

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Script for Mass Announcement

Good Morning/Afternoon/Evening,

My name is _____ and I am the _____ of Branch #_____ of the Italian Catholic Federation here at _____.

The Italian Catholic Federation, also known as the ICF, is an approx. 6,000 member organization founded in San Francisco in 1924. The Federation presently has branches in California, Nevada (Diocese of Reno) and in the Chicago area. Our branch here was established _____ years ago and we are very proud of the role we play within the church and the parish community.

I'm sure you are wondering... Do I need to be Italian to join? We are Italian in origin, but gladly accept Roman Catholics of all backgrounds and ethnicities. Our organization has thrived because of our diversity and all are welcome!

As a Catholic organization, our members enjoy faith and fellowship by supporting our pastor _____ and our parish through various fundraising efforts. We also sponsor spiritual, social and heritage events, because we believe that community interaction is an important way to strengthen our church family.

The main focus and mission of our organization is the support of various parish and religious education programs. Each year a seminary burse is presented to Bishop _____ offering financial support for vocations to the priesthood and our seminarians.

Within the community, we assist those in need; providing grants to persons with developmental disabilities, and college scholarships to students graduating from our local high schools.

We are a family organization; where members of all ages are welcome. We have a family membership plan expressly for this purpose; encouraging the entire family, including your children and grandchildren, to join.

ICF members will be located _____.

We invite you to stop by our table to learn more about the Italian Catholic Federation. Please be sure to check out the flyer in your bulletin and drop by to see us directly after Mass.

From our family to yours, we thank you for your time and look forward to meeting you!