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Results are based on telephone interviews with a random sample of – 581 – Catholics conducted January 21-February 28, 2019. For results based on this sample of Catholics, the margin of sampling error is ± 5 percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

The Catholic sample is a subset of samples from surveys of U.S. adults, ages 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample of national adults includes a minimum quota of 70% cell phone respondents and 30% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by time zone within region. Landline and cell phone telephone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Gallup obtained sample for this study from Survey Sampling International. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member has the next birthday.

Samples are weighted to correct for unequal selection probability, non-response, and double coverage of landline and cell users in the two sampling frames. They are also weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, population density, and phone status (cell phone-only/landline only/both and cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2018 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the January-June 2018 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2010 census. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls. For questions about how this survey was conducted, please contact galluphelp@gallup.com.

D25. RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE (FOR SCREENING)

1. (*Asked of Catholics*) Please tell me how much confidence you, yourself, have in each of the following -- a great deal, quite a lot, some, or very little? How about -- [RANDOM ORDER]?

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A. Catholic priests in the U.S.

	A great deal	Quite a lot	Some	Very little	None (vol.)	No opinion
2019 Jan 21-Feb 28	20	12	43	23	2	*

B. The priests at your church

	A great deal	Quite a lot	Some	Very little	None (vol.)	No opinion
2019 Jan 21-Feb 28	41	18	24	11	2	3

C. Pope Francis

	A great deal	Quite a lot	Some	Very little	None (vol.)	No opinion
2019 Jan 21-Feb 28	40	18	28	12	1	1

D. U.S. Bishops and other Catholic leaders in this country

	A great deal	Quite a lot	Some	Very little	None (vol.)	No opinion
2019 Jan 21-Feb 28	19	11	42	25	1	1

2. (*Asked of Catholics*) As a result of the recent news about sexual abuse of young people by priests, have you, personally, questioned whether you would remain in the Catholic Church, or not?

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	<u>Yes, questioned</u>	<u>No, have not</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2019 Jan 21-Feb 28	37	62	1
2002 Jun 17-23	22	76	2