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MISSOULA--

Volunteer workers will be visiting homes in Western Montana the week of Sept. 27 in conjunction with a census of the Helena Diocese of the Catholic Church.

The Institute for Social Science Research, University of Montana, Missoula, will conduct the census.

Census information will be obtained only from Catholic families, although the procedure will be to go from house-to-house in each community. Census week will be Sept. 27 to Oct. 4.

Dr. Gordon Browder, a UM sociology professor who is executive director of the Institute, and Larry Halford, research assistant, are coordinating the census. They have been conducting training sessions the past few weeks for the workers who will make the actual door-to-door visits.

"The census is one vital part of a sociological study of the diocese being done by the Institute," Dr. Browder said. "The study is designed to clarify the attitudes and values of Catholics in the diocese, and the sources of change that are influencing those views."

All Catholic families are requested to cooperate with the census takers. Only a few minutes will be required to obtain the information. Those Catholic families that are missed by the census takers are asked to contact their parish priests.

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