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## CRRA Catholic Newspaper Program (CNP)

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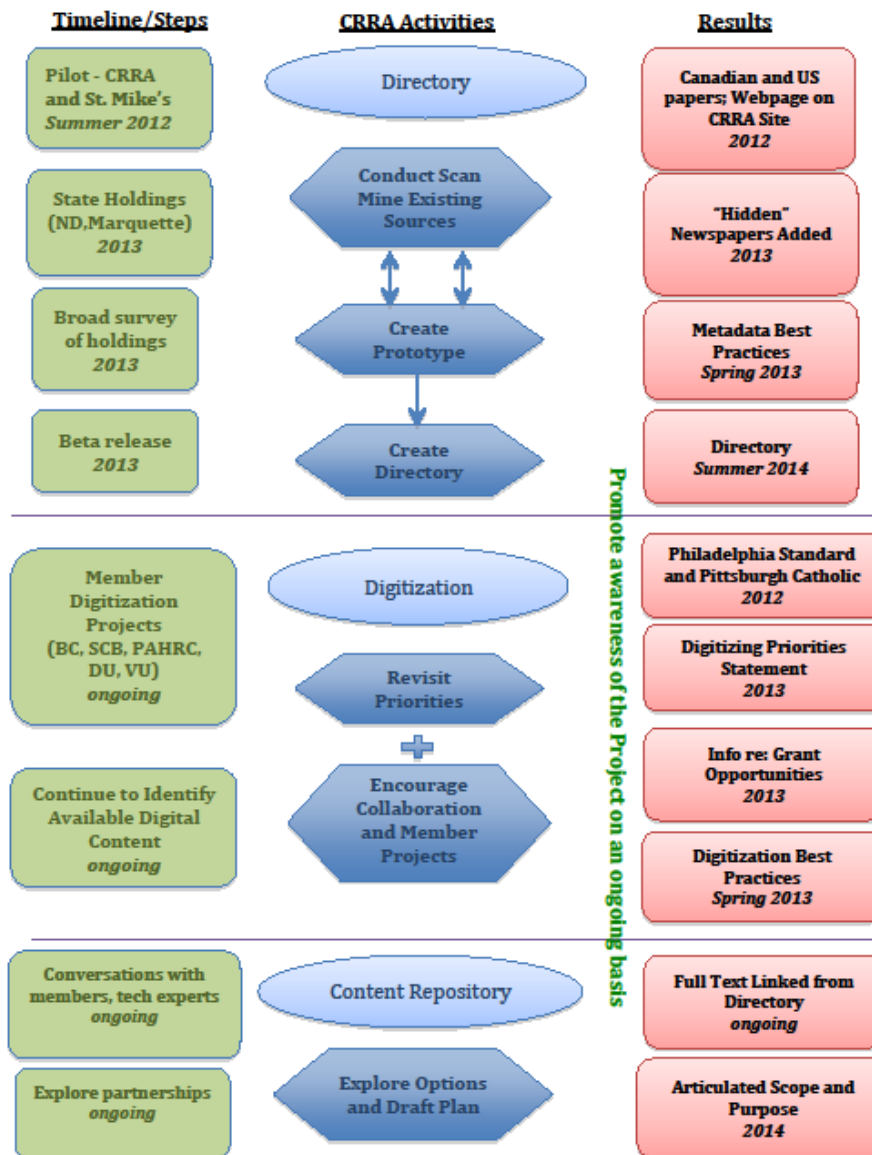
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- Overview of CNP and progress report
- [Catholic Newspapers Online](#)
- Options under consideration by Directory group
- CRRA agenda for moving CNP forward



(June 2012)

### CRRA Catholic Newspapers Program



# CNP Progress report: Digitization

## Digitization: Revisit priorities, Encourage collaboration and member projects

- Scholars Committee identified **priority** papers as: New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Chicago, New Orleans, Miami
- Drafted a [Wiki](#) of **metadata and digitization guidelines** (Rose Fortier, Marquette; Alex Papson, ND)
- Initiated [Catholic Newspapers Online](#) ~50 titles

## Member digitization

- Pittsburgh Catholic, 1844-1900 (Duquesne)✓
- Boston Pilot (Boston College)
- Chicago Catholic New World (DePaul, USMLS, Chicago Archdiocese)
- Philadelphia Catholic newspapers, 1833-1923 including:
  - *The Catholic Standard & Times and The Catholic Herald*, 1866-1923 (Philadelphia Archdiocesan Historical Research Center (PAHRC), Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary, Villanova University)
- Indiana diocesan newspapers (University of Notre Dame), Wisconsin diocesan papers (Marquette)

# CNP Progress report: Directory and Repository

## **Directory (Conduct scan, Create prototype, Create directory)**

- Identified and captured data for ~200 Canadian serials titles (St. Mike's), ~700 US titles (ND) *Summer 2012*
- ACDA Survey, ~55 titles (Shawn Weldon, PARC) *Winter 2012-13*
- Directory platform group *Winter, Spring 2012-2013*
- [Catholic Newspapers Online](#) ~50 titles
- Marquette member survey (Amy Cary, Rose Fortier, Marquette) *Spring 2013*

## **Repository (Explore options and draft plan)**

- Directory platform group *Winter, Spring 2012-2013*

# Newspaper Directory Group

**Charge:** *To identify, explore, and recommend hardware/software solutions for the CRRRA Newspaper Directory*

## **Members:**

- Rob Behary (Duquesne)
- Megan Bernal (DePaul)
- Noel McFerran (St. Michael's, U of Toronto)
- Shana McDanold (Georgetown)
- Betsy McKelvey (Boston College)
- Manda Vrkljan (St. Michael's, U of Toronto)

Advisory: Demian Katz, DAC Chair (Villanova)

# Candidate solutions

- CONTENTdm
- CRL ICON (Center for Research Libraries International Coalition on Newspapers)
- Greenstone
- OCLC Hybrid solution
- Readex
- Veridian
- VuFind/VuDL

# 4 priorities

1. Capacity to create and/or use **clean data (MARC records)** based on **international/national standards**
  - Contribute International Standard Serial Number (ISSN) to ensure Catholic newspapers are identified and included in the global bibliographic database of serials, periodicals and newspapers
2. A **Hosted solution** which does not require additional CRRA technical expertise or capacity to develop or maintain
3. Ability to contribute to and collaborate with other international & national programs/collections (**bigger pond**)
4. **Open access** to both records and digital content

# Finalists: CRL ICON and OCLC

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  - ✓ OCLC
  - ? ICON



# Lyrasis, Reveal Digital



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Offer possible solutions to:

- Funding approaches, models, support
- Directory
- Digitization
- Repository



# Summary table

CRL ICON	OCLC	CRRA	Lyrisis	Reveal Digital
✓	✓	Directory platform	✓	?
✓	✗	Digitization support	✓	✓
✓	✗*	Repository platform	✓	✓
✓	✓	1. MARC records	✓	✓
✓	✓	2. Hosted solution	✓	✓
✓	✓	3. Bigger pond	✓	✓
✓	✓	4. Open access	✓	✓ (eventual)
✓	✗	Funding strategies/support	✓	✓

# CRRA Agenda for Moving CNP Forward

- Identify potential partners for assistance in moving forward
- Directory Group: Adopt a platform and ideally, a repository
- Identify and implement a multi-pronged approach to adding member content to the directory
- Advance digitization collaborations, identify funding opportunities
- Release digitization and metadata guidelines



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