



Regnum Christi chooses to govern itself collegially and to allow lay members to participate by right with a consultative voice and vote.

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- The Statutes of the Regnum Christi Federation will be delivered to the Holy See so that the corresponding ecclesiastical authorities can assess them and request the amendments that they consider necessary in view of its final approval.
- Regnum Christi is formed by the Legionaries of Christ, the Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi, the Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi, and the Lay Members of Regnum Christi. The Statutes presented to the Holy See for approval express the meeting point that these four vocations have discerned together with regard to their charism and common mission, spirituality, members, organization, and government.
- During the last eight years of renewal guided by the Holy See, the Legionaries of Christ have elaborated new Constitutions, the Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi and the Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi have been canonically recognized as Societies of Apostolic Life of Pontifical Right with their respective Constitutions, and the laity have prepared their Rule of Life, a secondary code that depends on the Statutes that will be sent to the Holy See for approval.
- The supreme governing bodies of the three consecrated vocations (the General Chapter of the Legionaries of Christ and the General Assemblies of the Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi and of the Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi), have ratified their desire to establish the Regnum Christi Federation, as well as the Statutes that will be delivered to the Holy See for its consideration and final approval.
- The path of renewal has been a participatory and global process in which, over the course of eight years since 2010, all the members of Regnum Christi from the four vocations have been able to participate, some 22,000 from among the Legionaries of Christ, Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi, Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi, and Lay Members of Regnum Christi.



December 6th, 2018: Regnum Christi asks the Holy See to be recognized canonically as a federation, formed and governed collegially by the Legionaries of Christ, the Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi, and the Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi, with a consultative vote of the laity, who will be individually associated with the Federation. This is how the path that Regnum Christi, guided by the Holy See since 2010, has reached its conclusion, providing itself with a juridical form appropriate to its reality, and Statutes that are now presented to the Holy See so that the corresponding ecclesiastical authorities can evaluate them and request the amendments they consider necessary for its final approval.

The General Statutes express the meeting point of the discernment that the four vocations of Regnum Christi have made together during the process of renewal with regard to their charism and common mission, spirituality, members, organization and government. It has been a participatory and global process in which all Regnum Christi members from the four vocations that make up this ecclesial reality have been involved since 2010, some 22,000 from among the Legionaries of Christ, Consecrated Women, Lay Consecrated Men, and Lay Members of Regnum Christi. The last step was the Extraordinary General Assembly of Regnum Christi, the Chapter, and the General Assemblies held from November 19th to December 6th in Rome.

The words with which Mons. Rodríguez Carballo, OFM, secretary of the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life, addressed the Assembly at the end of the inaugural Mass of the General Assembly resonated with and guided the work of these weeks: "Congratulations, and may Regnum Christi continue working from this moment, if possible with even greater strength as a family united in Christ and in the same charism. Always count on each other, and on the help of Mother Church who will certainly give you her hand as she has given it you from the beginning always and everywhere No one among you can develop his mission in isolation I will always repeat: 'Be United!' The charism is one, although the ways of developing it and living it are diverse."

The Statutes, a meeting point in the renewal process

The General Director of Regnum Christi, Fr. Eduardo Robles-Gil, LC, at the beginning of the General Assembly, affirmed that the Statutes "are one more step towards ecclesial maturity. They mean that we are going forward, towards a greater ecclesial and charismatic fulfillment."

The result of the renewal process represents a real step forward in the self-understanding of Regnum Christi, and there are "several concrete signs that will gradually unfold," which are included in the Statutes, explains the General Assembly in its final message.



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The Regnum Christi Federation, a reality in the Church formed by four vocations: Legionaries of Christ, Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi, Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi, and Lay Members of Regnum Christi.

One of the aspects clarified during this process of renewal is the identity of Regnum Christi as a reality formed by four different vocations (Legionaries of Christ, Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi, Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi, and Lay Members of Regnum Christi) each one of which expresses with its originality the mission and common charism of Regnum Christi.

Joint responsibility

Consequently, the process has concluded that each of the four vocations that form Regnum Christi is jointly responsible for the custody of the common charism. Each one recognizes the value of the autonomy of the other vocations and the importance of its proper canonical expression.

Membership of the Legionaries of Christ in Regnum Christi

During the process of renewal, the inseparable membership of the Legionaries of Christ in Regnum Christi has been confirmed on several occasions, both in the General Chapter of the Legionaries of Christ in 2014 and in the communication of the General Chapter of April 2018 (CCG 2018, 12).

A federation as a canonical form

It has been determined that a federation of coordination and direction is the most appropriate canonical form for Regnum Christi, and means “giving it a more solid canonical configuration than that of the Statutes of 2004 and more in accordance with Regnum Christi's charismatic reality,” explained the General Assembly in its final message.

Collegial government in which lay people participate by right with a consultative voice and vote

The collegiality of the government of the Federation represents an advance and expression of a renewed form of the exercise of authority in the service of the common mission of Regnum Christi. It shows the spirit of communion and the complementarity of vocations, respecting the autonomy of each vocation.

The governing body will be called the General Directive College of the Regnum Christi Federation. It will be formed by the directors of the three consecrated vocations – the Legionaries of Christ, the Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi, and the Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi – and by two lay people with a consultative voice and vote.



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The lay members have expressed the importance of deepening their identity as Lay Members in Regnum Christi and in the Church, seeing "the need to grow in the future towards a greater harmony between the juridical identity and the charismatic reality of Regnum Christi."

Government, direction and management of mission-oriented works

In relation to the government of the apostolic works, the Statutes establish that they can depend on one of the vocations, on several, or on the Regnum Christi Federation itself, and that each work will establish in its corresponding statutes the way it will be governed. The currently existing works will be organized according to the reality of each territory.

A renewed and shared expression of the spirituality

The Statutes contain a renewed and shared expression of spirituality and principles of apostolic action, and clearly delineate the spiritual foundations of Regnum Christi. Its members seek to "give glory to God and make present the Kingdom of God in the hearts of men and in society" (EFRC 7) for their own sanctification and apostolic action.

Unanimous ratification

The Statutes were approved in the General Assembly with 58 votes in favor, 2 abstentions, and 1 against. The General Assemblies of the Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi and of the Lay Consecrated Men of Regnum Christi ratified them unanimously. The General Chapter, for its part, ratified them with 59 votes in favor and 1 abstention.

Resources

- [Photo](#) gallery
- [Communiqué of the Lay Members of Regnum Christi](#)
- [Message of the General Assembly of Regnum Christi](#)
- Statutes of the Regnum Christi Federation with preamble which will be presented to the Holy See for its approval (first version without stylistic corrections)
- [Rule of Life of the Lay Faithful Associated with the Regnum Christi Federation \(pending the approval of the Statutes of the Regnum Christi Federation\)](#)
- All the [documents](#) of the process
- Website of the approval process www.rcstatutes.org
- [Statistics](#) of Regnum Christi in 2017
- Hashtags for social media networks #RegnumChristi2018 #RCassembly2018

Regnum Christi in the world

At the end of 2017, Regnum Christi had 21,300 lay members, 526 Consecrated Women, 63 Lay Consecrated Men and 1,537 Legionaries of Christ.

It also has 11,584 members in ECYD (the Regnum Christi charism lived by adolescents).

There was growth of 4% in the Lay Members last year, and 1.5% in the members of ECYD. One Lay Consecrated Man was incorporated. There was a decrease of 3.7% of the Consecrated Women and 3% of the Legionaries of Christ.

Educational, missionary and social work

In Regnum Christi's educational work (154 schools, 5 international academies, 14 civil universities and 4 ecclesiastical universities), 176,000 students are trained, and thousands of young people and families participate in evangelization missions that celebrated their 25th anniversary this year 2017-2018.

Parishes

In 2017, two new parishes were entrusted to the Legionaries of Christ, for a total of 44 parishes, of which 28 are in Mexico (27 of them in the Prelature of Cancún-Chetumal), 8 in Italy, 2 in France, 2 in Brazil, 2 in the United States, 1 in Argentina, 1 in Canada, and the diocesan sanctuary of Our Lady of Sonsoles in Ávila, Spain. Legionaries and Consecrated Women of Regnum Christi also direct the Magdala Center in the Holy Land.

Evangelization missions

In 2017 - 2018, the evangelization missions of Regnum Christi, which are generally developed through the Mission Youth apostolate, celebrated their 25th anniversary. They are missions at the service of parish priests, both during Holy Week and the summer. There are missionaries from 30 countries: the United States, El Salvador, Venezuela, Chile, Colombia, Brazil, Argentina, Cuba, Ivory Coast, Poland, New Zealand, Australia, Romania, Hungary, Philippines, Canada, Belize, Italy, France, Spain, Mexico, Ireland, Germany, Bosnia, the Bahamas, Lebanon, England, Austria, Belgium and Lithuania.