



Did You Know That ...

- ‡ When Indiana became a state in 1816, there were 1500 Catholics in Vincennes?
- ‡ In the 1830's, there were only 4 priests who served the 10,000 Catholics in the diocese?
- ‡ The first Catholic church was built in Indianapolis in 1837? (St. John's Church)
- ‡ In 1878 the Bishop transferred his home from Vincennes to Indianapolis?
- ‡ Bishop Chatard was the 5th bishop of Vincennes and the first American-born bishop of the diocese?
- ‡ The patron saint of the diocese is St. Francis Xavier, and his name was given to the Old Cathedral at Vincennes?
- ‡ Chatard, Chartrand, Ritter, and Schulte High Schools were names after bishops of the diocese?
- ‡ In 1967 there were 118 parish schools in the archdiocese and in 1983 there were only 65 parish schools?