CRRA Catholic Newspaper Program (CNP)

• Welcome (Jennifer)
• Overview of CNP and progress report (Pat)
  – ICON Directory
  – Digitization (Laurie)
  – Repository (Betsy)
• Discussion
  – Identify key questions
  – Recommend priority next steps and strategies for implementation

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CNP Groups

- CRRA Board
  - Newspapers TF
  - Scholars Advisory Committee
  - Digital Access Committee
  - Collections Committee
    - Directory Group
    - Repository Group
    - Implementation Advisory Committee (proposed)
    - CRL, Lyrasis, Digitizing Partners
The Catholic Newspapers Program

Provide access to all extant Catholic newspapers in North America

• Directory – CRL’s ICON (Directory group)
  – 800 titles
  – Catholic Newspapers Online
  – (Work with CONSER to describe Catholic newspapers)

• Digitization (Lyrasis and Digitizing Partners)
  – Concept paper
  – 12 priority papers (Handout – Scope)
  – (Digitization agreement)
  – (Standards for scanning newspapers)

• Repository (Repository group)
  – (12 priority papers)
  – (Continued digitization and ingest of existing content)
Timeline for Digitizing Catholic Newspapers (Handout)

October 2013
First meeting with Lyrasis to outline project
First meeting with Digitizing Partners to gauge interest

November-December
Define project scope
Work with Lyrasis to understand what data needed to determine costs
Gathering page counts (partners)
Identify prospective funding targets

January 2014
Work on gathering page counts continues
Work with partners to identify any gaps in papers
Convene the Repository group, identifies costs for various repository options
Complete page counts, add data to spreadsheet
Determine aggregate costs (all papers) and per paper costs
Draft concept proposal for CRRA Board

February-
Concept proposal to Board Feb. 7
Take concept proposal to targeted funding agencies, pending Board approval

Anticipated Summer 2014
Begin preparing materials for shipping to vendor

Next target dates and activities?
Directory questions

• How will having a repository affect our records in ICON? Changes to workflow? How will the two systems interact and complement one another?

• What, if anything, about the Directory will change with the implementation of a repository?

• Where on our priority list is working with CONSER to create records? What is required to make this happen?
Digitizing questions

• Where does metadata come into the workflow? What will be expected of Digitizing Partners, and when?
• Digitization Agreement – is Villanova’s a model for us? How does it work, what have their been particular issues with it? Are there questions the Villanova agreement does not cover?
• Copyright permission and support in general from Bishops. What to ask for, how to approach. Would the digitization agreement be helpful in talking with the diocese? What would a collective strategy and message look like? Do we want a coordinated effort for the USCCB?
• Continuance. Will we continue to provide access to the 12 priority papers, i.e., how will we continue to make available future issues?
• How and where will we promote our scanning standards for newspapers?
Repository questions

• Will there be any security attached to prevent someone from harvesting the material for resale?

• What standards and best practices will we develop in support of the repository? How? When?

• How will the IR be maintained and sustained in perpetuity?

• How important are value-added features such as statements of historical significance and links to Willging on the history of the work?
What else do we need to know and to consider?

Thank you.