



An estimated 37,000 united for this year's Los Angeles Religious Education Congress March 12-15 at the Anaheim Convention Center. Archbishop José H. Gomez celebrated Mass with more than 15,000 young Catholics on Youth Day.

The faithful — who traveled from many countries and 49 of the 50 states — enjoyed workshops in English, Spanish and Vietnamese and visited hundreds of booths sponsored by Catholic organizations.

This year, Congress participants also wished farewell to Sister Edith Prendergast, RSC, who has served as director of the Office of Religious Education for the last 28 years, and welcomed Father Chris Bazyrous, who will begin as the new director in July.

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