Univision asked Catholics on five continents about some of the issues most important to them and thus, to the Church too, in an eye-opening Global Survey.
DIVORCE

Do you agree or disagree with Catholic Church policy that says: “An individual who has divorced and remarried outside of the Catholic Church, is living in sin which prevents them from receiving Communion?”

AGREE

DISAGREE

NO ANSWER

%
Do you think that Catholic priests should be allowed to marry?
Do you think that women should be allowed to become Catholic priests?

- **NO**: 79%
- **YES**: 18%
- **NO ANSWER**: 3%
Do you think that abortions should be allowed in all cases, allowed in some cases for example when the life of the mother is in danger, or should it not be allowed at all?
CONTRA-CEPTIVES

Do you support or oppose the use of contraceptives?
GAY MARRIAGE

Do you support or oppose marriage between two persons of the same sex?

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Additional countries: Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Mexico, United States.
GAY MARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Do you think that the Catholic Church should perform marriages between two persons of the same sex?

- **NO**: 92%
- **YES**: 7%
- **NO ANSWER**: 1%

**Countries**: United States, Mexico, Colombia, Argentina, Brazil, France, Spain, Italy, Poland, United States, Philippines, Democratic Republic of Congo, Uganda.
ARGENTINA

CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION

INTERMEDIATE POSITION (ONLY APPLIES TO ABORTION)

CONTRARY TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION

NO ANSWER

DIVORCE

MARRIAGE OF PRIESTS

WOMEN BECOMING PRIESTS

ABORTION

CONTRACEPTIVES

GAY MARRIAGE

GAY MARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

% CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION

- 23% of priests
- 32% of marriage
- 20% of abortion
- 7% of contraceptives
- 62% of gay marriage
- 67% of gay marriage in the Catholic Church
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

DIVORCE
3
MARRIAGE OF PRIESTS
22
WOMEN BECOMING PRIESTS
18
ABORTION
4
CONTRACEPTIVES
7
GAY MARRIAGE
2
CATHOLIC CHURCH
99

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION
CONTRARY TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION
INTERMEDIATE POSITION (ONLY APPLIES TO ABORTION)
NO ANSWER
COLOMBIA

MARRIAGE OF PRIESTS

WOMEN BECOMING PRIESTS

DIVORCE

ABORTION

CONTRACEPTIVES

GAY MARRIAGE

CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION

INTERMEDIATE POSITION (ONLY APPLIES TO ABORTION)

CONTRARY TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION

NO ANSWER

COLOMBIA DIVORCE OF PRIESTS MARRIAGE WOMEN BECOMING PRIESTS ABORTION CONTRACEPTIVES GAY MARRIAGE CONTRARY TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION INTERMEDIATE POSITION (ONLY APPLIES TO ABORTION) NO ANSWER CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION...
SPAIN

DIVORCE

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INTERMEDIATE POSITION (ONLY APPLIES TO ABORTION)

NO ANSWER

CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION
FRANCE

- **WOMEN BECOMING PRIESTS**: 3%
- **MARRIAGE OF PRIESTS**: 3%
- **DIVORCE**: 5%
- **ABORTION**:
  - According to Catholic Church position: 32%
  - Contrary to Catholic Church position: 62%
  - Intermediate position (only applies to abortion): 1%
  - No answer: 94%
- **CONTRACEPTIVES**:
  - According to Catholic Church position: 4%
  - Contrary to Catholic Church position: 51%
  - Intermediate position: 62%
  - No answer: 94%
- **GAY MARRIAGE**:
  - According to Catholic Church position: 6%
  - Contrary to Catholic Church position: 6%
  - Intermediate position: 43%
  - No answer: 43%
- **CATHOLIC CHURCH**:
  - According to Catholic Church position: 83%
  - Contrary to Catholic Church position: 17%
  - Intermediate position: 11%
ITALY

- Divorce: 5%
- Marriage of Priests: 57%
- Women Becoming Priests: 15%
- Abortion: 4%
- Contraceptives: 4%
- Gay Marriage: 4%
- Catholic Church Position: 84%

In accordance with the Catholic Church position:

- Contraceptives: 84%
- Gay Marriage: 16%

Contrary to the Catholic Church position:

- Abortion: 4%

Intermediate position (only applies to abortion):

- Contraceptives: 4%

No answer:

- Gay Marriage: 4%

Catholic Church Position: 84%
MEXICO

DIVORCE

MARRIAGE OF PRIESTS

WOMEN BECOMING PRIESTS

ABORTION

CONTRACEPTIVES

GAY MARRIAGE

CATHOLIC CHURCH

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION

CONTRARY TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION

INTERMEDIATE POSITION (ONLY APPLIES TO ABORTION)

NO ANSWER

CATHOLIC CHURCH POSITION
UGANDA

Catholic Church Position

- Marriage of Priests: 27%
- Women Becoming Priests: 2%
- Abortion: 1%
- Contraceptives: 44%
- Gay Marriage: 99%
- Divorce: 1%

In accordance with the Catholic Church position

Contrary to the Catholic Church position

Intermediate position (only applies to abortion)

No answer
UNITED STATES

Marriage of Priests: 5
Divorce: 8
Women Becoming Priests: 5
Abortion: 3
Contraceptives: 6
Gay Marriage: 6
Catholic Church Position: 5
Contrary to the Catholic Church Position: 5
Intermediate Position (Only Applies to Abortion): 6
In Accordance with the Catholic Church Position: 6
No Answer: 6

Catholic Church Position: 35
No Answer: 6
Contrary to the Catholic Church Position: 5
Intermediate Position (Only Applies to Abortion): 6
In Accordance with the Catholic Church Position: 6

How would you rate the job that Pope Francis has been doing since he was elected Pope earlier this year – excellent, good, mediocre, or poor?
Most similar to the Catholic Church’s position are 55 year old and above, married men and women who live in small, rural areas and who attend mass frequently.
CONTRACEPTIVES

Regarding the use of contraceptives, we find no demographic profile that indicates whether a person is in favor or against the use of contraceptives. Furthermore, it is the one subject on which most of the Catholics interviewed differ from the Church’s stated position.

GAY MARRIAGE

The most controversial subject is gay marriage. On average, 5% more women, 18% more young people and 10% more upper and upper middle class members are in favor of gay marriage compared to their counterparts.

SOCIODEMOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS
AFRICAN COUNTRIES
Both African countries, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Uganda, had the most heterogeneous responses — across subjects and demographics — and these responses were most similar to those of the Catholic Church.

SOCIOECONOMIC LEVEL
The U.S. has the biggest differences across socioeconomic classes. 25% more people of the lower class share the Church’s opinion on divorce compared to upper and upper middle classes. The same goes for gay marriage (24%), marriage of priests (19%) and women in the priesthood (20%).
**SOCIODEMOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS**

**GENERATIONAL DIFFERENCE**
Generational differences are most evident in Colombia, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Mexico and Spain. On average and respectively, 12%, 10%, 16% and 11% more people 55 years or older share the Church’s opinion than do young people.

**GEOGRAPHICAL DIFFERENCE**
Geographical differences are most evident in Argentina and Mexico. On average, 15% and 11% more people living in rural areas in both countries share the Church’s opinion than do those living in big cities.
A comprehensive survey of 12,038 self-identified Catholics was conducted in 9 languages, across 5 continents and in 12 countries. The countries included in the study were selected after analyzing the Catholic population distribution and concentration around the world. These 12 countries represent 61% of the world’s Catholic population. The overall margin of error for the global aggregated results is 0.9% at the 95% confidence interval.