and honor for all members of the human family

# **INCLUSIVENESS**

embracing the global family, its rich diversity and sacredness of all creation

# EXCELLENCE

striving to achieve the highest quality of journalism

# **MISSION STATEMENT**

The National Catholic Reporter Publishing Company seeks to inform and inspire a just and peaceful world, serving as a platform for discussions of church, society and global community. As a company, we are committed in our publishing efforts to the Roman Catholic tradition and people. We identify with those trying to live by Christ's life-affirming teachings of justice and compassion.

Having developed through the inspiration of the Second Vatican Council, our spirit is independent, our management lay, our vision ecumenical. We attempt to contribute to the Catholic conversation by supporting freedom, honesty, openness and shared responsibility within the *NCR* reader community, the communities in which we live, and in the church, and by promoting the vision of a pilgrim church intimately linked with humanity and its history. We realize our unique responsibilities as North American Catholic publishers, both in our own society and in the worldwide faith community.

From these perspectives, our biweekly newspaper reports and comments on the church in the modern world. Both our print and Web publishing efforts foster an active, engaged spirituality in support of human dignity, social justice, environmental responsibility and world peace. As we dialogue within the Catholic community and with those beyond, we balance integrity and sensitivity, keeping an editorial vision that is both prophetic and reconciling — discerning the work of God's Spirit and also aware of human limitations.

We try, in all our management and publishing decisions, to evaluate carefully the needs of the faith community we serve and to respond effectively to those needs.

"National Catholic Reporter is a brave little newspaper"

# **ABOUT NCR**

The *National Catholic Reporter* is the independent Catholic newspaper that has covered events related to the church in the world since 1964. Inspired by the Second Vatican Council, *NCR* continues to meet the need for aggressive reporting of the religious dimension of the news and provides an open forum for reader discussion. Insightful articles challenge our readership of more than 100,000 who want to know the facts, yet want to form their own opinions as free thinkers in today's church.

*NCR* has won the Catholic Press Association's Award for General Excellence for the past eight years. Our senior correspondent was a leader of CNN's coverage of the last papal conclave, and our editorial staff includes Pulitzer Prize nominees and former writers for *TIME Magazine*, RNS, and the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. We benefit from our relationships with a network of 200 writers and journalists, whose articles have also appeared in *The New York Times*, *U.S. Catholic, Sojourners, The Sun, Newsday, The Tablet* and *Christian Century*, among others. The *New York Times* has called *NCR* "a brave little newspaper." A Kansas City magazine referred to *NCR* as "the gutsiest newspaper in the U.S. — and maybe the world."

The Kansas City-based, lay-edited *NCR* is proud of its editors and writers and of its 44-year history. *NCR* first went to press in October 1964 during the Second Vatican Council. It was very much the "godchild" of the council — and was, indeed, part of the needed fresh air of which Pope John XXIII spoke when he announced the council a few years earlier. From *NCR*'s energetic beginnings, through its adolescence, it has now settled into adulthood with new confidence and purpose.

Shortly before he died, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin told *NCR*'s publisher that he viewed *NCR* as a "candle providing light during a long dark night." He added that it was our responsibility to make certain that the *NCR* candle would stay lit until the dawn. This is a responsibility that we feel blessed to take seriously.

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# ABOUT OUR READERS

# NCR Readership by Region

West/Northwest	16%
North	8%
Midwest	16%
South/Southeast	12%
East	46%
Alaska/Hawaii	1%
International	1%

### **READERSHIP:**

Nationwide, weekly readership of 120,000 (44% have been avid readers for 10-20 years.)

### GENDER:

62% Female 38% Male

# AVERAGE INCOME:

\$30,000 - \$100,000 (40% = \$50,000 to \$100,000)

### EDUCATION:

80% of our readers are college graduates with varying degrees (More than 67% have a Master's, Doctorate or Professional Degree.)

# WORK BACKGROUND:

Educational professionals, ordained and non-ordained church ministry, health/medical professionals, business/finance professionals, counselors, art/music professionals, science/ technology professionals, media-related professionals

# **VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES:**

Church (e.g., 56% in religious education, lector, eucharistic minister), fund raising, school/arts/civic, nursing home/shutins, social service, community pantry/soup kitchen, homeless and women's shelters, ecology and health care

# SPIRITUAL PRACTICE:

Members of a parish/eucharistic community, meditation/ centering prayer group, attend Mass weekly (60%), attend spiritual retreats, house of prayer, day of reflections, renewal and sabbatical programs, monastic and hermitage experiences and practice Tai Chi/Chi Gung and Yoga for spiritual development

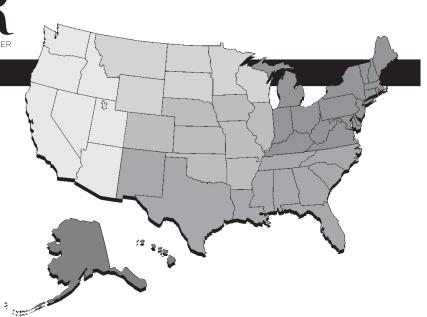
# CULTURAL/SOCIAL/LEISURE ACTIVITIES:

Attend music/dance performances, movies, museums/art shows/galleries (73%)

Take 1-10 trips nationally/internationally every year (53%) Have traveled to another country in past 3 years (49%) Participate in outdoor/indoor gardening (51%), cooking (41%), photography (25%)

# PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE:

Attend peace rallies, take active roles in civic/social justice/ disobedience issues, are members of nonviolence/social justice groups, traveled to a third world country



# HEALTH/WELLNESS/AGING ACTIVITIES:

Read food labels, take vitamins, herbs or supplements, exercise regularly, shop at natural food stores and follow health conscious diets, members of health clubs, use message therapy/products, acupuncture and aromatherapy

### HEALTH CARE VOLUNTEERS:

Involved in primary care for friend or relative, volunteer with hospice, assist in funeral planning

### FAMILY/HOME LIFE:

Single and family dwellings, interested in family-based television and home schooling programs, live in households with pets

### **ENVIRONMENTAL:**

Practice recycling/composting, use earth-friendly products, go backpacking/hiking and camping, support vegetarian lifestyles

### **CONTRIBUTIONS:**

90% contribute to charities/nonprofit causes, parishes, food programs, Catholic Charities and Catholic education, children's funds and United Way

## **INTERNET USAGE:**

77% have access to internet at home or work, purchase on internet, arrange travel plans, purchase books/music/ religious goods on internet, visit *NCR's* web site and visit web sites mentioned in *NCR* or *NCR*'s web site

### LEARNING/CREATIVITY:

Attend (or gave) workshops/lectures, conferences, study/ pilgrimage tours, personal creative development courses, justice programs, internet or correspondence courses, foreign language courses, theological/spirituality programs

### FINANCIAL PLANNING:

Homeowners, socially conscious investors, have annuities or planned giving programs

### PURCHASING ACTIVITIES:

49% made purchases by mail or phone, 37% purchase religious goods and supplies, 28% read *NCR* classified section regularly, purchase products/good/services seen in *NCR*, 50% purchase 1-10 books per year and/or are members of book clubs, purchase CD's, DVD's, audio/video products or instructional tapes

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# NATIONAL CATHOLIC EPORTER SPECIAL ISSUES

2008	SPECIAL ISSUES	Updated March 14, 200
REMAINING ISSUE DATES	2008	2009
April 4 April 18 May 2 May 16 May 30	<ul> <li>Summer Books:</li> <li>2008: May 2 (Closing 04/04/08) Advertise your best sellers – to our nationwide readership of 100,000 – in this annual summer feast of titles.</li> <li>Summer Listings 2:</li> <li>2008: May 16 (Closing 03/28/08) A follow-up to Summer Listings 1 – this issue includes your</li> </ul>	Destinations: 2009: January 23 (Closing 12/26/08) Winter Books: 2009: February 6 (Closing 01/09/09) Each year, 50% of our readers purchase 10 or more books, CDs, DVDs, audio/video products or instructional tapes and/or are members of book clubs.
June 13 June 27 July 11 July 25 August 8 August 22 September 5 September 19 October 3 October 17 October 31 November 14 November 28	latest information for our readers. Destinations: 2008: June 13 (Closing 05/16/08) Offer our readers a meaningful getaway destination. Advertise your tours, vacation packages, cruises, pilgrimages and more to an audience that likes to travel. Fall & Winter Listings: 2008: August 22 (Closing 07/25/08) Retreats, conventions, conferences, educational opportuni- ties and numerous other categories a very popular and well-read special issue. Ministries: 2008: September 19 (Closing 08/15/08) This is an opportunity to showcase your unique ministerial program or resource to an audience highly involved in	<ul> <li>Religious Life 1:</li> <li>2009: February 20 (Closing 01/23/09) <ul> <li>Are you a religious community offering vocation opportunities, retreats or ministry experiences? Do you have a retreat, educational program or service to offer members of religious communities? Then this special issue is for you.</li> <li>Catholic Colleges &amp; Universities:</li> <li>2009: March 6 (Closing 02/06/09)</li> <li>Summer Listings 1:</li> <li>2009: March 20 (Closing 01/23/09)</li> <li>Each year, hundreds of advertisers use this issue to announce their conferences, retreats, sabbaticals, educational opportunities and more. This is one of our most popular supplements.</li> <li>Catholic Education:</li> <li>2009: April 3 (Closing 03/06/09)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
December 12 December 26	ministry. Fall Books: 2008: October 3 (Closing 09/05/08) Entice our readers with your books, CDs, DVDs, audio/video items – just in time for holiday gift ideas!	Reach students interested in your college or university programs and parents deciding on Catholic schools for their children. Find buyers for your Catholic education resources. Ecology:
2009 ISSUE DATES January 9 January 23 February 6 February 20 March 6 March 20 April 3 April 17 May 1 May 15 May 29 June 12 June 26 July 10 July 24 August 7 August 7	<ul> <li>Paths to Peace:</li> <li>2008: October 17 (Closing 09/12/08) Issues of peace and justice are important concerns for NCR readers. Connect them to your peace and justice resources: educational materials, programs, and causes.</li> <li>Catholic Colleges &amp; Universities:</li> <li>2008: November 14 (Closing 10/17/08) Promote your institutions in this issue seen by college- bound students and high school counselors nationwide.</li> <li>Family Life:</li> <li>2008: November 28 (Closing 10/24/08) Whatever aspect of family life your program, service or product serves, NCR readers are your target audience. Take advantage of this special issue.</li> <li>Spirituality:</li> <li>2008: December 12 (Closing 11/07/08) Let advertising in NCR's Spirituality issue increase the number of participants in your spirituality programs and grow purchases of your spirituality products.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2009: April 17 (Closing 03/13/09) NCR readers recycle, use earth-friendly products and support environmental organizations. Advertise in this special issue to reach your target audience.</li> <li>Summer Books: 2009: May 1 (Closing 04/03/09) Summer Listings 2: 2009: May 15 (Closing 03/27/09) Wealth and Responsibility: 2009: June 12 (Closing 05/15/09) NCR's socially responsible readers are interested in your investment opportunities, humanitarian causes, volunteer programs and alternative vacations.</li> <li>Paths to Peace: 2009: August 7 (Closing 07/10/09) Fall &amp; Winter Listings: 2009: August 21 (Closing 08/07/09) Ministries: 2009: September 4 (Closing 08/07/09) NEW: Religious Life 2: 2009: September 18 (Closing 08/21/09) Fall Books: 2009: Ortshare 0 (Closing 09/04/00)</li> </ul>
August 21 September 4 September 18 October 2 October 16 October 30 November 13 November 27 December 11	Special Classified Advertising Sections: Holiday Gifts & Treasures: 2008: October 3, 17, 31 (Closing 09/05/08) 2009: October 2, 16, 30 (Closing 09/04/09) Lent Resource Guide: LENT 2009: December 12, 2008 (Closing 11/21/08) LENT 2010: December 11, 2009 (Closing 11/20/09)	<ul> <li>2009: October 2 (Closing 09/04/09)</li> <li>NEW: Senior Living:</li> <li>2009: October 30 (Closing 10/02/09) <ul> <li>This new special section will be particularly appealing to NCR's mature readers. Advertise your products, programs and services that enhance today's senior lifestyles.</li> <li>Family Life:</li> <li>2009: November 27 (Closing 10/23/09)</li> <li>Spirituality:</li> <li>2009: December 11 (Closing 11/06/09)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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# ELECTRONIC FILING GUIDELINES

# PREFERRED SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS:

Listed below are the best software programs to use to create your digital files in either Mac or PC platform. We can accept your documents by e-mail or on disk.

# BLACK AND WHITE:

Adobe Acrobat, QuarkXPress, Adobe PageMaker, InDesign

# COLOR:

CYMK or ROP (C100 M60) plus BLACK: QuarkXPress, Adobe PageMaker and InDesign Black and white or grayscale images must be formatted as black and white. ROP spot color images must be formatted as CYMK. ROP blue is C100 Y00 M60 K00.

# DOCUMENTS THAT REQUIRE SPECIAL ATTENTION:

Documents created with applications such as Microsoft Word or Works, Microsoft Publisher, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint, Word Perfect or any other word processing/spreadsheet/presentation applications are best used for importing text. They are not designed for layout of documents that will be printed on a printing press. They are not fully capable of color separating the file into the four primary colors (CYMK). Extra time will be necessary for us to reformat/recreate your document and for you to proof the output.

# IMPORTED IMAGES: EPS, TIFF, JPEG

Images imported or placed into a graphics application should be saved as a CYMK, grayscale or lineart (bitmap) image. Image resolution should be 200 dpi for CYMK and grayscale images (photos, graphics with color or shades of gray) and 600 dpi for black and white line art (black and white only). Images downloaded from the Internet are not suitable because the resolution is too low (72 dpi).

# FILE COMPONENTS REQUIRED:

- Font files, including fonts used in graphics
- · Font names and ID numbers must match those used in your document.
- Image files
- Document files 200 dpi PDFs preferred. A faxed sample of the document is required.

# ADOBE ACROBAT PDFS

When creating PDFs <u>all fonts and graphics must be embedded</u> in the file or they will not reproduce correctly.

# PAGEMAKER, INDESIGN AND QUARK FILES:

If you create the document in Adobe PageMaker use the "Save For Service Provider" plug-in that will save a COPY of your original file and assemble and copy all the font files and graphic images you've used in a new folder. InDesign use the "Package" command. QuarkXPress does almost the same thing with its "Collect for Output" command except it doesn't collect the fonts used in the document; you will have to collect them separately.

NOTE:

We prefer electronic files by e-mail. All electronic files are destroyed after 2 years.

# ADVERTISING RATE INFORMATION

*National Catholic Reporter* — a winner of the Catholic Press Association's Award for General Excellence for the past eight years — is a lay operated national newspaper with a readership of approximately 100,000 (in 96 countries and 6 continents). Timely, insightful articles challenge readers who want to know the facts, yet want to form their own opinions as free thinkers in today's church. Our readers have college degrees, purchase products/services seen in *NCR*, have access to institutional funds, travel, are executives, professionals and educators. 60% of our readers are laity and 40% religious or clergy. Along with display and classified advertising, *NCR* accepts inserts, giving you an opportunity to reach our active readership with your own brochures and flyers. Below, you will find size and frequency rates for display, classified, and insert advertisements. (NOTE: Frequency rates below are per ad/per issue.)

# Gross Rates and Sizes

National Catholic Reporter Advertising Specifications

MINIMUM SIZE: Any ad smaller than 1/12 of a page will be placed in the classified section.
 CLOSING DATES: Space reservations must be made 3 weeks prior to issue date. E-mailed ads must be received 18 days prior to issue date.
 STANDARD SIZES: 1 col. width (2 7/16") 2 col. (5 1/8") 3 col. (7 3/4") 4 col. (10 7/16")

**NON-STANDARD:** Ads in non-standard sizes are priced at \$65/col. inch.

**ADVERTISING AGENCIES:** 15% agency commission is allowed on the gross rate for display ads placed by agencies.

**SPECIAL FEATURES:** For more information on special features on our Web site advertising,

call 800-444-8910, ext. 2214 or 2217

**TERMS:** *National Catholic Reporter* reserves the right to reject or cancel advertising for any reason deemed appropriate. *NCR* does not verify promises made by our advertisers.

2008 RATE CARD

Effective 01/01/08

FREQUENCY	1x	3x	6x	8x	12x	15x	20x	26x
BLACK & WHITE Full Page	2,274	2,184	2,067	2,003	1,935	1,866	1,818	1,760
4 col. (10.4375" WID	) x 14.5	5" DEEP						
<b>2/3 Page</b> 3 col. (7.75" WIDE) >	-	-	1,484	1,436	1,389	1,336	1,304	1,267
<b>1/2 Page</b> 4 col. (10.4375" WID 2 col. (5.125" WIDE)	E) x 7.5'	" DEEP	1,193	1,155	1,113	1,076	1,049	1,018
<b>1/4 Page</b> 2 col. (5.125" WIDE) 1 col. (2.4375" WIDE	x 7.5" D		678	652	631	610	594	578
<b>1/6 Page</b> 2 col. (5.125" WIDE) 1 col. (2.4375 WIDE)	x 5" DE		477	461	445	429	419	408
<b>1/8 Page</b> 2 col. (5.125" WIDE) 1 col. (2.4375" WIDE			376	366	355	339	334	323
<b>1/12 Page</b> 2 col. (5.125" WIDE) 1 col. (2.4375" WIDE	x 2.5" D		265	254	249	239	233	228

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# CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

# Text

# FREQUENCY COST PER WORD/ISSUE

1- 5	\$1.25
6 - 11	\$1.20
12 - 20	\$1.15
21 - 26	\$1.10
Blind box num	iber charge \$2.50/issue

# **Closing Dates**

Classified ads must be received 2 weeks prior to issue date. E-mail ads to ncrad@ncronline.org

# Payment

Prepayment required on word-for-word ads. *NCR* accepts MC, Visa, check, and money order. Classified display ads may be invoiced for a one-time invoice fee of \$10.

# **INSERTS**

# Maximum Size 7 1/2" x 10 1/2" (folded or flat)

# Pricing

PAGES	COST PER THOUSAND	
1 - 12	\$90/M	
16 - 20	\$100/M	
24+	\$110/M	
Prices shown are for inserts printed on 30-40# newsprint weight stock or equivalent. Any heavier stock – add \$5/M to prices shown.		
Sample insert piece required prior to insertion for post office approval.		

# ELECTRONIC FILES

Prefer PDF files. Macintosh/Quark Express 3.3 or 4.0, PC/Quark Express 6.5, Photoshop 9.0 or earlier version, PageMaker 7, or InDesign CS2. Graphic files scanned at 200 resolution. For more information see "Guidelines for Electronic Submission" sheet enclosed.

One-time fee of \$15 to format ads that do not meet our specifications.

# Color Charges

ROP (C100/M60) - \$100 Spot color in any other CYMK color - \$200 4-color process - \$600

Color composite PDF in CYMK format required for color ads. No discounts (frequency or agency) on color charges.

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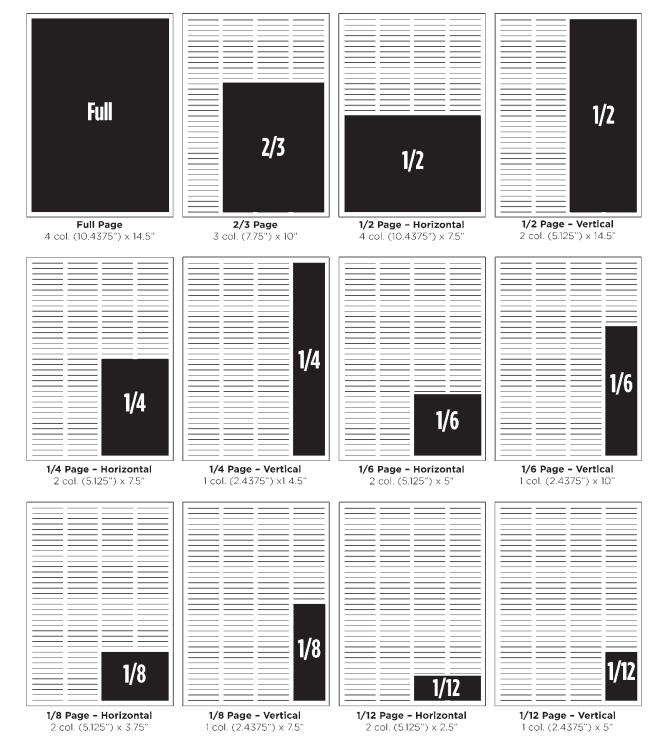
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