



## Liturgical Publications, Inc.

## Moving to Digital Finishing





- The largest printer of church bulletins and other church media in the U.S.
- Serving 7,000 parishes every week
- Multiple production facilities across the U.S.

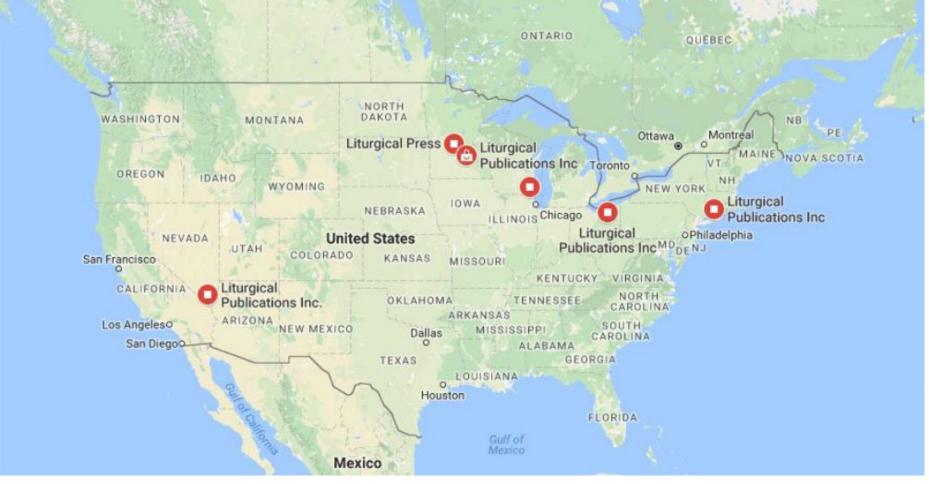


# There is **ONE** absolute about weekly parish bulletins.....

## You have to get them to the Church ON TIME!



#### **LPI's production facilities**





## **Before Digital**





## Seven Narrow web offset presses

Multiple buckle folders



## THREE saddle stitchers





#### **Digital Hybrid Workflow**



### THREE Konica Minolta Cut Sheet printers



### FIVE Duplo 5000 Booklet Makers



#### **Offset Process**



## Narrow Web Offset

# Offset Saddle

Stitch

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Fold to

Signature



#### **Offset Process**

- Average run of 800 bulletins
- Four to Five jobs per hour on average





HP T-230 Continuous Inkjet 20"-wide press runs at 400 f.p.m roll-to-roll





Tecnau Unwinder-Dynamic Perf. unit – stacker & IBIS Interface





#### **IBIS Smart-binder**



HP "T"-series



Tecnau Unwinder Cutter & IBIS Smart-binder







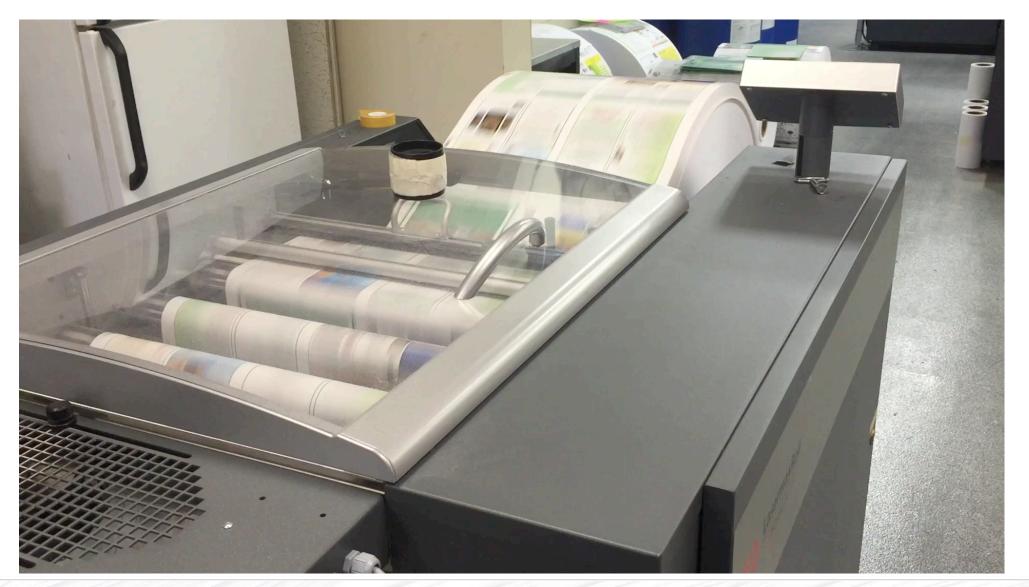
**DOZENS** of jobs per hour in a seamless production process





A single press operator can run TWO HP presses and supply THREE IBIS finishing lines with ONE operator each







According to Ken Hause, Pressroom Supervisor, issues that existed prior to installing the new digital finishing equipment have been resolved.





## "We've seen an increase in uptime, speed, and productivity. A decrease in errors, reprints and overages. We're better able to meet customer deadlines. And.....the equipment needs minimal maintenance".



*"The digital finishing equipment has smoothed out the production process tremendously".* Hause concludes.

*"Integration of the data needed for a given job is via barcode". And because we are running our digital press roll-to-roll, and our average job is 800 booklets, job transitions are seamless."* 



#### The end of the process



The digital platform has been implemented at all of LPI's plants, enabling LPI to continue it's leadership position within the bulletin industry, and to EXPAND into new geographic areas.



#### The IBIS Smart-binder: what can it do?



Sheet input from Tecnau web cutter (or sheet feeder)

- Produces high quality saddle-stitched (or glued) booklets with page-counts variable on-the-fly from 4 to 200 pages
- Individual sheet folding and optional for individual sheet gluing
- **100% booklet integrity** for personalized booklets
  - Web speeds up to 650 f.p.m.



#### The IBIS Smart-binder: what can it do?



Sheet input from Tecnau web cutter (or sheet feeder)

- Output speeds up to **7,000 booklets/hr** (1-up)
- In-line, near-line or off-line operation
- Multiple different binding options (stitching, gluing etc.)



#### **Smart-binder modules**

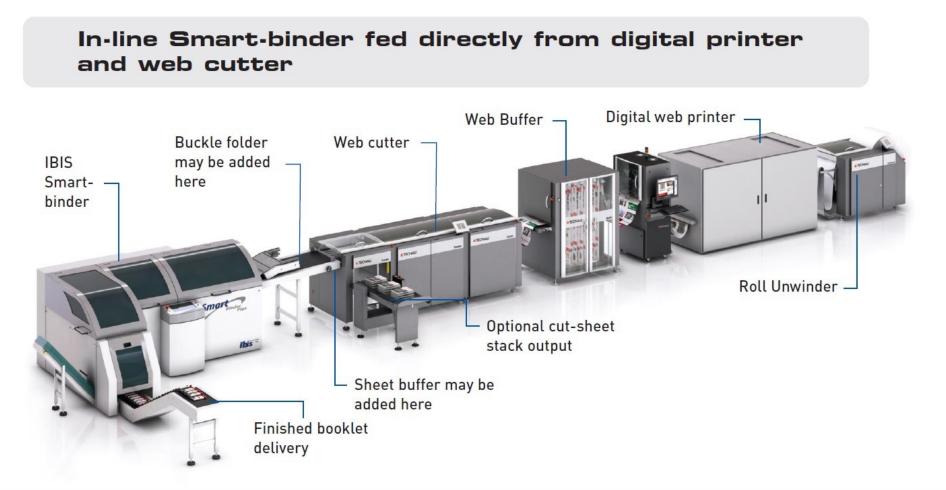


For wire -stitched or ISG cold-glued books up to 10mm thick

IBIS Integrated Bindery Systems Ltd.



#### **In-line Smart-binder**





#### **Near-line Smart-binder**

Near-line Smart-binder fed directly from roll unwinder and web cutter





#### **Off-line Smart-binder**

#### Off-line Smart-binder fed directly from sheet pile feeder



#### SB-095 sheet feeder

Feeds sheets at up to 400 sheets /min Bar code (or 2D code) detection of each sheet. Optional PLT-100 pile loading trolley



#### **Smart-binder market segments**

The Smart-binder is ideal for all **short-run** or **time-critical** printing **Most common Smart-binder Applications** 

- Healthcare and medical insurance
- Exam papers
- Other insurance documents
- o Church bulletins
- Product Manuals
- Legal and Financial documents
- o Government papers
- Music books, Pharmaceutical booklets, short run magazines, etc.



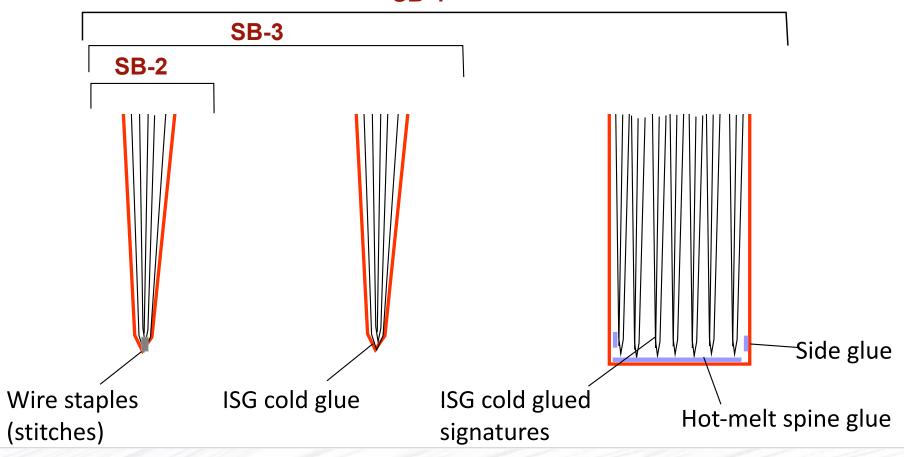






#### **Multiple binding options available**







# Unique, patented ISG (Individual Sheet Gluing)

Produces a booklet with better "lay flat" characteristics – an advantage for mailing operations

Micro-dot pattern of ISG cold glue is applied on the inside of the sheet fold

> Sheets are then collected and pressed together to create a signature, OR "stitchless" booklet





#### **Smart-binder book quality**

72-page booklet made on the IBIS Smart-binder at IPEX 14 (using individual sheet folding and ISG glue binding)



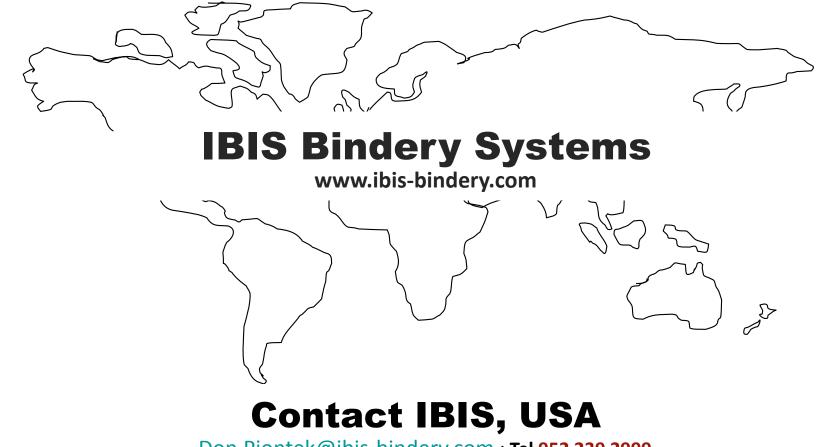
44-page booklet made on the Horizon Stitchliner at IPEX 14 (wire stitched)



#### **IBIS Product Customization**

- The Smart-binder may be customized for individual applications. Special design features will be added as needed.
- The Smart-binder can be integrated with 3<sup>rd</sup>-party systems: envelope inserters, knife folders, stackers, wrappers, tabbers ... and other modules





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