

250 Local Christian church and Christian religious orders

Standard subdivisions are added for local Christian church and Christian religious orders together, for local Christian church alone

Class church renewal in 262.0017; class public worship in 264; class missions in 266; class religious education in 268

> 251–254 Local church

Class here local churches in church organization, basic Christian communities

Class comprehensive works in 250

For pastoral care of families, of specific groups of people, see 259

See Manual at 260 vs. 251–254, 259

253 Pastoral work (Pastoral theology)

Class here the work of priests, ministers, pastors, rectors, vicars, curates, chaplains, elders, deacons, assistants, laity in relation to the work of the church at the local level

Class local clergy and laity in relation to the government, organization and nature of the church as a whole in 262.1; class the role of clergy in religious education in 268

.082 Women

Do not use for ordination of women not limited to its effect on the local church; class in 262.14082. Do not use for ordination of women to a specific office; class with the office in 262.1, plus notation 082 from Table 1, e.g., ordination of women as Anglican bishops 262.123082

.086 People by miscellaneous social attributes

.086 5 People by marital status

Do not use for clerical celibacy not limited to its effect on the local church; class in 262.140865

.2 Life and person

Including professional and personal qualifications

Class education of clergy in 230.0711; class guides to Christian life for clergy in 248.892

For qualifications for clerical ordination for groups of people, see 262.1408

.3 Pastoral work (Pastoral theology) by denomination

Add to base number 253.3 the numbers following 28 in 281–289, e.g., pastoral work in Methodist churches 253.37

255 Religious congregations and orders

Class here religious congregations and orders in church organization; monasticism, comprehensive works on Christian religious congregations and orders

When adding from 271 to indicate kinds of orders or specific orders, add only the notation for the kind or order. Do not use the footnote instruction to add as instructed under 271, but add notation from the table under 255.1–255.7 if it applies, or add notation 01–09 from Table 1. For example, the correct number for contemplative orders in the United Kingdom is 255.010941 (*not* 255.01041); for Benedictines in the United Kingdom 255.100941 (*not* 255.1041)

For guides to Christian life for people in religious orders, see 248.894; for religious congregations and orders, monasticism in church history, see 271. For specific types of activity of religious congregations and orders, see the activity, e.g., pastoral counseling 253.5, missionary work 266

259 Pastoral care of families, of specific groups of people

Performed by clergy or laity

Class here pastoral counseling of specific groups of people

Unless other instructions are given, observe the following table of preference, e.g., pastoral care of bereaved young people 259.6 (*not* 259.2):

Pastoral care of the bereaved	259.6
Pastoral care of antisocial and asocial people	259.5
Pastoral care of people with disabilities, with physical or mental illnesses	259.4
Pastoral care of families	259.1
Pastoral care of young people	259.2
Pastoral care of people in late adulthood	259.3

Class comprehensive works on pastoral care of more than one kind of person in 253

See also 253.08 for pastoral care performed by groups of people; also 261.83 for response the church or Christian community should make to alleviate a social problem; also 361.75 for works limited to social welfare work by religious organizations

See Manual at 260 vs. 251–254, 259