

# CATHEDRAL OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

*2023 Parish Survey Report*



Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc.

Dear Fr. O'Reilly:

Catholic Stewardship Consultants conducted a parish survey for Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament to better understand attitudes and perceptions about various areas of parish life.

Our primary aims were:

- To measure parishioners' understanding of Catholic stewardship — if it is a clear concept, if it is accepted, and how well it is practiced — so we can determine how to effectively develop stewardship at the parish.
- To collect parishioners' perceptions of certain parish programs and organizations so that parish life can continue to improve.
- To gather and analyze general demographic information such as age, marital status and income level to give leaders a better understanding of parishioners.
- To obtain general feedback from parishioners about parish life and make recommendations based on their responses.

To that end, we developed a self-administered survey containing over 60 questions. All parishioners were invited to participate.

In the weeks following the mailing, the parish received 250 completed surveys. 206 were submitted in English and 44 were submitted using the Spanish link.

The results from the survey show that Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament is a vibrant faith community. As we compared the results from this survey with other surveys we have conducted, it is clear that parishioners have a strong loyalty to their parish.

However, the results do show various areas in need of improvement. We offer a number of recommendations in specific areas for the consideration of parish leaders.

As a supplement to the actual survey results and our analysis, the raw data collected is also included in a series of appendices at the conclusion of this report.

We are confident the information in this report will help direct Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament as it continues to develop a strong community. Thank you for the opportunity to serve the parish.

Sincerely in Christ,



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## Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament

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# LITURGY

## Results and Recommendations

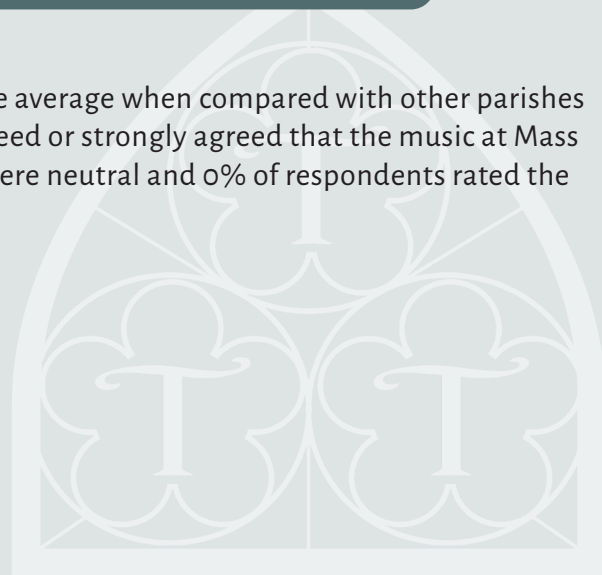
1. 94% of those who completed the survey said that they consider themselves a member of Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. Reported Mass attendance was as follows:

Mass Time	Attendance
Sunday, 8 a.m. (English)	18%
Sunday, 10 a.m. (English)	46%
Sunday, 12 p.m. (Spanish)	20%
Sunday, 2 p.m. (Chinese)	2%
Sunday, 4 p.m. (English)	10%
Sunday, 6 p.m. (Spanish)	4%

2. 80% of the survey respondents indicated that they attend Mass every week. Because of that, we know that opinions in this survey tend to be the opinions of the more active parishioner base.
3. The following chart shows how people who attend different Masses indicated that “the music at the Mass I attend enhances my praise and worship.”

Mass Time	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Sunday, 8 a.m. (English)	76%	16%	8%	0%	0%
Sunday, 10 a.m. (English)	66%	26%	9%	0%	0%
Sunday, 12 p.m. (Spanish)	45%	33%	23%	0%	0%
Sunday, 2 p.m. (Chinese)	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Sunday, 4 p.m. (English)	52%	33%	14%	0%	0%
Sunday, 6 p.m. (Spanish)	56%	33%	11%	0%	0%

4. Respondents’ opinions of the music at Mass are well above average when compared with other parishes we have surveyed. The majority of respondents (88%) agreed or strongly agreed that the music at Mass enhances their worship experience. 12% of respondents were neutral and 0% of respondents rated the music negatively.



# LITURGY

## Results and Recommendations

1. The chart below shows the liturgical ministers rating as “excellent” or “good”:

“Excellent” or “Good”	Liturgical Ministry
95%	Fr. O'Reilly
89%	Fr. Chiu
91%	Fr. Hernandez
94%	Fr. Kiernan
92%	Dcn. Bardales
89%	Dcn. Hilbert
87%	Greeters
88%	Ushers
95%	Altar Servers
92%	Lectors
92%	Music

- All liturgical ministries received high marks from respondents, which is excellent. The liturgical ministers that received the highest marks were Fr. O'Reilly and Altar Servers. The Greeters and Ushers received the lowest marks. While many people rated the Greeters and Ushers as excellent, there were a handful of respondents that felt they need improvement. Consider how Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament can improve these ministries as their main focus is hospitality, which is an important component of parish life and will be essential as we continue to welcome people back to Mass.
  - For some suggestions on how to continue improving the performance of liturgical ministries and ministers, check the answers to the open-ended questions in Appendix B.
2. When asked to give suggestions that will enhance weekend liturgies at the parish, 24 comments were made about the sound system, while 22 comments noted other suggestions for the liturgy. These comments can be found in Appendix B and should be reviewed and considered as options for further improvements.

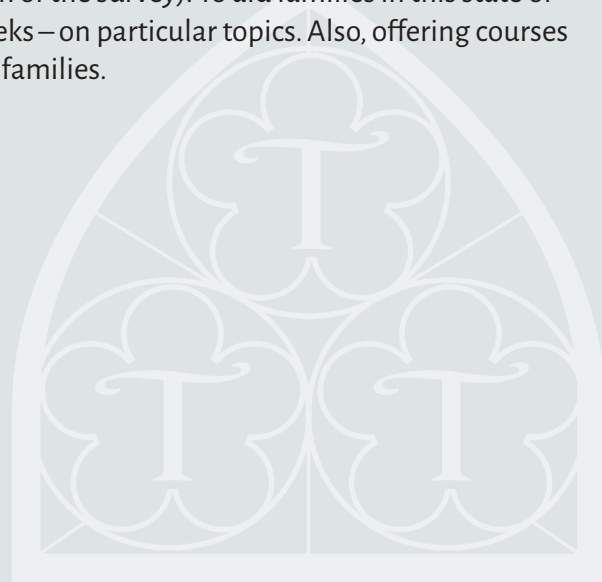




# ADULT FAITH FORMATION

## Results and Recommendations

1. 63% of parishioners said they have attended an Adult Faith Formation program or event at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in the last three years. Attendance at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament's Adult Faith Formation programs is much higher than other parishes we have surveyed (average attendance at other parishes we have surveyed is 36%). This is great and an indication that the cathedral is doing a fantastic job of offering formation options that parishioners are interested in engaging in throughout the year.
2. When asked, "What formation programs have you attended in the last three years", the highest responses were Retreats (37%), Flame Alive (18%), and Adult Bible Study (15%).
3. 74% of respondents indicated that when they attended an Adult Faith Formation program or event at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, it was a good experience.
4. 76% of parishioners who have not attended an Adult Faith Formation program at the parish in the last three years indicated they would consider attending one in the future. We recommend the parish target this group of parishioners and encourage them to attend future Adult Faith Formation programs. Here are a few suggestions to target this group:
  - The most popular time noted by respondents for parish events are: "After the Sunday Mass I Attend", "Saturday evenings", and "Saturday mornings" (this is taken from the "Stewardship of Talent" section of the survey). Ensure that Adult Faith Formation programs and events are scheduled during these times.
  - Advertise for Adult Faith Formation programs and events through *bulletin, email, announcements at Mass, and newsletter/parish mailings*. Respondents indicated that these were the preferred methods of communication.
  - The most popular themes for Adult Faith Formation programs or events were: "Scripture/Bible Study" (57%), "Practical Ways of Growing in Faith and Prayer" (54%) and "Retreats" (46%). These were the preferred themes by both those who have attended an Adult Faith Formation program or event in the past and those who have not.
  - 53% of the respondents stated that "family and work responsibilities" hinder their involvement in parish ministries (taken from the "Stewardship of Talent" section of the survey). To aid families in this state of life, we encourage offering short courses—lasting 4-6 weeks—on particular topics. Also, offering courses via Zoom may make them more accessible to these busy families.



# FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

## Results and Recommendations

1. 42% of respondents noted that they are currently enrolled in the Family Faith Formation program.
2. The following chart denotes how parishioners rate the quality of instruction that students receive in our Family Faith Formation program:

Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
44 %	35%	14 %	7%

3. 65% of those parishioners with children attending Family Faith Formation noted they like that “The children/families learn about their faith” and 62% like the “Director, staff and catechists” the most. Staff and volunteers should be commended for their efforts.
4. The greatest needs for improvement to Family Faith Formation expressed by respondents were: “more training and support for the catechists” (47%) and “getting parents more involved”(45%). Make sure that all catechists receive adequate training so that they are prepared to catechize the youth of the parish. We suggest inviting parents into their child(ren)'s Family Faith Formation program by:
  - Sending students home with take-home materials for parents to gain awareness of what is being taught, and to help educate families.
  - Inviting parents to attend Family Faith Formation class various times throughout the year. This encourages parents to live out their role as primary educators of their child(ren)'s faith.
  - Offering “whole family catechesis” sessions. This is a popular movement that brings entire families together to learn concepts about the faith. This facilitates dialogue within the session and encourages dialogue at home through take-home materials.
4. There were many comments on ways to improve Family Faith Formation at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. These comments can be reviewed in Appendix B.



# PARISH LIFE

## Results and Recommendations

1. Respondents' felt strongly that to be a parishioner at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament one must "attend Mass" (91%). This is excellent and ties in wonderfully with the concept of stewardship, which encourages parishioners to spend time in prayer (of which Mass attendance is primary and will help us to know Jesus more completely). A much smaller percentage felt that supporting the parish financially is important (68%). This is below average when compared with other parishes we have surveyed (average is 87%) and is an opportunity for growth in helping parishioners understand the importance of giving one's treasure back to God through the offertory (which is supporting the parish financially).
2. It is encouraging to see that 70% of respondents felt that sharing their faith with others is important. This indicates that parishioners understand that a full faith life is more than just showing up to Mass each week. A slightly smaller percentage, 62%, felt that it is important to participate/volunteer in ministries and activities. The parish should seek to continue to educate them on the importance of service within the parish as an avenue to grow in their relationship with Christ. Ensure that all parish ministries and activities available to parishioners are clearly communicated. Continue to utilize the newsletter to communicate these opportunities, and also utilize the Stewardship Renewal to further these efforts. Keep working to help leaders understand the importance of welcoming others into their ministry so that parishioners feel that their talents are needed.
3. When compared with other parishes we have surveyed, respondents at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament gave slightly lower scores to the responsiveness of parish office staff members towards parishioners' needs and requests. 73% of respondents feel that the parish office staff is "Very responsive" or "Somewhat responsive" (avg. 81%). 22% of respondents were neutral and 5% of respondents indicated a negative response. Ensure office staff clearly understands their prominent role in parish hospitality.
4. When looking at the question "In your experience, how responsive is our pastor to your needs and requests?" 80% indicated that he was "Very responsive" or "Somewhat responsive." 18% were neutral and only 3% indicated a negative response.
5. When asked "What methods of communication work best for you and your family to receive parish information?" the top responses were Bulletin (62%), Email (57%) Announcements at Mass (53%), and Newsletter/Parish Mailings (48%).
6. 89% of respondents indicated they enjoy receiving the parish's monthly newsletter.
7. The most popular topics parishioners want to read about in the monthly newsletter include "articles about parish groups and activities" (75%) and "comments from our pastor" (67%), which are in line with what we currently offer.
8. 87% of respondents stated they use Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament's website.

# OUTREACH

## Results and Recommendations

The chart below shows the results to the question, “Do you feel that Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament does a good job reaching out to the following groups?”

Outreach Ministry	Yes	No	Unsure
Active Parishioners	72%	6%	22%
Inactive Parishioners	16%	15%	69%
New Parishioners	35%	14%	51%
Shut-in Parishioners	28%	9%	63%
Non-Catholic Spouses	17%	8%	75%
The Local Community	44%	10%	46%
The Poor	70%	4%	26%
Other Christian Churches	20%	9%	71%
Other Religions	15%	9%	76%
Parish Children/Youth	57%	9%	35%

1. Respondents feel the parish is doing the best job of reaching out to active parishioners (72%) and the poor (70%). Staff and volunteers serving in these areas should be commended for their efforts.
2. Respondents indicated that Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament needs the most improvement in reaching out to Other Religions, Inactive Parishioners, and Non-Catholic Spouses. To help reach out to these groups of people we recommend making a point to acknowledge them. This can be done by inviting them to parish events and spiritually enriching opportunities. This will ensure they are welcomed and it will help them understand the faith better. The parish might also consider offering formation opportunities for those of mixed-faith. There are many “reuniting Catholic” programs like Awakening Faith, Catholics Returning Home, etc. An important part of making these programs successful is advertising, providing information and inviting.
3. The table above clearly illustrates how unsure or unaware most parishioners are about how the parish reaches out to various groups in the community. Outreach ministries and/or opportunities, in general, should be publicized more heavily. We suggest not only utilizing internal communication tools – such as in homilies, in the bulletin, on the parish website, via email and in the newsletter – but also through social media.
4. When asked “What more can we do as a parish to reach out to those in need?” the top responses – “Encourage more parishioner participation” (70%) and “Increase communications about parish ministries” (59%) – point to the fact that outreach is the responsibility of the whole parish, not just one or two ministries. It is important to communicate to parishioners that being hospitable is important for every parishioner. As always, ensure ministry leaders and staff are welcoming new members and personally inviting people to get more involved. Lastly, always strive to communicate about ministry opportunities using as many communication avenues as possible.



# STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

## Results and Recommendations

1. When asked for their perception of Stewardship, 78% indicated they either “accept it as a core Gospel value and carry it out in my life” or “think it’s important but find it hard to implement.”
2. 57% of respondents share a meal daily with their family. 68% say grace before meals.
3. For those who are married, 63% indicated they do not pray daily with their spouse at home. As for those with children, 48% stated they do not pray daily with their children (in addition to grace before meals).
  - Based on the low numbers regarding spousal and family prayer, we strongly recommend that the parish emphasize the importance of practicing daily family prayer. This can be done through the newsletter, the bulletin, from the pulpit and any other communication vehicles. Our primary recommendation is to address this in homilies on a more regular basis, challenging parishioners to begin incorporating prayer into their family life. Also, consider adding a ministry that specifically focuses on family prayer. One example would be the Pilgrim Queen of the Family. You can find more details at [pilgrimqueen.org](http://pilgrimqueen.org).
4. 70% of the respondents indicated that in addition to Sunday Mass and grace before meals, they set aside time for daily personal prayer.
5. For those with children, 67% said they discuss vocations (religious life, single life, married life) within their families.
6. 73% of respondents indicated they are currently active in at least one ministry. 49% indicated they are “Very, or Moderately involved.” It is outstanding that a high number of respondents are involved in parish life. Continue to promote opportunities for involvement.
7. When asked if they are satisfied with their current level of involvement in parish ministries, 39% stated they would like to become more involved personally. 42% of respondents indicated they would like their family to become more involved.
8. 58% of respondents noted that they “share their talents with other organizations”. 73% noted that they “use the talents God blessed me within my family”.
9. Based on participants responses, when planning future parish events, please consider the following:
  - Respondents are most likely to attend parish functions scheduled “After the Mass they Attend” (63%), on “Saturday evenings” (39%), or on “Saturday mornings” (35%).
  - 53% of respondents cited “family and work responsibilities” as impeding more participation in parish ministries. We suggest offering an opportunity for childcare for the flexibility of parents. Lastly, consider offering adult events and youth events simultaneously to enable participation.

# TIME & TALENT (CONTINUED)

## *Results and Recommendations*

1. To continue to increase involvement in parish life, we encourage three major ways:
  - a. Increase the value people place on active parish membership, which occurs through deepened personal conversion and/or consistent stewardship education.
  - b. Repeatedly offer concrete opportunities for involvement, most effectively through the parish-wide Stewardship Renewal.
  - c. Personally invite new parishioners, and inactive or semi-active parishioners to functions or ministry meetings. Consider developing a person-to-person “invitation network,” whereby active parishioners invite family, friends and other parishioners to events or ministry meetings. Personal invitation is by far the best way to increase involvement.
2. Continue to emphasize that involvement at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament is not only necessary for the growth of the parish family, but also personally and spiritually enriching. We want to ensure that all ministries are welcoming to new volunteers.
3. There were many responses to the question “I wish Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament would...” that offered unique ideas for ministry life at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. These comments can be reviewed in Appendix B.



# STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

## Results and Recommendations

1. 84% of respondents agree with the statement that “each parishioner is responsible for supporting our parish financially.”
2. 55% of parishioners stated they make financial contributions to their parish “every week”.
3. Parishioners reported various ways of determining the amount of their contributions. We recommend the parish place more emphasis on setting offertory gifts according to a percentage of income. This can be accomplished most effectively through homilies and correspondence from Fr. O’Reilly, as well as formation articles in the newsletter.

Determination of Financial Contribution	Percentage
I give a certain dollar amount based on a percentage of my income.	23%
I have chosen a certain dollar amount in some other way	40%
I base the amount on what I think the parish needs.	2%
I give whatever I can afford that week.	25%
I don't have a system that determines how much I give.	8%
I don't financially support the parish	2%



# TREASURE (CONTINUED)

## Results and Recommendations

1. The following chart illustrates parish members' perception of the parish's financial position:

Perception of Financial Position	Percentage
We are easily able to pay our operating bills and put aside money in savings.	7%
We are easily able to pay our operating bills.	5%
We barely generate enough revenue to pay our operating bills.	28%
We are not generating enough revenue to pay our operating bills.	15%
I am unaware of the state of our parish finances.	45%

- As evidenced in the chart above, it is clear that many parishioners are unaware of the state of the parish finances. It is vitally important to be transparent and share this information with parishioners. People are more willing to financially support an institution and increase their gift when they understand the financial situation and feel there is transparency (whether it is a positive or negative report). We encourage you to provide brief financial reports quarterly in the newsletter or bulletin. We also recommend posting this on your parish website. Be sure to include information on monies that the parish has donated to various causes.
- Generally, pastors speak too infrequently about money in the proper manner; that is, they speak too seldom about the wise and just management of financial resources, the negative effects of materialism, and the use of money in accord with scriptural teaching. We urge all homilists to preach a holistic message about the role of money in modern life, in which Church giving is presented matter-of-factly as a normal part of Christian money management.
- From a stewardship perspective, we recommend that homilists preach about financial giving as a gift given from one's "first fruits," not from the excess or what is left over. Offertory giving should be explained as an expression of an individual's gratitude toward God for the gifts that have been – and will continue to be – received. Too often, homilists mistakenly explain offertory giving in terms of what is owed to the parish, or each family's responsibility toward the wellbeing of the community. We encourage Fr. O'Reilly to speak on this facet of stewardship while maintaining the holistic message of stewardship. Ensure this is done multiple times throughout the year and not just during the Stewardship Renewal season.

# DEMOGRAPHICS

## Results and Recommendations

1. Over half of respondents who completed the survey were female (59%) and 55% of respondents were married.

GENDER	
Male	30%
Female	59%
Household	11%

MARITAL STATUS	
Married	55%
Widowed	4%
Single	27%
Divorced	10%
Separated	3%

2. 26% stated they have been parishioners for three years or less. It is fantastic to see such growth! We encourage the parish to ensure ministries relating to newcomers and hospitality are thriving. It is important for newcomers to feel they belong, as feelings of belonging typically lead to active parish involvement.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?	
0-1 Year	10%
2-3 Years	16%
4-5 Years	10%
6-10 Years	17%
11-20 Years	23%
More than 20 years	17%
Not registered	6%

3. The average annual household income of respondents is \$95,148.

ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME	
\$0 - \$9,999	1%
\$10,000 - \$29,999	13%
\$30,000 - \$49,999	20%
\$50,000 - \$59,999	7%
\$60,000 - \$69,999	8%
\$70,000 - \$99,999	14%
\$100,000 - \$199,999	28%
\$200,000 and above	10%

4. These responses represent a good cross-section of the various age groups in the parish. It is encouraging to see this diversity in the responses.

AGE (AVERAGE 55 YEARS)	
18-29	5%
30-39	15%
40-49	18%
50-59	23%
60-69	18%
70+	23%



# OPEN FORUM

## Results and Recommendations

Parishioners were asked two open-ended questions that generated responses on a wide range of issues. In order to better understand the large number of responses, we read every comment and divided the answers into categories based on content.

“The things I like best about Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament are...” (top comments)

Strengths...	Number of Comments
Building and environment	52
Clergy and staff	45

“I wish Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament would...” (top comments)

Weaknesses...	Number of Comments
Additional ministries	32
Building/grounds suggestions	21

Appendix B includes each individual comment that was made to an open ended question. They have been organized under various headings. It is important to review these comments to better understand the results of the parish survey and to help address problems and formulate new ideas. We suggest that you share these comments only with those to whom it is necessary. It is also important that those individuals keep those responses confidential.



# APPENDIX A

## *Survey with Percentage Results*



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# Liturgy

Which Mass at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament do you most frequently attend?

- 18% Sunday, 8:00 a.m. (English)
- 46% Sunday, 10:00 a.m. (English)
- 20% Sunday, 12:00 p.m. (Spanish)
- 2% Sunday, 2:00 p.m. (Chinese)
- 10% Sunday, 4:00 p.m. (English)
- 4% Sunday, 6:00 p.m. (Spanish)

How often do you attend Mass at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament?

- 52% Almost every weekend
- 25% Every weekend and some weekdays
- 3% Every weekend and every weekday
- 15% Occasional weekends (once or twice a month)
- 3% Seasonally (Christmas, Easter, etc.)
- 2% I no longer attend Mass

I consider myself a member of...

- 94% Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament
- 6% Another church

Please indicate how well the following liturgical ministers enhance your prayer and worship.

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Needs Improvement</u>
Fr. O'Reilly	82%	13%	3%	1%
Fr. Chiu	49%	40%	4%	7%
Fr. Hernandez	64%	27%	7%	2%
Fr. Kiernan	54%	40%	5%	2%
Dcn. Bardales	53%	39%	5%	2%
Dcn. Hilbert	54%	35%	8%	3%
Greeters	56%	31%	9%	4%
Ushers	53%	35%	9%	4%
Altar Servers	72%	23%	2%	3%
Lectors	55%	37%	4%	4%
Music	74%	17%	4%	4%

The music at the Mass I attend enhances my prayer and worship.

- 62% Strongly agree
- 26% Agree
- 12% Neutral
- 0% Disagree
- 0% Strongly Disagree

Do you have any suggestions to help enhance our Sunday liturgies?

Top responses:

- Sound system (24 comments)
- Liturgy suggestions (22 comments)

# Adult Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation

What formation programs have you attended in the last three years? **(Multiple responses allowed)**

- 15% Adult Bible Study
- 10% Divine Mercy Devotion
- 5% Marian Devotion
- 5% Adult Confirmation Preparation
- 12% Adult RCIA Sacramental Preparation
- 18% Flame Alive
- 4% Marriage Preparation
- 7% Baptismal Preparation (Parents/Godparents)
- 37% Retreats
- 37% None

If you have attended an Adult Faith Formation program at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in the last three years, was it a good experience?

- 74% Yes
- 26% No

If you haven't attended an Adult Faith Formation program at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in the last three years, would you consider attending one in the future?

- 76% Yes
- 24% No

If you would like to attend an Adult Faith Formation program, in which areas would you be most likely to participate? **(Multiple responses allowed)**

- 43% Church Teachings
- 57% Scriptures/Bible Study
- 29% Ethics and Morality
- 25% Marriage
- 30% Small Faith Sharing Groups
- 54% Practical Ways of Growing in Faith and Prayer
- 46% Retreats

## Family Faith Formation

*(Kindergarten - 12th Grade)*

Has your family been involved in Faith Formation in the last three years?

- 35% Yes
- 65% No

Are they currently enrolled?

- 42% Yes
- 58% No

As a Catholic Family, what is one thing we can do to help you grow confident in faith?

- 26% Teach me how to pray
- 28% Instill an appreciation of the Sacraments
- 17% Help me teach the faith at home
- 29% Offer family activities

*The following questions were answered only if one's child/children are currently enrolled in our Family Faith Formation program.*

How would you rate the quality of instruction that our students receive in our Family Faith Formation program?

- 44% Excellent
- 35% Good
- 14% Fair
- 7% Poor

Do you feel that the instruction provided by our program is in line with the teaching of the Catholic Church?

- 85% Yes
- 2% No
- 6% Somewhat
- 6% Unsure

What do you like most about our program?

**(Multiple responses allowed)**

- 62% Director, staff and catechists
- 46% The families involved
- 65% The children/families learn about their faith
- 23% Meeting times
- 14% Other

How do you think we can improve our program?

**(Multiple responses allowed)**

- 45% Get the parents more involved
- 15% Change the time
- 46% More training and support for the teachers
- 38% Improve the curriculum
- 31% Other

## Parish Life

What is your perception of your role as a member of Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament?

**(Multiple responses allowed)**

- 91% To attend Mass
- 62% Participate/volunteer in ministries and social activities
- 68% Support the parish financially
- 70% Share my faith with others
- 9% Other

In your experience, how responsive is our pastor to your needs and requests?

- 57% Very responsive
- 23% Somewhat responsive
- 18% Neutral
- 2% Unresponsive
- 2% Very unresponsive



In your experience, how responsive is the parish office to your needs and requests?

- 47% Very responsive      3% Unresponsive
- 26% Somewhat responsive   2% Very unresponsive
- 22% Neutral

What methods of communication work best for you and your family to receive parish information?

**(Multiple responses allowed)**

- 62% Bulletin      15% Facebook      31% Website
- 57% Email      8% WhatsApp      27% Text
- 48% Newsletter/Parish Mailings
- 21% Flocknote
- 53% Announcements at Mass

Did you enjoy receiving our parish's monthly newsletters?

- 89% Yes      11% No

What information do you want included in our monthly newsletter? **(Multiple responses allowed)**

- 75% Articles about parish groups and activities
- 67% Comments from our pastor
- 38% Highlights on various parishioners
- 41% Information on the finances of the parish
- 45% Diocesan-wide news
- 51% Articles of general Catholic interest
- 61% Explanations of specific Catholic teachings

Do you use our parish's website?

- 87% Yes      13% No

## Outreach

Do you feel that Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament does a good job reaching out to the following groups:

	Yes	No	Unsure
Active Parishioners	72%	6%	22%
Inactive Parishioners	16%	15%	69%
New Parishioners	35%	14%	51%
Shut-in Parishioners	28%	9%	63%
Non-Catholic Spouses	17%	8%	75%
The Local Community	44%	10%	46%
The Poor	70%	4%	26%
Other Christian Churches	20%	9%	71%
Other Religions	15%	9%	76%
Parish Children/Youth	57%	9%	35%

What more can we do as a parish to reach out to those in need? **(Multiple responses allowed)**

- 59% Increase communications about parish ministries
- 70% Encourage more parishioner participation
- 39% Be more welcoming
- 53% Get more involved in the community

## Stewardship

What is your perception of Stewardship (Time, Talent, and Treasure) when it is discussed?

- 60% Accept it as a core Gospel value and carry it out in my life
- 12% Don't really understand what it means
- 18% Think it's important, but find it hard to implement
- 2% Feel it's not applicable in my life
- 8% Feel that it's just another way to discuss fundraising

### Stewardship of Time

How often does your family share a meal?

- 57% Daily
- 22% Several days a week
- 8% Once a week
- 13% Less than once a week

Do you say grace before meals?

- 68% Yes      32% No

If you have children at home, do you pray with them on a daily basis (in addition to grace before meals)?

- 52% Yes      48% No

If you are married, do you pray with your spouse on a daily basis (in addition to grace before meals)?

- 38% Yes      63% No

In addition to Sunday Mass and grace before meals, how often do you set aside time for personal prayer?

- 70% Daily
- 23% Weekly
- 2% Monthly
- 2% Every few months
- 3% Never

If you have children, do you discuss vocations (Religious Life, Single Life, Married Life) within your family?

- 67% Yes
- 33% No

### Stewardship of Talent

In how many parish ministries, committees, programs or events are you actively involved?

- 27% 0
- 29% 1
- 20% 2
- 8% 3
- 16% 4 or more

Beyond participating in weekly Masses, how do you rate your involvement in Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament?

- 18% Very involved
- 31% Moderately involved
- 26% Somewhat involved
- 16% Rarely involved
- 10% Never involved

What single reason (if any) has most prevented you from more participation in parish ministries?

**(Multiple responses allowed)**

- 6% Not interested in what the parish offers
- 20% Health issues
- 22% Usually unaware of opportunities within the parish
- 53% Not enough time due to family and work responsibilities
- 11% Transportation
- 17% Haven't yet made the effort to get involved
- 4% Lack of babysitting services

Are you satisfied with your PERSONAL level of involvement in parish ministries?

- 61% Satisfied with my current level of involvement
- 39% Would like to become more involved

Are you satisfied with your FAMILY'S level of involvement in parish ministries?

- 58% Satisfied with current level of involvement
- 42% Would like to become more involved

At what times would you most likely be able to attend parish functions? **(Multiple responses allowed)**

- 35% Saturday mornings
- 39% Saturday evenings
- 63% After the Sunday Mass I attend
- 18% Sunday evenings
- 14% Weekday mornings
- 20% Weekday afternoons
- 33% Weekday evenings

I use the talents God blessed me with:

**(Multiple responses allowed)**

- 56% In my parish
- 73% In my family
- 59% In our community
- 5% I do not use my talents

Do you share your talents with other organizations, such a charitable organization, etc.?

- 58% Yes
- 42% No

### Stewardship of Treasure

Each parishioner is responsible for supporting our parish financially.

- 49% Strongly agree
- 35% Agree
- 14% Neutral
- 1% Disagree
- 1% Strongly disagree

How often do you make financial contributions to Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament?

- 55% Every week
- 8% Every other week
- 19% Once a month
- 14% Monthly (for all the weeks in the month)
- 5% Never

My household's gross annual financial contribution to the parish offertory represents:

- 10% 0% of my annual income
- 32% 1% - 2% of my annual income
- 18% 3% - 4% of my annual income
- 16% 5% - 6% of my annual income
- 10% 7% - 8% of my annual income
- 8% 9% - 10% of my annual income
- 5% 11% or more of my annual income

How do you determine the amount you contribute in the offertory collection?

- 23% I give a certain dollar amount based on a percentage of my income.
- 40% I have chosen a certain dollar amount in some other way.
- 2% I base the amount on what I think the parish needs.
- 25% I give whatever I can afford that week.
- 8% I don't have a system that determines how much I give.
- 2% I don't financially support the parish.

What is your perception of our parish's current financial position?

- 7% We are easily able to pay our operating bills and put aside money in savings.
- 5% We are easily able to pay our operating bills.
- 28% We barely generate enough revenue to pay our operating bills.
- 15% We are not generating enough revenue to pay our operating bills.
- 45% I am unaware of the state of our parish finances.

In addition to the parish, I contribute to charities and other needy organizations.

- 44% Yes, on a regular basis
- 41% Yes, occasionally
- 14% No

## Demographics

Gender?

- 30% Male
- 59% Female
- 11% Husband and Wife Completed Together

Marital Status **(Check one)**

- 27% Single
- 55% Married
- 4% Widowed
- 10% Divorced
- 3% Separated

What is your annual household income?

- 1% \$0 - \$9,999
- 13% \$10,000 - \$29,999
- 20% \$30,000 - \$49,999
- 7% \$50,000 - \$59,999
- 8% \$60,000 - \$69,999
- 14% \$70,000 - \$99,999
- 28% \$100,000 - \$199,999
- 10% \$200,000 and above

Age **(More than one box selected if husband and wife completed the survey together)**

- 5% 18-29
- 15% 30-39
- 18% 40-49
- 23% 50-59
- 18% 60-69
- 23% 70+

How long have you been a registered parishioner at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament?

- 10% 0-1 year
- 16% 2-3 years
- 10% 4-5 years
- 17% 6-10 years
- 23% 11-20 years
- 17% More than 20 years
- 6% Not registered

What is your language preference?

- 80% English
- 19% Spanish
- 1% Chinese
- 0% Other

# General Information

The things I like best about Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament are...

Top responses:

Building/environment (52 comments)

Clergy/staff (45 comments)

I wish Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament would...

Top responses:

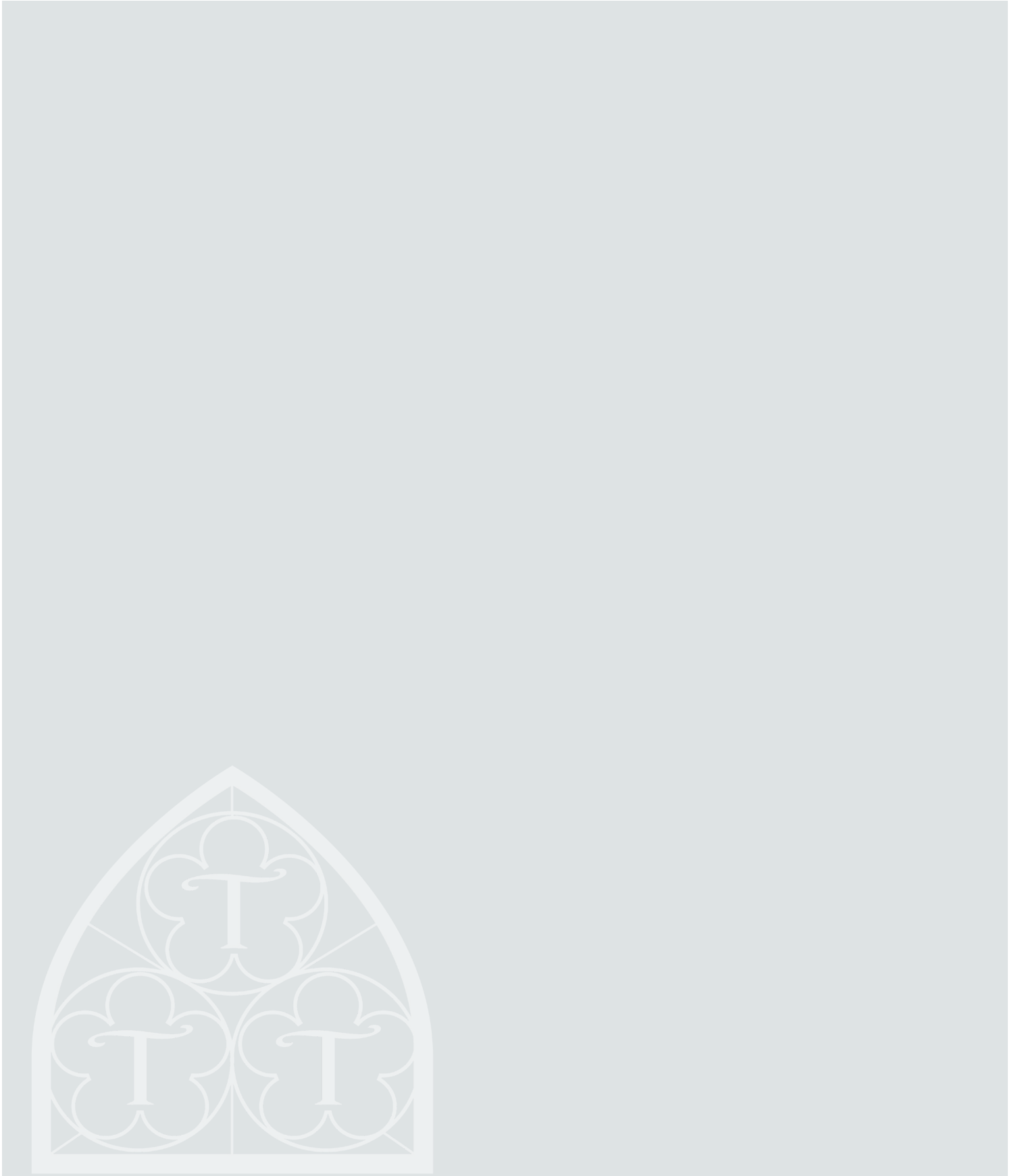
Ministries/Activities suggestions (32 comments)

Building/grounds suggestions (21 comments)

# APPENDIX B

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## *Written Responses - Organized by Category*





## Do you have any suggestions to help enhance our Sunday liturgies?

### Sound System (24)

1. Maybe have priests and deacons unfamiliar with our church practice speaking slowly and clearly to be heard better over the microphones with the acoustics in the large cathedral. It is sometimes hard to understand what they're saying during the homily.
2. I see that there are bigger speakers. However, I can't hear the homilies, the words run together. I do have hearing aides, but maybe the priest is speaking too fast. I will change position and see if it helps, so far it hasn't. I really love the mass and the homilies if only I could hear them better. Thank you and God Love You
3. S - Can't hear very well in the back, you need to improve the sound or the speakers to be able to hear well,
4. S - First fix the sound because it is very difficult to understand what is being said I would recommend improving the sound system, the lectors and choir sometimes sound a bit muffled
5. S - The sound sometimes affects that you do not understand the readings or the homily
6. S - Raise the volume of the speakers
7. The speakers are sometimes very echo to where sometimes we can't understand fully.
8. The sound system needs improvement.
9. I can't understand what is being said through the sound system sometimes.
10. Sound system need to be repaired. Speakers are too bulky. Sound doesn't reach all areas of the church.
11. Acoustics make it difficult to understand the homilies.
12. Sometimes it's hard to hear everything because the acoustics are echo-y
13. Sometimes the microphone from the pulpit is not clear enough.
14. A new and improved sound system would greatly enhance the Sunday Liturgy.
15. The speakers and mics all over the altar can be distracting. I really hope this can be fixed soon.
16. Better sound system.
17. The Cathedral needs a professional sound system. Can we have a special donation or collection to support this? The homilies and readings need to be heard by everyone.
18. Better acoustics
19. Sound system needs improvement very much. Hard to make out the words at mid-point of the pews.
20. A better sound system. Disappointed that it has been difficult to hear with clarity. If the ordering a piece for the sound system is the delay, perhaps it is imperative to get a whole new sound system where replacement is more expedient.
21. I would recommend improving the sound system, the lectors and choir sometimes sound a bit muffled
22. S - Microphones for the choir. We don't hear them, only Gerardo.
23. S - Turn down the mic for the choir's lead vocals so the choir can be heard better and people can participate more
24. I am hearing impaired and must follow mass on the broadcast (a 15 second delay and very confusing.) Shouldn't there be some ADA consideration?

### Mass/Liturgy suggestions (22)

1. Once or twice a year have an explanatory Mass. Also reminding parishioners of the importance of personal preparation before Mass.
2. What can we do to encourage more people to sing and participate in the responses at Mass? A Mass class perhaps...inviting and letting people know that they are there to actively worship not just sit back and watch or be entertained. But how would we get people to come to it? Unless we help more people to really understand what is happening in the liturgies - the Mass in particular, making changes to it won't necessarily help.
3. Provide handouts on the liturgies and the prayers
4. Having the children go downstairs as in the past. I try to explain mass to her, but concerned disturbing others. But, discuss after mass.
5. Consider a Children's Mass, Youth Mass
6. Please don't combine English mass with Spanish because I do not understand. Focus in the main current events make the mass clear and precise just like how Father Murphy does it.
7. TO PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES THAT HAVE PASS AWAY FOR THERE SINS TO BE FORGIVEN BY GOD JESUS CHRIST AND THE NAME TO BE SAID IN PURGATORY TO ENTER THE GATE OF HEAVEN WITH GOD
8. Ad orientem
9. Love the use of incense and the singing at the consecration.
10. I am more of a traditional worshiper. I really love the more traditional Mass.
11. I really love the livestream, for I have been really ill.
12. I used to attend the weekday services (at noon). I stopped going because the services went too far left-leaning -- leaving me a little disillusioned with the church. I want to start attending again -- and I am hopeful things have changed. We will see! Thanks for at least having a survey to get honest feedback. I appreciate that.
13. Consecrate in individual ciboriums to avoid abuse of abruptly moving the Body of our Lord from a large ciborium to 6 small ones.
14. Eliminate applause that only distracts from prayer.
15. Give announcements before the homily so as not to distract the prayer of the faithful after communion.
16. slightly less incense
17. I would like to see the return of the vigil mass.
18. Bring back the Saturday vigil mass. We go elsewhere for this mass now.
19. Simplify.
20. There is too many papers to follow along with at mass. I wish there was less paper.
21. Maybe there could be a confession during mass for the people that haven't gone to confession during the week. So on Sunday while they're in church they can go to confession to receive the body of Christ.
22. More time for confessions, more days and times.

### Improve/Change Music (10)

1. Music is beautiful. Ever try a folk mass?
2. Clap and sing with song - The Power, Denise Wyans, Let's brake some chains
3. Do singable music so we can fully participate at Mass
4. Maybe the occasional choir chanting before Mass during Ordinary time? I think it might be nice.
5. The music at the cathedral is preferred to most of the parishes.
6. sing more traditional hymns
7. I also love more traditional mass music.
8. While it is very appropriate to use the liturgical text prescribed in the missal (Antiphon & verses, etc), I would appreciate standard hymns occasionally to promote congregational singing at the Entrance.
9. put variety in the chorus
10. Install the new organ.

### Liturgical Ministers (7)

1. S - Improve practice for readers before proclaiming.
2. S -More training in the liturgical ministries and choirs
3. S - Significantly reduce the excessive use of extraordinary ministers of communion.
4. Eliminate the use of chlorine towels for those who receive in the mouth.
5. Invite boys to be altar servers to avoid the misuse of girl altar servers.
6. I believe more reverence in our altar servers would be a wonderful thing. They are really seen by the congregation and set an example for the rest of us.
7. The only suggestion for improvement I have is: While the altar servers know what they are doing, some (especially those responsible for the incensing) spent too much time stirring up the incense container, which becomes a distraction for me (and possibly others) and takes their own attention away from what's going on at the altar.

### Better Communication (5)

1. I propose an information board at the entrance.
2. more communication and camaraderie amongst volunteers.
3. Explaining some weekly differences around the church very briefly in the bulletin (like why statues are draped or why the Easter candle is out). It's interesting, but people don't always know why it's being done.
4. I really enjoy flocknote
5. Perhaps some kind of bio pic on website or bulletin of Deacons and Priests so parishioners can put a face to the name. I know Father Riley and Deacon Omar, but the rest of the clergy is sort of mysterious to me with many visiting priests that the Cathedral enjoys.

### Building & Facilities (4)

1. We would love to see that the Cathedral would allow us, especially in the Spanish Community that knows and specializes in all kind of work, maintenance, repairs, to help with just that. We understand that the Cathedral is in need of many repairs, church

pews, cleaning, outdoor pressure washing, bathroom plumbing, etc... and we would absolutely love to help because our Church is our second home. Please allow us to help as many in the community are willing. Thank you.

2. The stairs need to be washed.
3. Need the cathedral more clean
4. Increased security due to homelessness issue. Downtown is dangerous now.

#### Homilies (2)

1. Homilies to impart more theological content to parishioners
2. More time for homilies for me is important.

#### No Suggestions (21)

1. S - For me, I have attended the cathedral for more than 20 years and it is always better, I always love the Rosary before mass and the mass is excellent. I feel happy whenever I attend by myself. I just wish to congratulate everyone for the harmony and service of those that organize the mass
2. You all are amazing
3. Keep up the good work!
4. I am very happy with our church
5. I am satisfied with what's going on at the mass at 8:00.
6. Not sure how
7. Not at this time
8. none
9. None
10. None
11. None
12. none
13. No
14. No
15. no
16. No
17. N/A
18. N/A
19. N/A
20. N/A
21. N/A

#### Misc. (12)

1. S - Even though times are difficult, it would be good to invite the parishioners to be aware that we have an encounter with God and have more respect, come dressed better, no cellphones for children to keep them entertained. Respect for God must be instilled in them from an early age.
2. S - That all those who are part of the different service groups are more accessible to all the parishioners.

3. S - Welcome those that are arriving
4. I feel catholic religion so structured sometimes it get my children lost, don't pay attention. I do appreciate the structure myself sometimes I enjoy others make me feel like ok I done for the month or few weeks. Funny I tell myself we are going every weekend ended up going 1 2 times a month. I is easier to listen and understand when we can relate to what ever the topic is about. In May way to make relate to our lives. Or currant life
5. When we even if I go to mass and didn't care for that mass I still get a good feeling after I leave no matter what. Try to be better person for rest of week. Gives something. Can't put a name to it
6. Second collections with unattended basket by doorways: afraid to place money for fear someone cruel will take it.
7. Sometimes, I attend 10:00 o'clock mass.
8. I shared in a recent thank you letter to Father O'Riley, how important the availability of online availability of liturgy has been, given health struggles as well as availability of a Eucharistic minister that comes to my home when I am unable to attend Mass due to health reasons... These services have been invaluable. When father has time, I would be most grateful if he would read my letter.
9. Social/casual events after mass, meet community members, nothing too structured, just the space opportunity and promotion
10. The cathedral seems cold/spiritually & unwelcoming. I don't feel any benefit to being a member of the church. I'm just a name on some tithing envelopes.
11. I live in Carmichael, CA and don't often get the opportunity to attend Sunday Mass as much as I would like however, since I work downtown, I do attend Mass at 12:10pm and go to confession monthly.
12. "Yes!! have more faiths Buddhism, Islam, Hare Krishna!! devotees!!, etc have their own Mass/ Faith Ceremonies on Sundays or any day of week in the Cathedral of Blessed Sacrament!! There is plenty of room on Sundays and the rest of the days of the week!! There is plenty of room for ALL OUR Faiths to WORSHIP and CELEBRATE GOD!! On Sundays the Cathedral of Blessed Sacrament!! is OPEN from 7AM? to Around 8PM? There is plenty of time and room for All FAITHS to have their Prayer Blessed Spiritual Meditations Worship Ceremonies of GOD to be held on Sundays or any other day of the WEEK!! That would make the Cathedral of Blessed Sacrament!! even BETTER!! More SACRED!!! GOD Commands IT!! GOD Demands IT!! GOD Works in MYSTERIOUS WAYS !!!! GOD Bless You and the World!! GOD Creates!! World PEACE!! To World PEACE Created by GOD!! AMEN!! AMEN!! AMEN!!!! AMEN!!!!"

**What grade are your children in this year (K to 12)?**

Families with Children in Multiple Grades (32)

1. preschool and kinder. Attend faith formation at parish near our home.
2. pre-school 1st grade
3. K, 5th ,6<sup>th</sup>
4. K to 12 i have many kids!! more devotees for GOD!!
5. S - 1st and 9th
6. 2-12



7. S - 3rd and 5th
8. S - 3rd, 9th, 11th
9. S - 1st and 7th
10. S - 4th and 6th
11. S - 4th and 5th
12. S - 5th and 12th
13. S - 4th and 6th
14. 4th and 8th
15. 3rd and 7th
16. K, 2nd, 4th, 5th
17. 1, 3, 7, 9, 11, 12
18. 5th and 10th
19. S - 6th and 9th
20. 6th and 1st
21. 7-4-3
22. 7 and 10
23. 6th, 10th
24. 8th and 3rd
25. 7th, 9<sup>th</sup>
26. Two in 6th and two in 8th | seven more next year!
27. 6, 10
28. S - 9th and 11th
29. S - 10th and 12th
30. S - 10th and 12th
31. 10th grade
32. 8th and 10th

#### Kindergarten (3)

1. k
2. K
3. K

#### Grades 1-5 (9)

1. 3rd
2. S - 2nd
3. S - 5th
4. S - 5th
5. 1st grade
6. 3rd
7. 3
8. 3rd grade, granddaughter
9. 5th

#### Grades 6-8 (6)

1. S - 6th
2. S - 7th
3. S - 7th
4. 8th
5. 6
6. 7<sup>th</sup>

High School (5)

1. 9th
2. S - 11th
3. 9th
4. 10
5. 12

Children older than High School (5)

1. N/A they are adults
2. No more small children. Children are all grown up
3. College
4. Not in school anymore there over 18 year's old now
5. Adults

Don't have any children (9)

1. No kids.
2. No children
3. No children
4. no children
5. I am a single man. I don't have any children, although been on a few dates with someone who has children.
6. we don't have kids
7. None
8. none
9. 0

N/A (28)

1. NA
2. N/A
3. N/A
4. N / A
5. N/A
6. N/A. Does not apply
7. N/A
8. N/A
9. N/A
10. N/A

11. NA
12. N/A
13. n/a
14. n/a
15. N/A
16. N/A
17. N/A
18. N/A
19. N/A
20. N/a
21. N/A
22. NA
23. na
24. NA
25. N/A
26. not applicable
27. Not applicable.
28. None. They are still young

**What do you like most about our Family Faith Formation program?**

Misc. (6)

1. S - The Faith Formation leaders (Spanish classes) need more organization. Send a calendar to home classes because they mix up all the classes and dates. Also, be a bit kinder.
2. The activities that align with teachings
3. Communal aspect, parent involvement
4. I like that the adults must attend class with their children!
5. The Spirituality Lessons!! The Teachings about being less distracted by the material World and being MORE FOCUSED and Connected to the Spiritual World and GOD!! AMEN!!
6. They exist but fall short of adequately preparing youth

Teachers/Volunteers (2)

1. Sister Lisa Marie
2. Sister Lisa's attention to detail is appreciated

No Comment/Don't Know (3)

1. (no comment provided)
2. Don't know
3. N

## How do you think we can improve our Family Faith Formation program?

### Curriculum (7)

1. S - Organize and follow a curriculum (class/program/have a good work plan) with a plan to follow each week, taking into account the classes that will be taught during the year
2. Clarity of the curriculum
3. More activities to fully engage
4. More videos to engage students
5. Be better prepared, think proactively, be collaborative rather than directive, follow all RCIA guidelines.
6. Teach more about The Spirituality Lessons in more details!! TEACH more about meditations and the power of PRAYERS!! How meditations and the power of PRAYERS!! HEAL and Guide US in many MANY Spiritual MANNERS!! AGAIN NEED MORE OF The Teachings about being less distracted by the material World and being MORE FOCUSED and Connected to the Spiritual World and GOD!! AMEN!! Get Silent Moments/Prayer time back into ALL School Levels!! K thru College and EVEN in Grad Studies!! AKA Further continuation of college!!! HAVE These Silent Moments/Prayer time OPEN to ALL Faiths!! Which they will be if they are Silent MOMENTS which anyone can be SILENT and STILL and do whatever they want with!! AMEN!! AMEN!! AMEN!! AMEN!! GOD Bless us ALL!! GOD Hurry up and Create World PEACE!! AMEN!!! AMEN!! AMEN!! AMEN!!
7. I'm enjoying the updated format

### Change/Improve Times (4)

1. S - two days a week for catechesis
2. S - Do not demand such a long program on Sundays. When one includes Mass, it is a 3 hour commitment. This is too much to expect a family to commit to. For me, this experience is enhanced by quality, not quantity. This is how we instill hatred towards the church. Children see this commitment as a martyrdom.
3. S - Offer class meetings at a different time
4. The evening class is very late for younger kids, and they're all lumped in with older kids, so I'm not sure everyone is getting out of it what they really need to

### Communication (3)

1. Improve organization and communication with parents
2. Emails
3. Schedule events out further in advance

### Parental Involvement (2)

1. I don't think it's necessary to have parents attend year after year.
2. Just encourage more parents to respond. I see it happening as they become more comfortable in class

### No Input (3)

1. It's hard to say my children age group hard enough for me I'm sure it's hard to all the family's as is
2. I don't know
3. No children

Misc. (3)

1. S - Have a youth group so that they continue to meet more people of the same faith and develop a good conscience
2. Get a new director
3. Don't know about it

**Do you use our parish's website?**

No Computer/Not Tech Savvy (7)

1. No computer
2. No computer
3. I am 'Computer illiterate" Sorry, Just don't use the computer so much
4. S - I don't like to use electronic devices much.
5. Not a techie
6. Do not spend time on the internet/websites
7. Do not use computer very much

Unaware of website (5)

1. Didn't know they had one
2. S - Did not know we had one
3. S - Don't know
4. S- Was not aware we had one
5. Didn't know about it!

Website Outdated (2)

1. Outdated. Need the most recent
2. Needs to be updated

Use Occasionally (2)

1. Not all the time but when I do I find the info I need. The website has improved greatly!
2. Sometimes; i.e. to watch a live stream of Mass

Misc. (3)

1. S - I would rather read the paper version
2. Great!
3. no time

**What is your language preference (other than English, Spanish, or Chinese)?**

Nobody answered this

## **The things I like best about Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament are...**

### Building and Environment (52)

1. S - The beauty of the crucifix, the intimacy of the Tabernacle. The light of the space. Especially like the willingness of our servers to receive and help those who serve us.
2. I appreciate the beauty and reverence inside the church. The main crucifix is mesmerizing and draws me into a place of deep spirituality.
3. The cathedral speaks for itself. Its beauty and standing as a religious structure exemplifies the spiritual House of God.
4. The Cathedral is formal, traditional, stable, steadfast in a very crazy and upended society...
5. The church, and the solemnity of the church
6. It is a physically beautiful worship space (architecture, art, furnishings, wood...).
7. S - The beauty of the Cathedral
8. Beautiful church
9. The beauty of the church itself
10. The beauty
11. It's beaty
12. Beautiful Church
13. The beauty of the church
14. Beautiful building
15. the inside is beautiful
16. The beauty of the building
17. The beauty of the cathedral
18. Beauty
19. The church building and the beauty of the environment
20. Beautiful church, traditional environment.
21. Its beauty and history
22. the beauty of worshipping within the building, the history
23. The physical, liturgical and musical beauty
24. its beauty and music
25. the spirituality and the tours of the church!! the baptism pool!! the architecture
26. I love the history of the Cathedral and its beautiful architecture. It is inspiring. The amazing statues and paintings of the station of the cross.
27. The beautiful church. The saints visible in the church.
28. Art
29. the art and architecture
30. S - Architectural beauty
31. The architecture
32. The art, architecture, and history is inspiring.
33. Spacious
34. The openness of the building and the people. I find it welcoming.
35. The worship environment
36. the actual Cathedral itself
37. The atmosphere of the cathedral makes me feel closer to God.

38. Aesthetics
39. The overall aesthetic certainly
40. the visual appeal
41. S - The cathedral
42. The church it's self
43. The church itself
44. The church
45. the beautiful cathedral
46. the building
47. The building
48. excellent building
49. The renovation
50. easy access, cleanliness, vastness
51. S - The temperature is right. The space it offers. The cleanliness of the church.
52. S - They offer vouchers to pay for parking

#### Clergy & Staff (45)

1. Fr. O'Reilly
2. Fr O Reilly
3. Father O'Reilly
4. Fr. Michael O'Reilly is an inspiration
5. really enjoy Fr. O'Reilly
6. Fr. O'Reilly
7. The great attitude of Fr. O'Reilly! He is so welcoming, down to earth, connects on personal level. Sister Lisa has a similar personality and so patient and understanding
8. I love that Sister Lisa Marie and Father O'Riley have helped me with my needs, that I would have not been able to do without them, since I have been ill for so long.
9. Father O'Reilly and Sister Lisa
10. Sister Lisa
11. Sister Lisa is an absolute delight to work with
12. Sister Lisa and Father Michael
13. Fr. Michael - his homilies, his singing voice, his gentle nature, his sincerity
14. The priests
15. the dedicated priests and staff
16. The souls of the dedicated servants of God in the past, present and future.
17. The priests are dedicated, trustworthy, models of the faith
18. The priests who celebrated mass
19. Thanks to God that we have Fr Chin to serve Mass in the Chinese language
20. The Holy Spirit's presence is very strong at the Cathedral. And The Lord has provided wonderful shepherds for His flock at the Cathedral.
21. the goodness and devotion of our priests and deacons and sister.
22. Kudos to Father Michael & Father Memo, Deacon Omer and Father Kiernan! Thank you!
23. Fr Memo, Fr Michael K. and Fr Michael O.



24. Father Memo it's the best
25. Fr. O'Riley, Fr. Mc Kernan
26. Fr. O'Rielly and Fr. Kiernan are great priests
27. the priests/deacons
28. priests
29. good pastors
30. good pastor
31. the pastor
32. The rector
33. Maria is so nice and helpful! She is always working so hard
34. Staff
35. Staff
36. administrative staff
37. The office staff is very accommodating and efficient
38. Rex Rallanka is fabulous
39. all that work there
40. the ministers
41. I am in awe when Father O'Reilly sings the mass of Creation.
42. Fr. Oreilly's heart felt ability to sing/Taz
43. The kindness Father Michel has shown to our family.
44. We love the fathers as well as staff.
45. Father Michael, staff is great

#### Mass/Liturgy (43)

1. S - The solemn celebration of the Mass
2. S - Respect for the practice, solemnity of the liturgical service, education and functioning of our parish priests, respect of the space of worship.
3. The reverent atmosphere during Holy Mass. I really appreciate the incense, music, and chanting during 10 AM Sunday Mass. Also, the artwork in the church is beautiful and timeless. All of these things make me feel connected to the universal Catholic Church, past and present.
4. The sacred traditions and sacraments. It is a place of worship and dignity. The quality of the liturgy (homilies, music, etc).
5. sacred liturgy
6. The Masses are a beautiful celebration of the Holy Eucharist that is enhanced by the choir, its music, the flowers and the Cathedral building itself. The Mass is also a time for thoughtful reflection about what one has done and can do to live and serve as Christ taught us.
7. very spiritual services, masses, adoration etcetera
8. The Mass Sunday morning service; all aspects of the mass
9. I like the Mass
10. The Mass, The liturgy
11. The Liturgies
12. The beauty of the liturgy

13. the liturgy
14. I enjoy the liturgies
15. Liturgy
16. liturgy
17. The Mass and The beautiful ceremony
18. The liturgy and Solid liturgy and Church teachings
19. Sunday Mass liturgy especially outstanding singing of Father O'Reilly
20. I enjoy the liturgy- many aspects, the music, the use of incense on a weekly basis, chanting...
21. the Holy Mass, the incense
22. Worship
23. The Mass
24. Mass
25. S - Masses
26. mass services
27. Our Lord is there and in the Eucharist. Love is there!!
28. Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament
29. and of course, Jesus is there
30. Liturgies are done efficiently and not prolonged.
31. I also appreciate that Sunday mass is always 75 minutes maximum. There is no need to lengthen the mass to be effective.
32. the altar servers and incense
33. Virtual Sunday 10:00 AM mass especially Fr. Michael O'Reilly and the altar helpers. The beauty of the Liturgy and the Church itself.
34. I love livestream, for I have been very ill
35. Streaming masses when attendance is not possible
36. The online access to mass through out the pandemic
37. Everything, except when the masses are more contemporary
38. Mass Captains
39. how it genuinely feels to be there and be with god
40. daily mass
41. all altar servers, eucharistic ministers and welcome ministries and ushers!
42. lots of opportunity to participate in mass and retreats, wonderful services at Christmas and Easter
43. It's dedicated to Eucharistic Jesus; the holidays' liturgies & it was the church of worship during early years of infancy w/ parents & young adulthood by myself, so I feel at home. It's truly awesome!

#### Music (43)

1. The music!! It's so beautiful
2. Quality of music is of high caliber
3. excellent music
4. the wonderful music
5. excellent music

6. great music!
7. Music
8. music
9. Music
10. Music
11. The music
12. The music
13. the music
14. the music
15. music
16. the music
17. the music
18. the music
19. music
20. it's music
21. Music
22. music
23. Music
24. Music!
25. music/choir
26. The Music and Choir
27. The choir is so good
28. Choir
29. The choir
30. The choir
31. the choir
32. the choir
33. S - the choir
34. The choir is amazing. The singing positively impacts my Mass experience.
35. It heals me and makes me feel better. I love the music.
36. Amazing, appreciative music and choir which adds beauty and depth to prayer and masses.
37. S - The choir greatly adds to the religious experience
38. the music and liturgy
39. The reverence of the liturgy and music
40. Beautiful music, especially at major holiday services
41. The music on holy days and Sunday's
42. enjoy the music especially when the lady singing has an angel voice
43. the organist, Rex and the choir, the music

#### Community (28)

1. S - I like the community
2. Something I love about the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament is always feeling safe there and the people there is helpful.

3. Friendly
4. The community
5. The parish community. We feel a sense of pride and community at this church
6. While this statement does not apply to 100% of parishioners, the Cathedral has a beautiful group of parishioners who love, care for, and support each other.
7. The parishioners, Community
8. community connection and friendship
9. The sense of community among the parishioners, specifically those in my ministry
10. All the people that make up the parish including the clergy and all who serve
11. S - Church, Place, Community, How I feel when I am there
12. The community.
13. S - The community
14. It's my church family. There's always a smile and I feel welcomed.
15. I love the parishioners, they have become family
16. S - That we are a family!
17. many good people
18. The familiar faces I see every time I attend mass
19. The people
20. The people
21. the people
22. People
23. all the people
24. the parishioners and priests.
25. the parishioners
26. Amazing parishioners
27. At least 1/4 to 1/3 of people like me. (I know don't know about everyone)
28. So many things, history, culture, family tradition, location, community, inclusive, services provided, classes offered, feels like family, it's a Holy place.

#### Welcoming Atmosphere (28)

1. S - I really like that the parent groups make new people feel very comfortable and you feel like you are really part of the community.
2. We have felt extremely welcomed in Every aspect.
3. Acceptance of the parish for all people
4. Wonderful Christ like people
5. Friendly and welcoming people
6. welcoming attitude
7. Very welcoming. Open minded
8. I also love how welcoming everyone is, and how nonjudgmental our community is. Coming in as a convert, this is very important to not feel like an outsider.
9. Friendly and welcoming atmosphere
10. Friendly atmosphere, many friends
11. How welcoming everyone has been to my family

12. People are friendly and staff is wonderful. I always feel welcomed and the greeters make it more welcoming.
13. Inclusive feeling when attending mass: the greeting, the music, singing with the choir
14. I like the new greeters that are making people feel welcome at church.
15. The way the greeters on the parish doors at Sunday Mass make me feel welcomed and accepted as a member of the parish.
16. Greeters
17. The people who greet us at mass
18. The cantors are excellent and so friendly, just like the staff
19. Just getting to know the Parish community
20. fellowship
21. It is where I met some of my relatives a long time ago. Some of my present relatives have their children (my cousins, also) going make or have made their first communion at the cathedral.
22. Kindness
23. Welcome environment for kids
24. the openness and love of our Rector and involved parishioners, people willing to help those in need, family atmosphere with those in ministry, greeters
25. It is very peaceful
26. Spiritual atmosphere
27. Atmosphere
28. S - Harmony and respect and much peace

#### Ministries/Activities (17)

1. Ministries
2. The many ministries available to participate in
3. Catholic programs
4. Easy to be involved in ministries and other functions at the Cathedral
5. the rosary after Mass
6. the rosary after Holy Mass!
7. praying rosary w/group
8. Night Fever
9. The retreats have been fantastic
10. feeding of the homeless
11. Advent and Lenten related events
12. programs to outreach to the needy like BBL
13. Mercy Hall activities
14. the events prior to covid-19 that we used to do more frequently like concerts in the sanctuary and other things like that were wonderful
15. concert performances
16. social and community groups provide services for all
17. events including retreats

#### Homilies (8)

1. Father O'Reilly's excellent homilies
2. sermons (especially those of Fr O'Reilly)
3. S - That homilies are not political. I am divorced and despite this I feel that the Cathedral welcomes me with open arms. I don't feel that way in other churches.
4. The homilies, pastor, and music. The Cathedral is a beautiful church and we truly enjoy attending mass every week.
5. Fr. Michael's homilies
6. Sermons I love hearing Father O'Reilly's homilies. He gives me food for thought every week.
7. S – homilies
8. I always hear something intelligent in the homily.

#### Reconciliation/Sacraments (6)

1. S - Daily confessions
2. receiving the Sacraments
3. availability of confessions
4. Daily confessions, except on Sundays, are also a plus, coupled with weekday mass
5. The sacraments
6. It is when I made my first confession (1963) and first Holy Communion(1964) and my baptism (1961)

#### Faith Formation (5)

1. S - I like that as parents we are learning together with our children about our Faith.
2. S - The Group of Parent Leaders and of the Catechism
3. the ACTS Community
4. Family faith formation
5. Bible Study

#### Mass Times (5)

1. S - That masses are always on time
2. Daily mass; allows me to attend mass weekly. I'm a nurse in a hospital and have an irregular schedule.
3. S - times of the masses in Spanish
4. Having noon daily service
5. availability of daily mass

#### Location (5)

1. the location and that parking is free on Sundays and even parking vouchers are available too! thanks for doing this!
2. location
3. location
4. The location
5. location

#### Youth Involvement (3)

1. the number of young adults that attend
2. the Young Adults group
3. young people at Mass

#### Bulletin/Newsletter (3)

1. Bulletin
2. I also enjoy getting the magazine in the mail each month.
3. whoever writes the articles for the newsletter I get in the mail does a great job!

#### Adoration (2)

1. personal adoration
2. adoration (when available)

#### Misc. (7)

1. S - Everything is very good
2. S - Everything!
3. Everything
4. Everything
5. Best place to worship
6. S - very responsible teams
7. They are unapologetically themselves. They know their community and support the needs they see.

### **I wish Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament would...**

#### Ministries & Activities (32)

1. S - Group for young people and adolescents.
2. S - Had a youth group and that the priests gave more talks
3. have a vibrant, Christ-based group for faithful high schoolers
4. Have more volunteers to help in the family formation
5. I wish there was a ministry for children under 5
6. Have more opportunities for families with young children
7. Communicate for young adults
8. Work on more on cathedral young adults
9. I would also like a prayer group created especially to pray for our priests / holy hour
10. Have first Saturdays dedicated to Our Blessed Mother in reparation and first Fridays specifically dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in reparation especially for us, our Bishop, our Priests and our City
11. Put out more information on volunteering opportunities within the church
12. Contact me through my e-mail [lourdescarmela@gmail.com](mailto:lourdescarmela@gmail.com) on volunteering/participating on the cathedral activities, especially for the community.



13. have quarterly meet-n-greet for parishioners/guests with coffee, lemonade, water, fruit, and New York Bagels sponsored by the ministries and requesting donations in support of CBS.
14. Give more opportunities to bring parishioners together to get to know one another
15. Have opportunities for parishioners to meet each other and become community.
16. Plan and present events that bring the parish together
17. Offer more meet and greet opportunities. I moved from Midwest to Sacramento area, and I have struggled to make new friends, especially given my middle age (praise God for the few I had and a few old friends in NorCal). Wistful there wasn't even "breakout rooms" for topic discussions in Flame Alive series, which I stopped attending after the lack of these breakout rooms. There needs to be a more active outreach to new parishioners. My newcomer experience was pathetic, though I don't usually think of any parishes offering any kind of welcome and integration.
18. have more social events
19. Bring back food and music events for the entire community
20. Have a volunteer picnic
21. more after-mass varied activities (not just rosary) to draw more people, thanks!
22. Have Sunday donuts where parishioners and children can gather and get to know more people in the community.
23. Have an occasional pancake breakfast.
24. Have a breakfast ever so often after mass. Have an annual picnic. It would help to get acquainted with other parishioners
25. Have another musical event with the many talents of Father Michael and other choir members, parishioners
26. Have workshops for creating art, music, etcetera for those looking to contribute to the faith in this way. Connect with the community with art, there is so much of it. Showcase parishioner's Catholic faith art in the newsletter
27. announce cathedral tours at the end of each mass
28. You might have a ministry fair
29. advertise the ministries more often
30. Get organized and simplify what is being offered. Too many different things going on and not doing all that well at all the different programs
31. Be more hopeful in delivery of bible stories and services
32. More parishioners participating in ministries and other cathedral activities.

#### Building/Grounds (21)

1. Allow us as a community help more hands on with repairs and work that needs done at the Cathedral as Volunteers
2. Return communion rails or add a kneeler to receive communion, for those of us who need assistance to get up and give proper reverence to our Lord in the Eucharist
3. Construct a communion rail
4. People should also be reminded not to slam kneelers onto the floor repeatedly; that's why the cathedral has any number of them out of commission.
5. The Church will be cleaner

6. Make every possible attempt to keep the front stairs and entry clean
7. I wish the cathedral staff, from time to time, would remind people not to put or drop garbage onto the floor nor leave it in the pews.
8. Clean up. It's filthy inside and out, and this is dangerous to my health (asthmatic) and the health of others
9. Give better maintenance to the beautiful building.
10. Be more clean inside and out, take care of deferred maintenance
11. I wish something could be done to improve the appearance of the cathedral's maintenance; the stairs and landing are a frightful sight
12. A suggestion: Find out from the city of Sacramento their plans for 11th St. in front of the church. They should provide major upgrades consider the amount of people who attend Mass every week. The construction on the building at 11th and J street should be completed soon. Considering the services, including marriages, that bring in hundreds of people, we deserve landscaping and pedestrian right of ways walkways.
13. Repairs to the building
14. Fix lights put up st. Luke
15. replace the Saint Lucas painting on the ceiling (if you get the funds to do so)
16. Get an image of Saint Charbel
17. bathroom fixtures and lighting
18. I wish the cathedral bells worked once again
19. ....be able to afford to run the AC at a comfortable temperature in the summer
20. S - Wish there were more space for activities during the weekends
21. wash the staircase because of the homeless population.

#### Mass/Liturgy suggestions (20)

1. Continue to provide good liturgy
2. Be more hopeful in delivery of bible stories and services
3. S - fill up each Sunday of each mass
4. Celebrate the Tridentine Mass.
5. Would love father memo do Mass every Sunday
6. Keep a more traditional Mass and music
7. I wish parishioners would have more respect and reverence toward the Lord in mass
8. Consider more traditional liturgy if possible and allow traditional parishioners to take the Eucharist kneeling instead of in the hand.
9. Provide guidance-ushering for parishioners when well attended and crowded masses could use some "directions" for people to kindly move in pews to allow more fellow parishioners to be seated.
10. I would like to see the return of the youth mass-like Saturday evening vigil with folk style music- maybe the use of incense enchanting at that mass as well. Overall, I have a tremendous love for the cathedral and I know that, there are a lot of challenges and a lack of resources. Resources. I am grateful for its place in our community. It has made a tremendous difference in my life
11. Have a Children's Mass & Youth Mass
12. Bring back Saturday mass

13. Bring back Saturday afternoon mass
14. Bring back mass on Saturday.
15. Bring back a Saturday evening Mass
16. Offer Saturday vigil mass
33. Offer Saturday eve mass again
34. Offer a Saturday Vigil Mass
17. Have daily evening Mass
18. S - Have mass before the catechism, like around 7:00 am
19. if possible, return to the 11:00AM Sunday Mass
20. Thank you for having virtual mass Sunday 10:00 AM through YouTube and through Facebook. Continue on the good work.

#### Sound System (18)

1. S - I would like the sound to be adjusted for the back, it is not heard very well
2. S - Improve the sound to what it was like before.
3. S - Better speaker system
4. Check the speakers or add additional speakers to their rear. Also, enunciate the readings better. At the altar during the Eucharist, the message is heard clearly. OFF the altar with the handheld microphone, the message is unheard or not clear.
5. Have better sound system in church and Mercy Hall.
6. Replaced the speaker system or repair it.
7. Fix their sound system to make it more clear
8. Improve sound system
9. Have speakers be clear so I can actually hear words spoken during mass
10. Fix the audio system, sometimes the sound is not very clear and we cannot understand the Gospel/mass.
11. improve its speaker system... the sounds of voices, especially from the pulpit, have seemed muffled in recent months
12. improve acoustics
13. sound
14. Get a new sound system.
15. Fix the sound problem, I can't understand what they are saying. \
16. Fix the speaker system please
17. Would improve the sound system
18. fix the speaker system soon as possible

#### Be More Welcoming (17)

1. S - Unity of the catholic family
2. Maybe a pastor could pop in sometimes on Monday nights and meet the newest people and talk to them. They look up to them with wonder on Sundays and I believe that the people coming in who are new are the greatest glory, and that bringing a new person into the church, teaching and showing them what a Catholic life can be like is wonderful.
3. Provide a way to get to meet more people, if you don't serve its too easy to not know anyone at all

4. have all members of all ministries be more welcoming to everyone
5. Actively include NEW Parishners on committees and in liturgical ministries
6. Greater unity of the Cathedral servers of different cultures and different schedules have more parishioners who wish become involved in supporting all Cathedral ministries
7. have additional parishioners who are kind, patient, and loving to all. I know, we are all human and at times we behave like humans, which is not so nice
8. S - more open in its activities, especially if complete families could be included
9. Invite us on more activities. When we have the time.
10. Methods to get more volunteers and involve more people based on their talents.
11. Be more welcoming to single Catholic men.
12. Fr. O'Reilly has decided that as a felon on parole for a sex crime, I may not participate in any activities. I have always been active in church, particularly as a lector, and I feel that I am little more than a spectator now. It is difficult to really invest in mass every day when I feel I'm not wanted.
13. Be more welcoming by putting their cleaning supplies away when the church is open to the public for example the mop buckets & broom.
14. Continue with retreats for greater unity
15. Stop doing that dumb rosary anti abortion, bad singing thing outside. Is that welcoming to people who may not understand?
16. Be clearer about hours, directions
17. Recognize new people.

#### Parking/Security (12)

1. Have a designated parking area that was nearby so that I could feel safe walking to church and church events at all hours of the day. I think most parish members would be open to fundraising to obtain goal and if used for public events could generate income.
2. Have a better system of public parking. I know several people who no longer attend mass at the Cathedral due to the challenge of finding parking. I don't like to park in the garages as they make me nervous and lots of homeless people by the area.
3. It was a mistake to give up the parking lot
4. Have better vehicle access and parking
5. I wish parking was more accessible
6. Have its own parking lot
7. Had more available parking for parishoners
8. Get better parking options
9. Have more security and free parking in the garage next door
10. Have a better system of securing the church especially during masses. We've become accustomed to disturbances and interruptions of mass but I wish it wasn't so. I admit I've been unnerved several times while working in the gift shop because of obscene, sometimes vulgar encounters that occur. I realize the budget is tight but some things get very intense.
11. Some added security might prove beneficial as well
12. Bring back the security guard

### Sacraments/Adoration (9)

1. S - More access to confession
2. I would like the Sacrament of Reconciliation to last longer than a half hour before Mass on weekdays and to also add a session on Saturdays.
3. have confession before each Mass
4. Have more opportunities for confession after work hours
5. Have longer confession times
6. I also would like to get confirmed but I don't have a sponsor. Would be nice if the church had a program for folks without sponsors to become confirmed.
7. have more opportunities for adoration after work hours
8. Have more Friday night adoration
9. S - It should be more active in terms of the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

### Community Involvement (6)

1. I really think it is important for the Cathedral to see itself as a member of the downtown community. I would like the parish deal with the homeless situation more responsibly as a member of the downtown community. I wrote a letter about this and it was ignored. The homeless situation and the fact that I have to navigate that with an elderly mother in tow has pushed me out of the parish for the moment, but I plan on coming back some day.
2. Somehow we could fish-in more homeless to dare/love come to Mass/Church...visit Jesus
3. Continue the homeless ministry (food/lunches) applications offered during summer for housing, transportation those offices really give tickets to quite a few people
4. I just wish I knew more about its social and community service. Unfortunately, downtown Sacramento at night can be a little frightening.
5. Have other community events in evenings like feeding /serving the homeless
6. I have seen and heard and watched TOO Many Church Staff , Priests, and security officers when you have security officers!! be rude and NOT Kind enough nor spiritually professional enough to street people AKA homeless people EVEN if the person is very quiet and VERY PEACEFUL and just NEEDS the Sanctity and Spiritual Protection GOD and Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament PROVIDES!! AMEN!! AMEN!! If GOD's Devote Street Person is loud well still need to treat them with ultra kindness love LOVE and let them stay in Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament to receive GOD's SPIRITUAL HEALINGS and BLESSINGS!! and PRAYERS!! AMEN!! AMEN!!  
Try to keep the loud Person quiet as nicely professionally spiritually as possible!! This is A SPIRITUAL Teachable moment for all of us!! Provided by GOD!! GOD works in mysterious Ways!! AMEN!! AMEN!!  
AGAIN!! This is a SPIRITUAL Teachable moment for all of us!! Provided by GOD!! GOD works in mysterious Ways!! AMEN!!  
I have seen several churches practice this Modality !!  
If the person is violent and won't calm down then we have to ask them to leave and do it as safely spiritually professionally as possible and see if we can help that misguided soul AKA misguided devotee of GOD!! AMEN!! AMEN!! as we ask them to leave!! AMEN!!

See if we can get their cell # or another method to contact them in future to try to help them, guide them!! LOVE them!! AMEN!! AMEN!! "

#### Religious Education (6)

1. S - More understanding, more communication, better organization for classes, times, and catechism students!!
2. revise the RCIA program to function collaboratively and reflect RCIA Guidelines
3. Explain more about the different holy days (Laetare Sunday, Pentecost, as examples) we observe and what they mean. My kids ask, and I'm not sure what to say since I don't know the answers and am unsure of where to look to get a succinct answer. It's very hard to learn all the culture of the Catholic Church when you weren't raised in it. I'd love some basic opportunities to learn about these things—maybe an article or two in the bulletin, an explanation in the homily, or directions on where to find the information that can be broken down for explanation to my kids.
4. Continue the ecumenical and interfaith series and awareness
5. Definitely continue their retreat about "who is Jesus?"
6. Offer more retreats/educational opportunities

#### Positive Comments/Satisfied (5)

1. God bless everyone who works so hard to make the Cathedral a beautiful place to worship our lord!
2. Peace to you!
3. Continue what's its doing - you're doing it well
4. I'm happy with it
5. I'm satisfied

#### Social Issues/Outreach (4)

1. S - Not push the topic of abortion so much in the faith formation classes. For example, a few years ago in the group of leading parents, the main topic was abortion. And this was a main theme for several weeks. At the same time they sent the baby bottles home with our children to raise money for mothers in need. I think it was a great missed opportunity when, because they focused so much on abortion, no one gave any explanation of the bottles to our children or parents. I understand the church's position on abortion. And although I accept it for myself, what about our young daughters who out of desperation feel that this is the only option? By focusing so much on rejecting abortion in theory, we are not supporting our children during these difficult chapters. I know this because as a teacher, these young women come to my office to vent their miscarriage. We need to do a better job of teaching our children that we support them unconditionally, including during difficult times like an unexpected pregnancy. There are ways to do this with dignity and respect.
2. Instruct the parishioners more in the teachings of the Magisterium and Theology; dig deeper into the Biblical Truths and how the parts of the readings are connected; and guide people to see what Catholic morality compels us to believe and how to behave in today's modern world.

3. Be more vocal in expressing/addressing the cultural & political Marxism in our culture. The Church is Pro-Life, but what positions do our faith advocate and support regarding gender theory issues? ("preferred pronouns, transgenderism, redefinitions of 'man/woman', religious rights/freedoms...) There is soft persecution of Catholics in this state, city... silenced, cancelled, ostracized, bullied in school, work - we need guidance in how to stand firm in the faith while still participating in society. How do we organize & support one another? What are the legal protections? What are the official Church pronouncements? How does the Church support us? We need JP II type examples in our parish. Catholics/Christians are intimidated, scared... government institutions, medical systems, educational institutions are forcing compliance with ideologies that stand in stark contrast to Catholic theology. Need more acknowledgement of these realities & plans for how to build up the parish community to stand firm in the truth. Need education in theology that specifically addresses the current culture... sorely lacking. The voice of the Church is not keeping pace with what is happening.
4. I know you need to step carefully around political or news issues, but sometimes I think a brief commentary and reassurance about some things that happen might be appropriate....gun violence, Ukraine. We can always pray that the Peace of Christ prevails.

#### Suggestions for Music (4)

1. I wish there is a Jazz mass like long time ago when the week for Jazz festival. I missed the Jazz mass a lot.
2. Have music more often
3. S - Wish there was a youth choir
4. We are fortunate to have a great choir. Father should call for a standing ovation now and then after mass for the choir. Perhaps once or twice a month period I believe they would appreciate the acknowledgement.

#### Finances (3)

1. Provide monthly update of financial status and any important issues that impact the parish.
2. Have more musical fundraising events
3. Be more forthcoming about finances. Create specific projects to which we can donate. If there was something created to fix the roof or sound system, I would donate regularly to that fund.

#### Homily suggestions (2)

1. Continue preaching/teaching homilies with good attitudes you have
2. during homilies, "talk" to the parish making the Gospel relevant

#### Misc. (12)

1. S - To be more reverent and appreciate the tradition of the Church more.
2. Help us relate to current life with the reads or some other way
3. Less -shorter speeches at classes

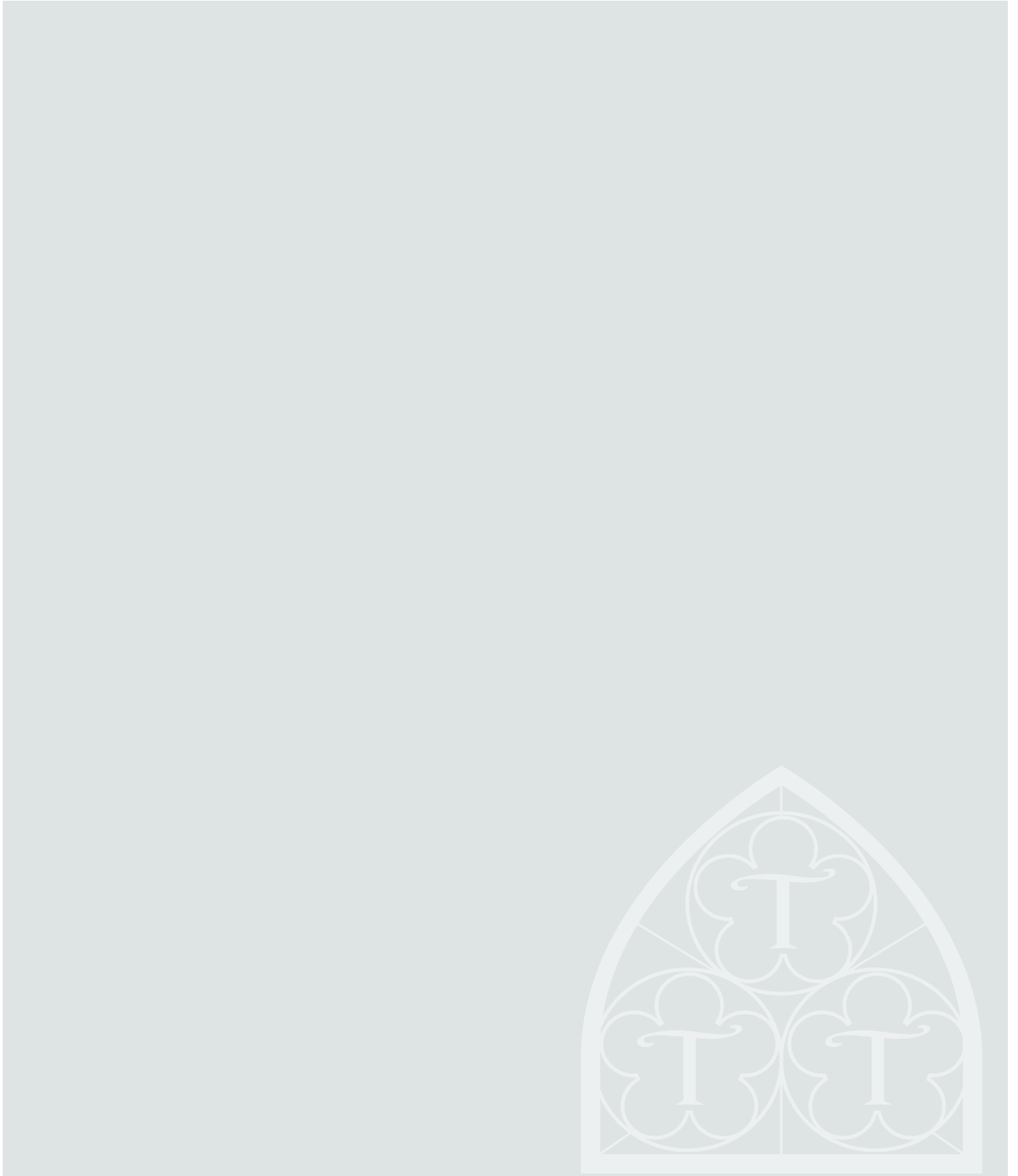


4. Less - volunteer recruitment
5. Be full at every mass and be financially stable!
6. be open longer during the week!! It used to be open until 6PM or later. Now it closes at 4PM during week? Shame!! GOD NOT VERY Happy!! about that!! GOD VERY VERY DISAPPOINTED and Angry about Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament NOT Being open later during the week!!
7. More attendees.
8. Have more opportunities and dates available for sacraments such as weddings, baptisms, etc
9. At times difficult donating through the website
10. S - see many vocations to the Priesthood and consecrated life come out
11. S - I would like the office to answer messages and return calls
12. Taking a survey of our Cathedral seems inappropriate in my candid opinion. Our Cathedral is a place of God in the presence of the most Blessed Sacrament. It is a sacred place of worship, not a place of entertainment or social services/activities. It appears that these questionnaires are very similar to PR companies trying to improve provider services for their clients. It reduces our holy place of worship to a common market focused on serving the people, rather than God. What is doubly shocking is expecting us to rate our priests who have dedicated their lives to serving God. Are we now to judge them? I'm personally disappointed that our church is evolving into some evangelical mega church selling themselves. If we are in dire straits financially please simply share the financial reports, however dismal on a weekly or monthly basis with targets and how we, the parishioners, can help raise funds. It should be done simply without the need of outside consultants making a mockery of our church --- Stop making our God's house a marketplace.

# APPENDIX C

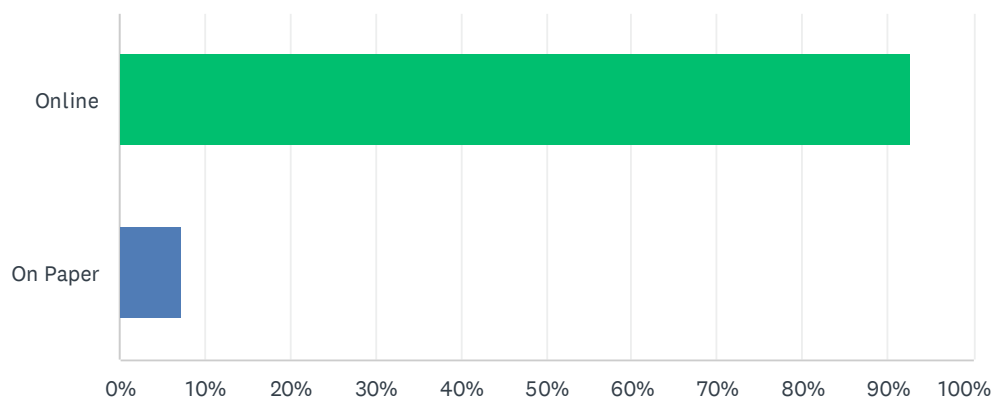
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## *Data Tables*



# Q1 Please indicate the method in which you will complete your survey:

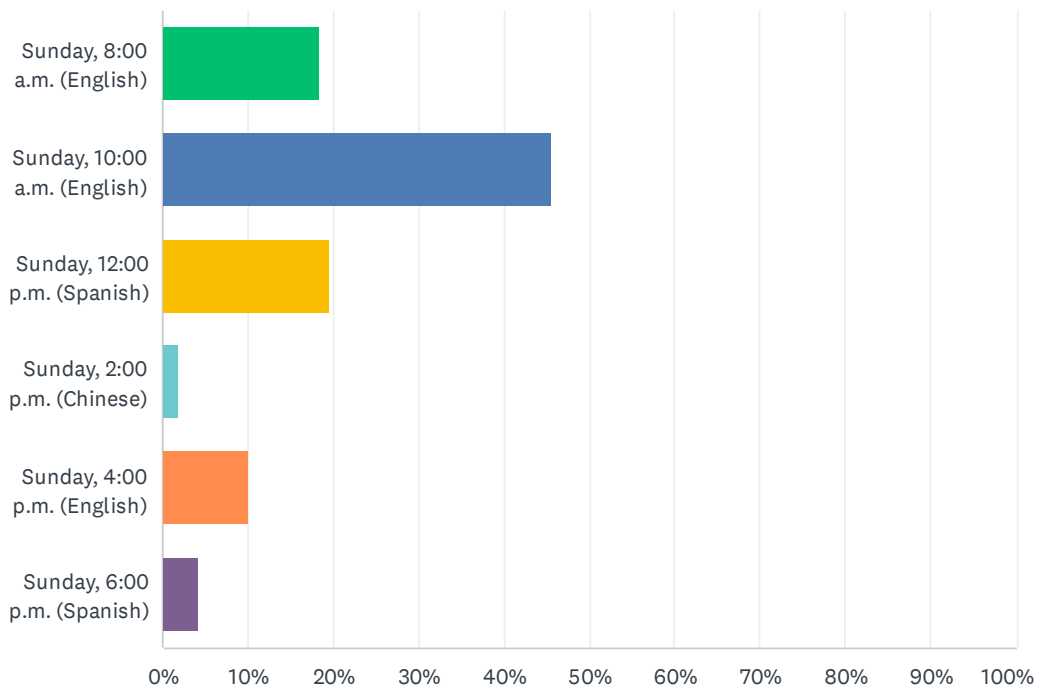
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Online	92.80%	232
On Paper	7.20%	18
TOTAL		250

## Q2 Which Mass at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament do you most frequently attend?

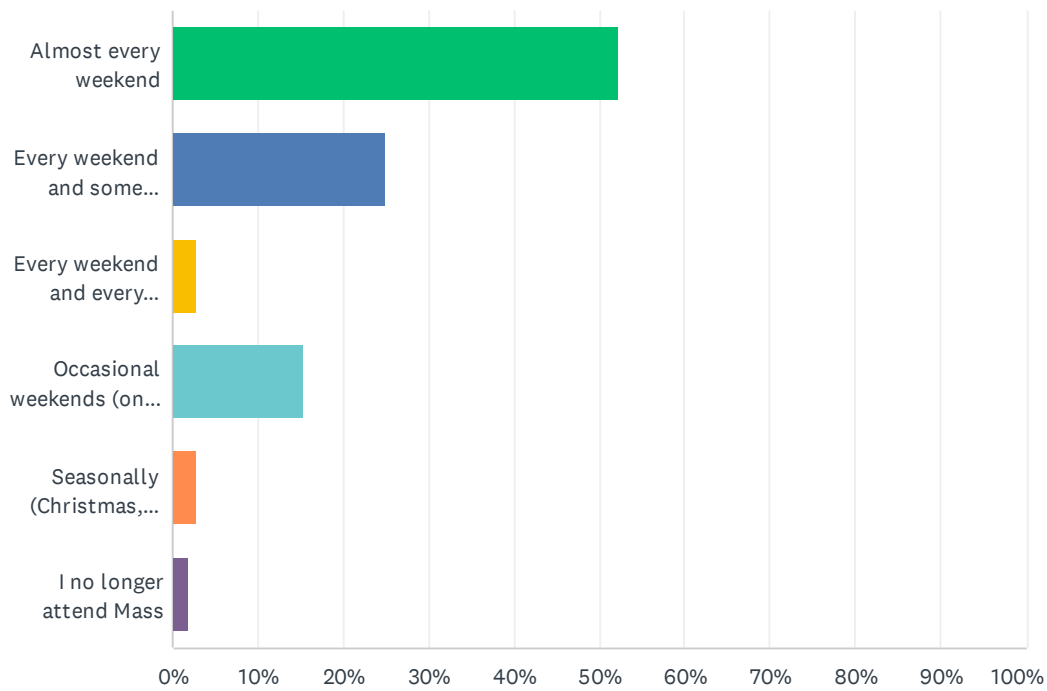
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Sunday, 8:00 a.m. (English)	18.27%	38
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. (English)	45.67%	95
Sunday, 12:00 p.m. (Spanish)	19.71%	41
Sunday, 2:00 p.m. (Chinese)	1.92%	4
Sunday, 4:00 p.m. (English)	10.10%	21
Sunday, 6:00 p.m. (Spanish)	4.33%	9
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>208</b>

### Q3 How often do you attend Mass at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament?

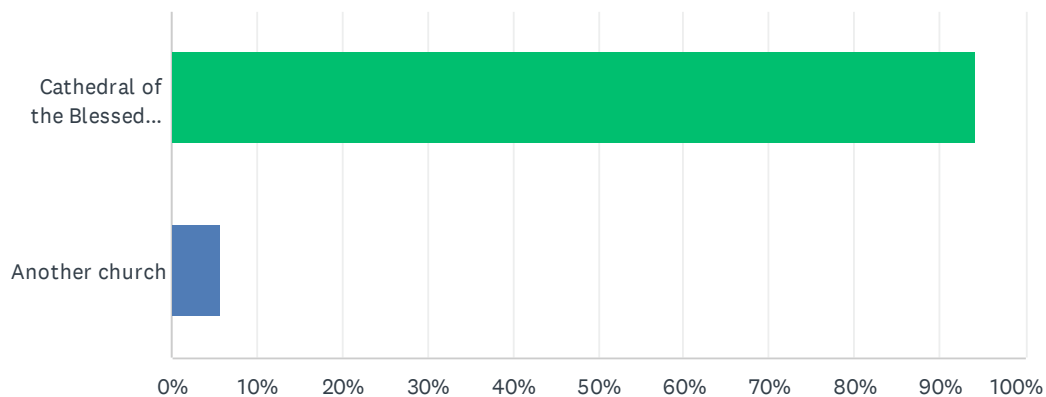
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Almost every weekend	52.15%	109
Every weekend and some weekdays	24.88%	52
Every weekend and every weekday	2.87%	6
Occasional weekends (once or twice a month)	15.31%	32
Seasonally (Christmas, Easter, etc.)	2.87%	6
I no longer attend Mass	1.91%	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>209</b>

### Q4 I consider myself a member of...

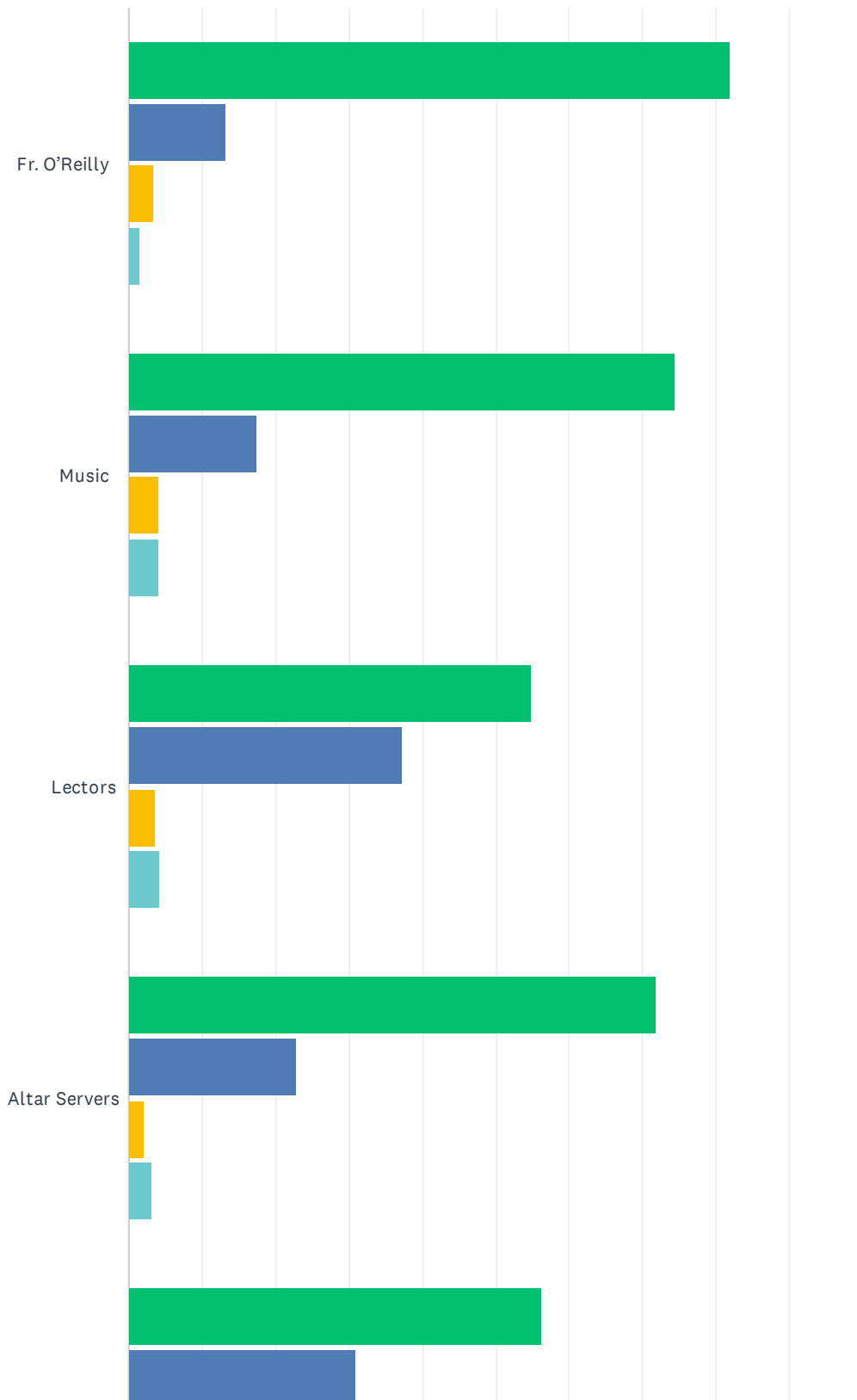
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament	94.31%	199
Another church	5.69%	12
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>211</b>

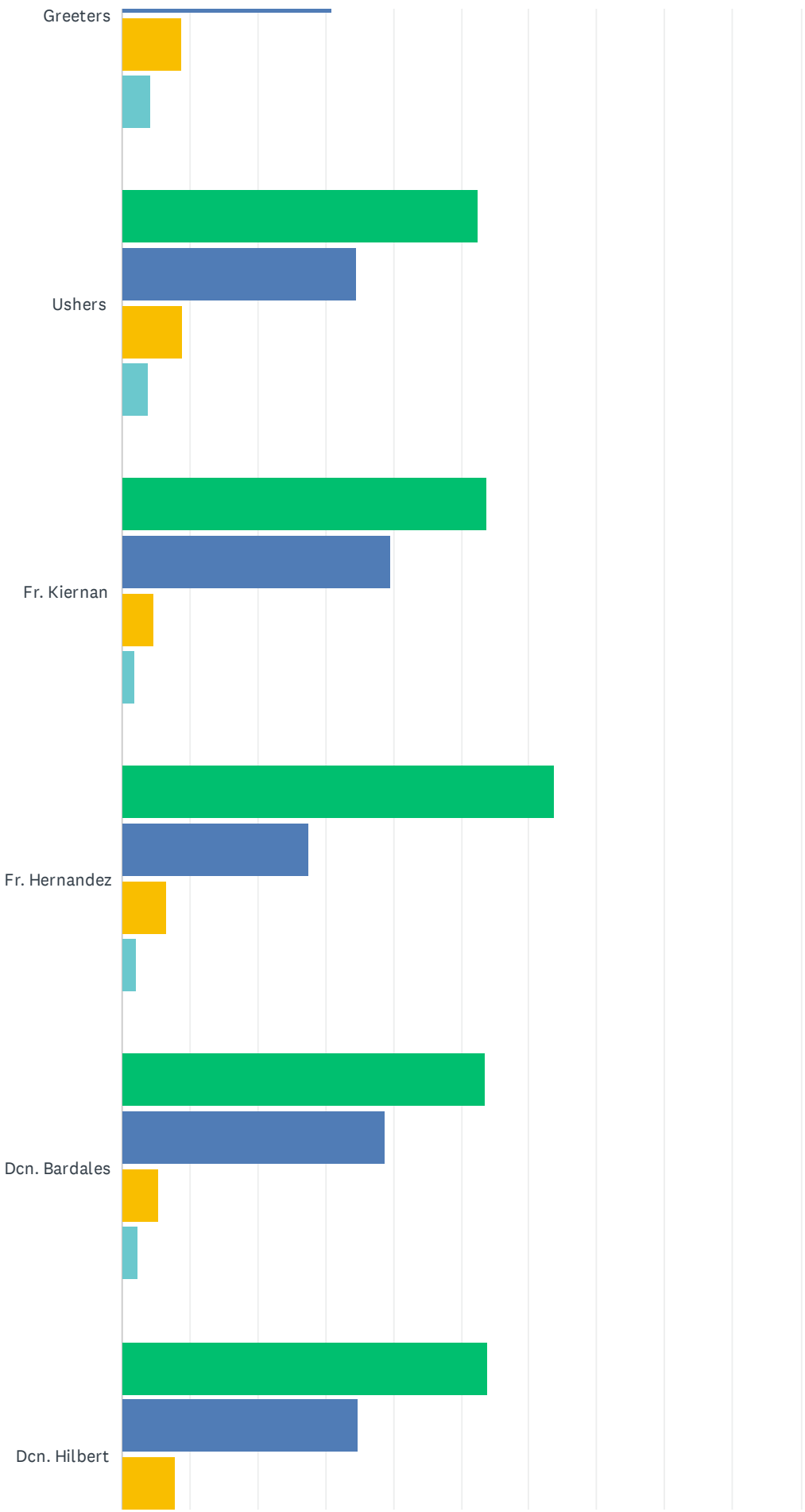
# Q5 Please indicate how well the following liturgical ministers enhance your prayer and worship.

Answered: 209 Skipped: 41

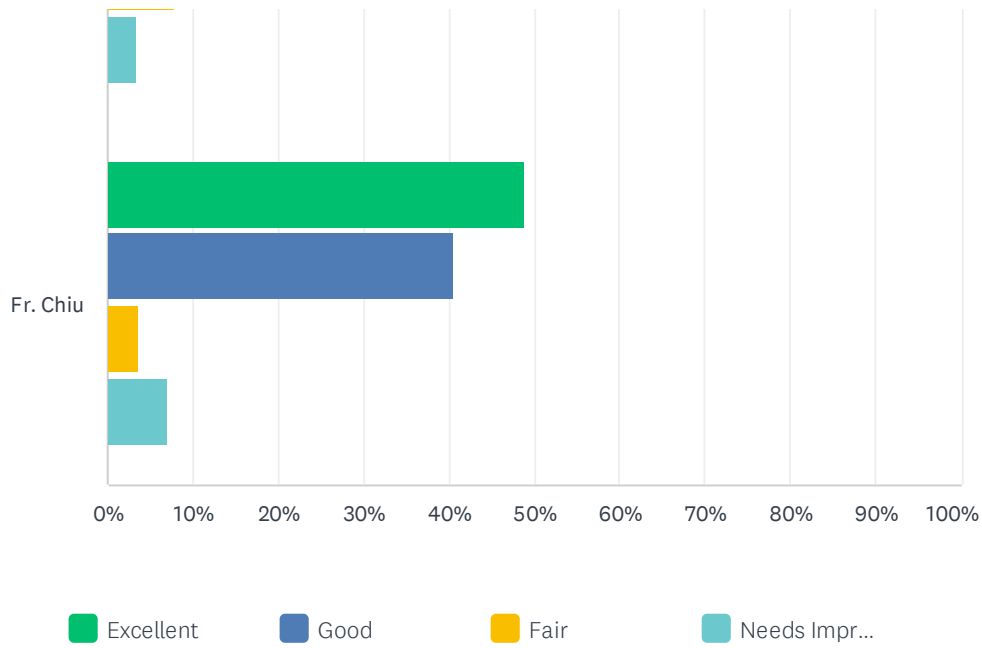




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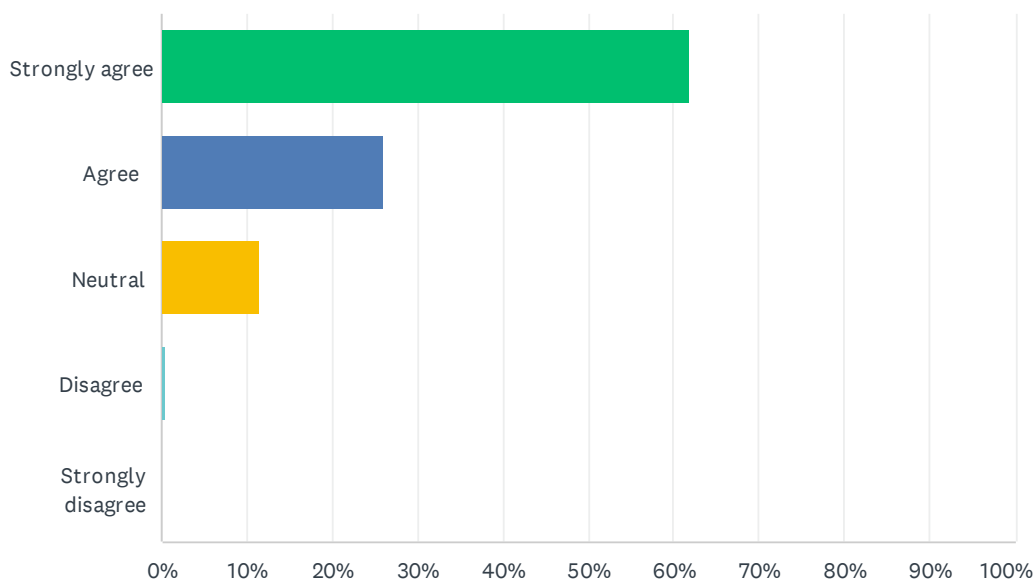
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	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT	TOTAL
Fr. O'Reilly	81.95% 168	13.17% 27	3.41% 7	1.46% 3	205
Music	74.36% 145	17.44% 34	4.10% 8	4.10% 8	195
Lectors	54.74% 104	37.37% 71	3.68% 7	4.21% 8	190
Altar Servers	71.81% 135	22.87% 43	2.13% 4	3.19% 6	188
Greeters	56.22% 104	30.81% 57	8.65% 16	4.32% 8	185
Ushers	52.51% 94	34.64% 62	8.94% 16	3.91% 7	179
Fr. Kiernan	53.69% 80	39.60% 59	4.70% 7	2.01% 3	149
Fr. Hernandez	63.70% 86	27.41% 37	6.67% 9	2.22% 3	135
Dcn. Bardales	53.49% 69	38.76% 50	5.43% 7	2.33% 3	129
Dcn. Hilbert	53.91% 62	34.78% 40	7.83% 9	3.48% 4	115
Fr. Chiu	48.81% 41	40.48% 34	3.57% 3	7.14% 6	84

## Q6 The music at the Mass I attend enhances my prayer and worship.

Answered: 207 Skipped: 43



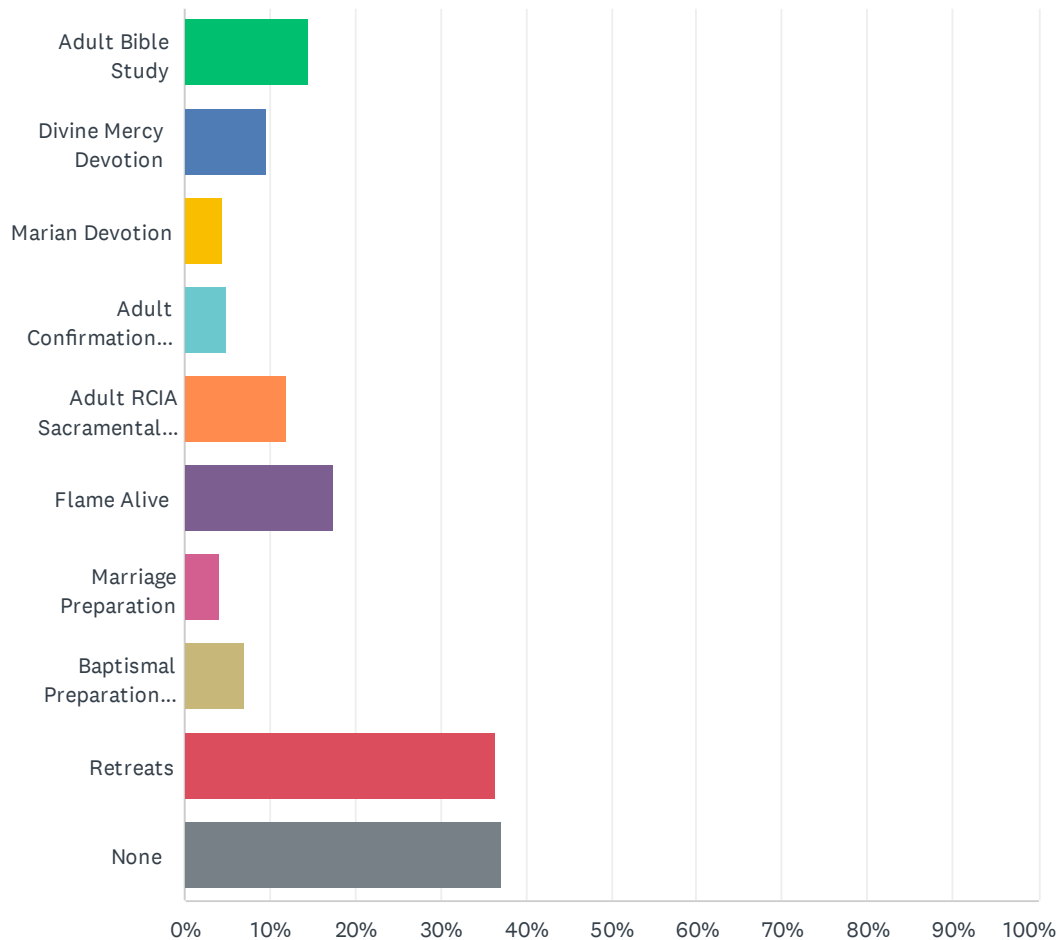
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	61.84%	128
Agree	26.09%	54
Neutral	11.59%	24
Disagree	0.48%	1
Strongly disagree	0.00%	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>207</b>

**Q7 Do you have any other suggestions to help enhance our Sunday liturgies?**

Answered: 95 Skipped: 155

### Q8 What formation programs have you attended in the last three years? (Check all that apply)

Answered: 200 Skipped: 50

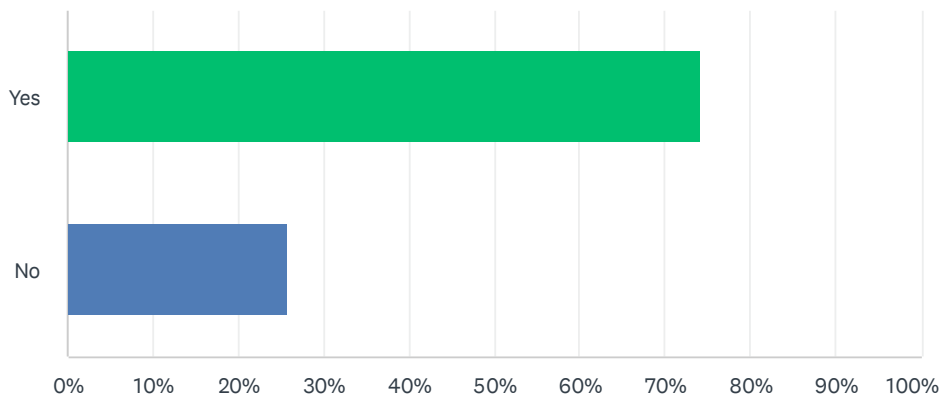


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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Adult Bible Study	14.50%	29
Divine Mercy Devotion	9.50%	19
Marian Devotion	4.50%	9
Adult Confirmation Preparation	5.00%	10
Adult RCIA Sacramental Preparation	12.00%	24
Flame Alive	17.50%	35
Marriage Preparation	4.00%	8
Baptismal Preparation (Parents/Godparents)	7.00%	14
Retreats	36.50%	73
None	37.00%	74
Total Respondents: 200		

### Q9 If you have attended an Adult Faith Formation program at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in the last three years, was it a good experience?

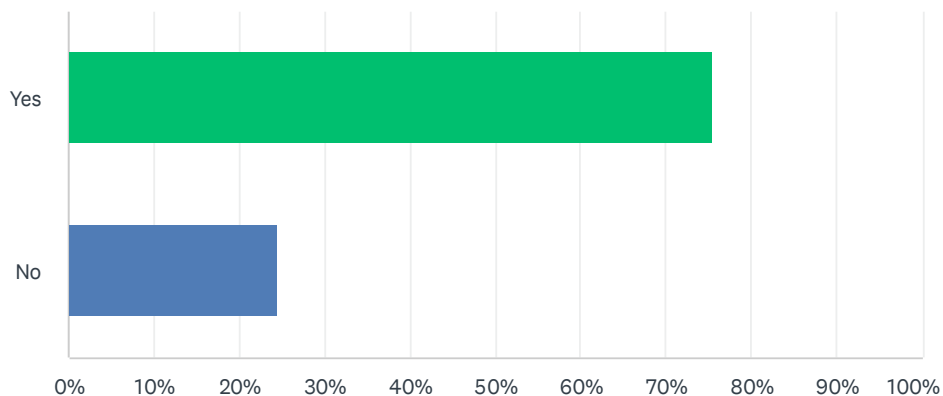
Answered: 97 Skipped: 153



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	74.23%	72
No	25.77%	25
TOTAL		97

## Q10 If you haven't attended an Adult Faith Formation program at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in the last three years, would you consider attending one in the future?

Answered: 147 Skipped: 103

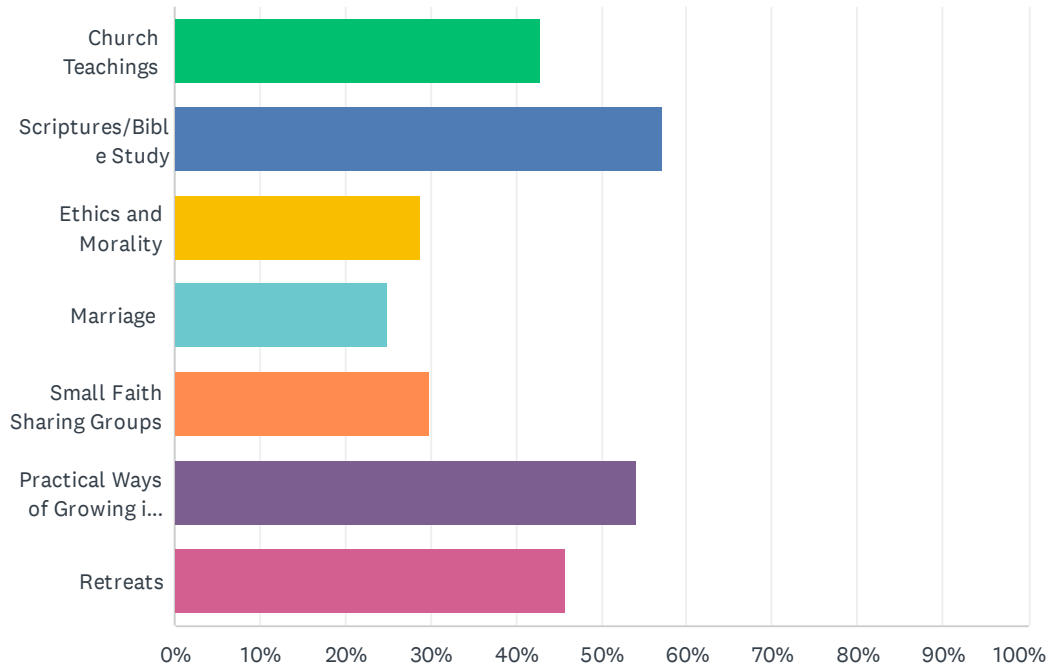


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	75.51%	111
No	24.49%	36
TOTAL		147



### Q11 If you would like to attend an Adult Faith Formation program, in which areas would you be most likely to participate? (Check all that apply)

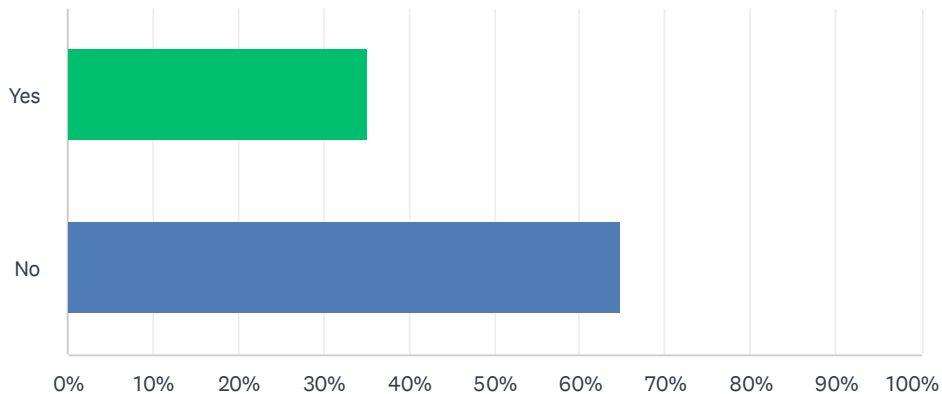
Answered: 177 Skipped: 73



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Church Teachings	42.94%	76
Scriptures/Bible Study	57.06%	101
Ethics and Morality	28.81%	51
Marriage	24.86%	44
Small Faith Sharing Groups	29.94%	53
Practical Ways of Growing in Faith and Prayer	54.24%	96
Retreats	45.76%	81
Total Respondents: 177		

## Q12 Has your family been involved in Faith Formation in the last three years?

Answered: 179 Skipped: 71



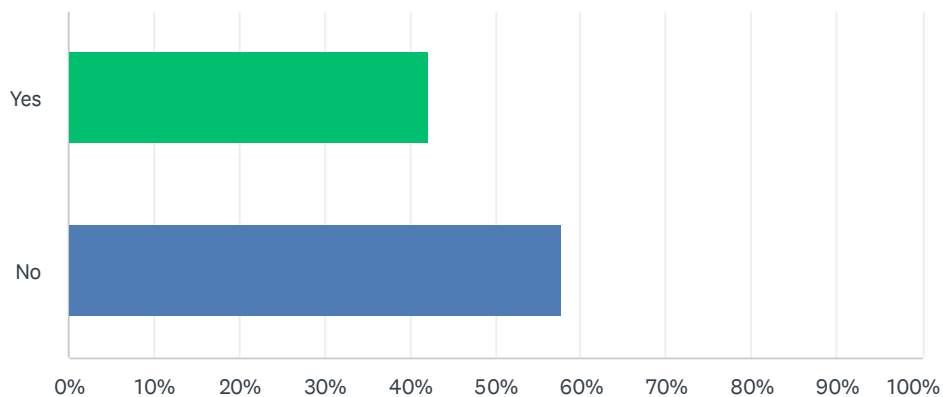
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	35.20%	63
No	64.80%	116
TOTAL		179

Q13 What Grade are your children in this year (K to 12)?

Answered: 96 Skipped: 154

### Q14 Are they currently enrolled?

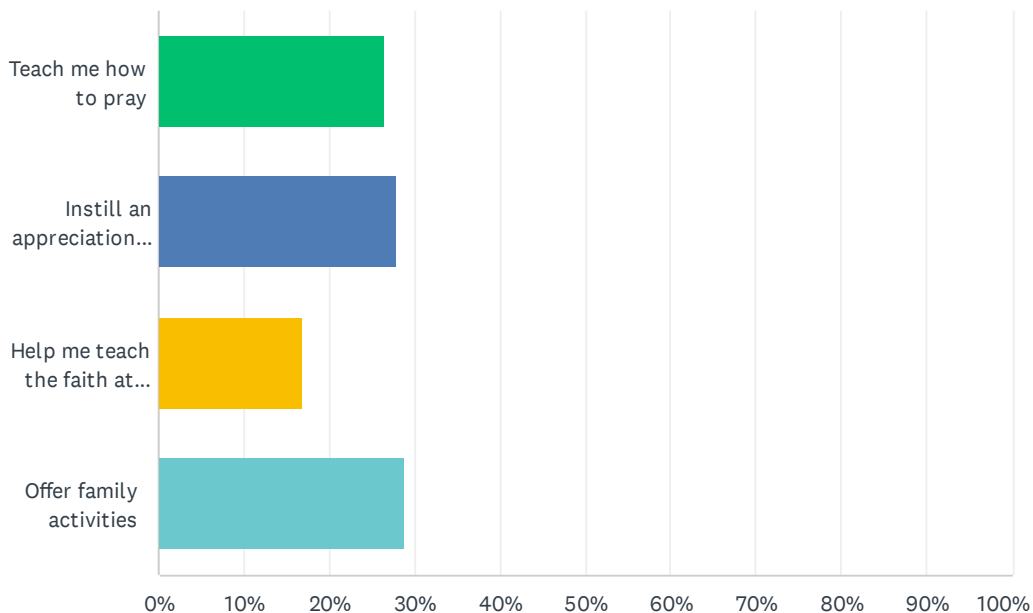
Answered: 109 Skipped: 141



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	42.20%	46
No	57.80%	63
TOTAL		109

## Q15 As a Catholic Family, what is one thing we can do to help you grow confident in faith?

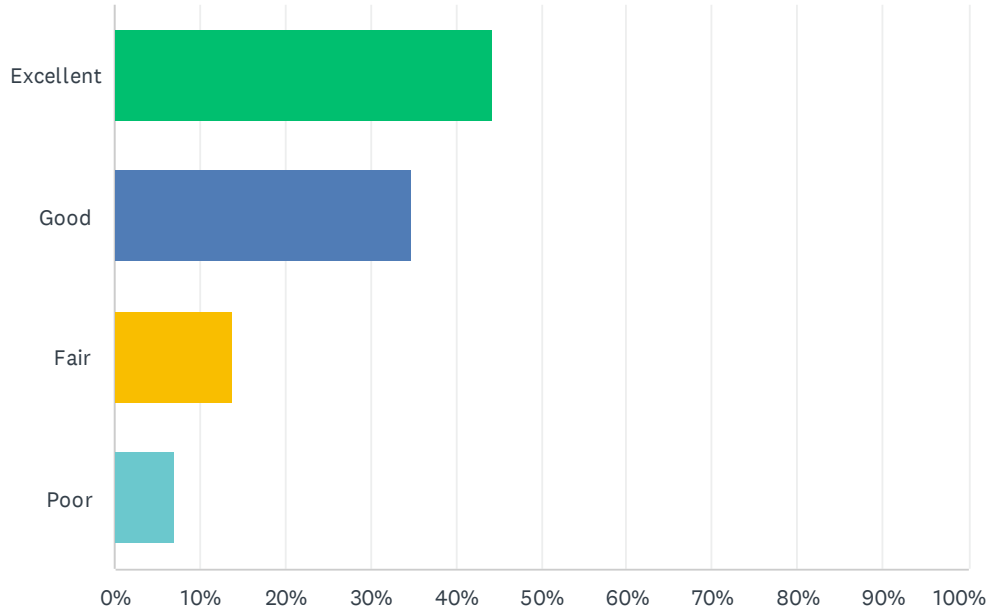
Answered: 125 Skipped: 125



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Teach me how to pray	26.40%	33
Instill an appreciation of the Sacraments	28.00%	35
Help me teach the faith at home	16.80%	21
Offer family activities	28.80%	36
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>125</b>

## Q16 How would you rate the quality of instruction that our students receive in our Family Faith Formation program?

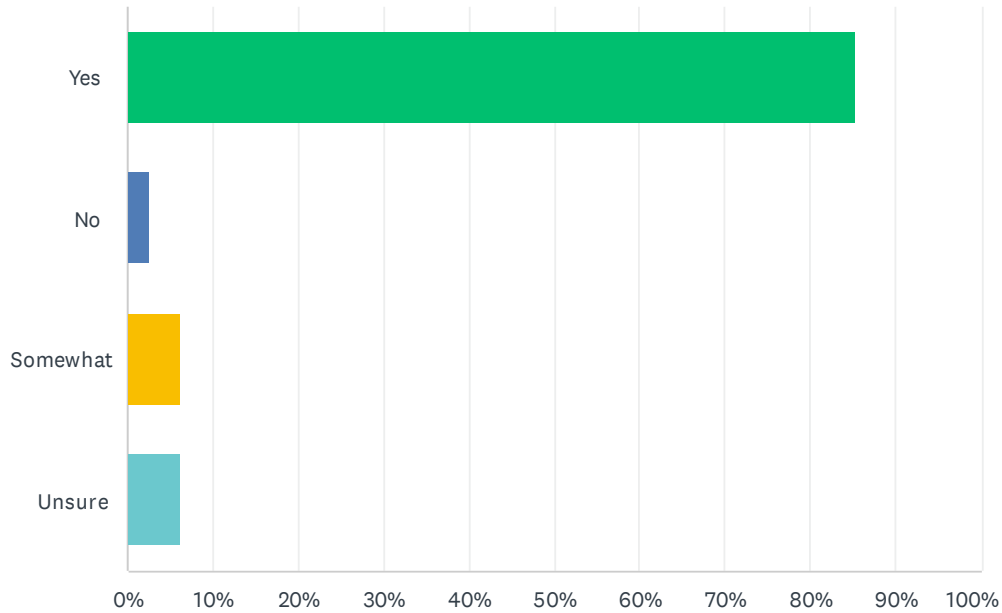
Answered: 72 Skipped: 178



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	44.44%	32
Good	34.72%	25
Fair	13.89%	10
Poor	6.94%	5
TOTAL		72

## Q17 Do you feel that the instruction provided by our program is in line with the teaching of the Catholic Church?

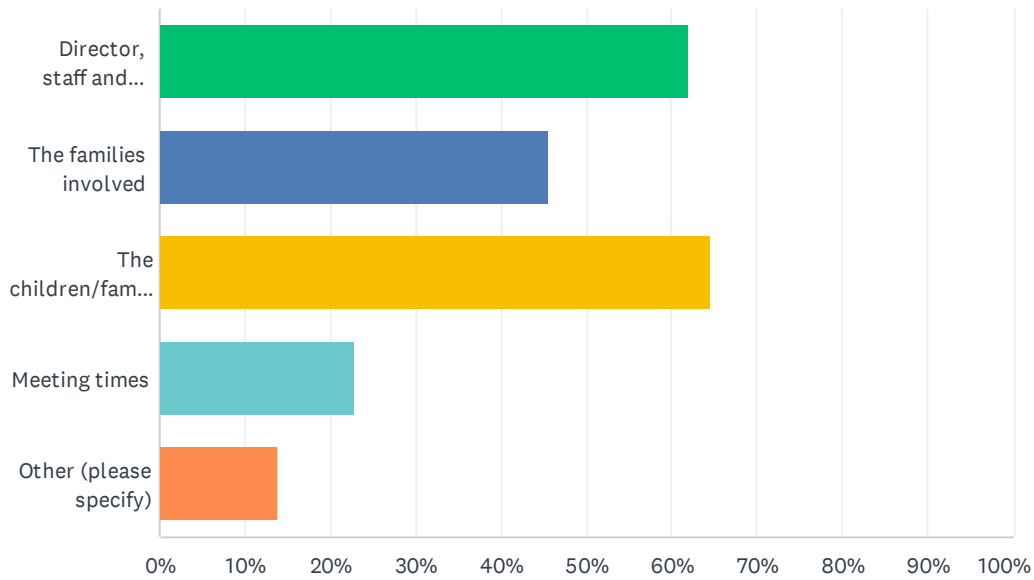
Answered: 81 Skipped: 169



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	85.19%	69
No	2.47%	2
Somewhat	6.17%	5
Unsure	6.17%	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>81</b>

### Q18 What do you like most about our program? (Check all that apply)

Answered: 79 Skipped: 171

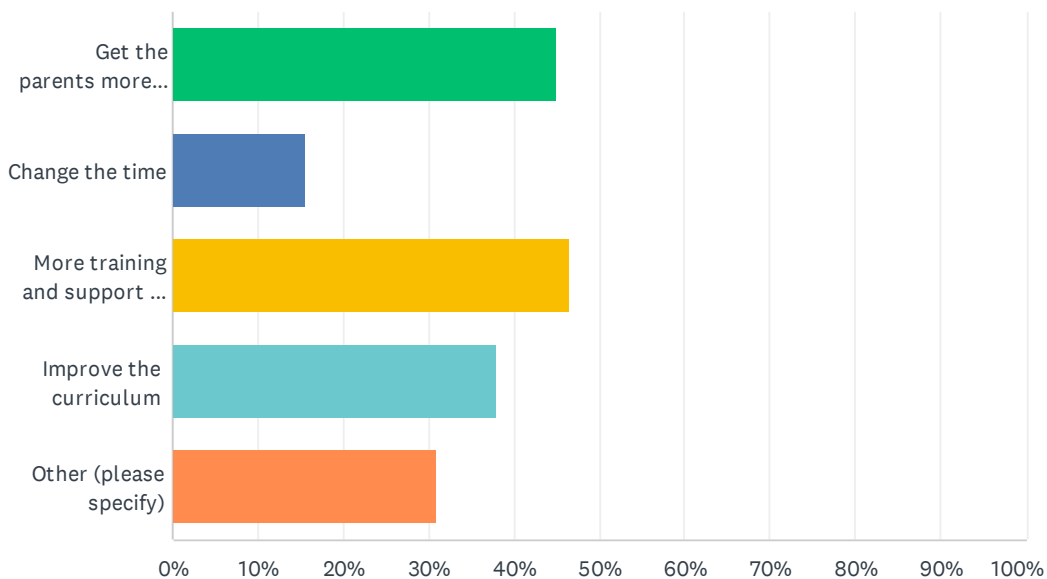


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Director, staff and catechists	62.03%	49
The families involved	45.57%	36
The children/families learn about their faith	64.56%	51
Meeting times	22.78%	18
Other (please specify)	13.92%	11
Total Respondents: 79		



### Q19 How do you think we can improve our program? (Check all that apply)

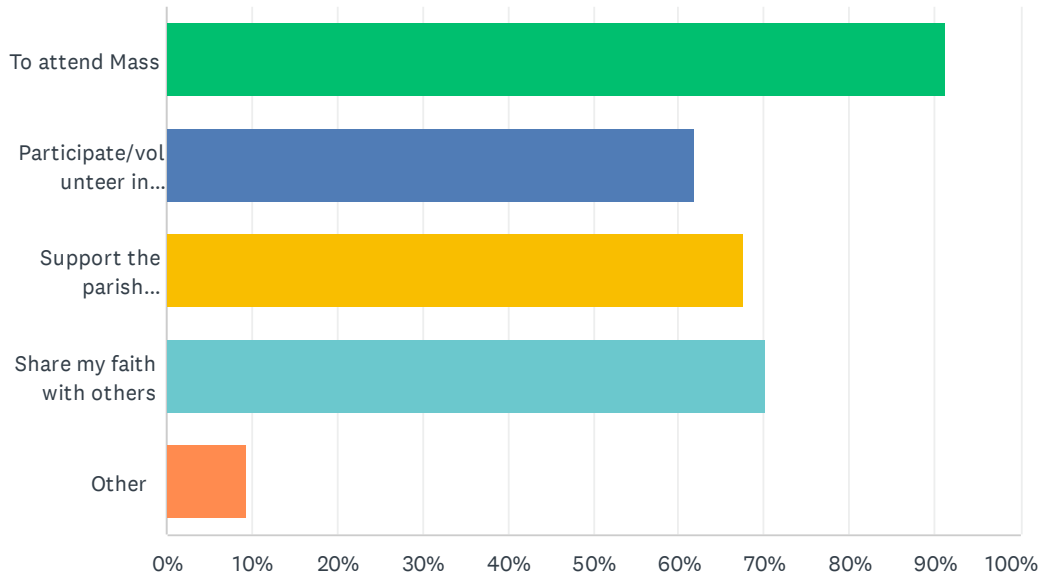
Answered: 71 Skipped: 179



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Get the parents more involved	45.07%	32
Change the time	15.49%	11
More training and support for the catechists	46.48%	33
Improve the curriculum	38.03%	27
Other (please specify)	30.99%	22
Total Respondents: 71		

## Q20 What is your perception of your role as a member of Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament? (Check all that apply)

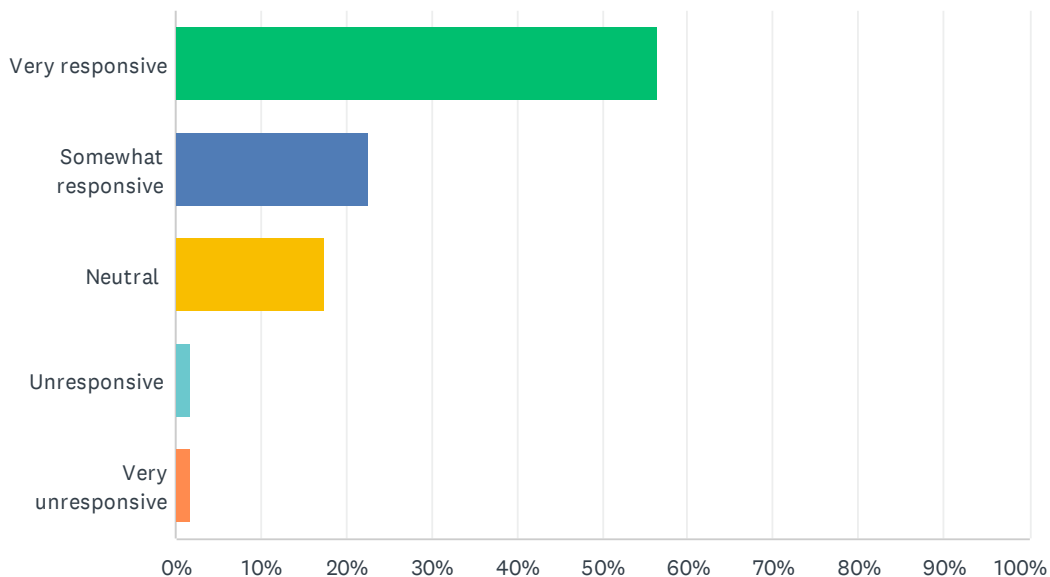
Answered: 194 Skipped: 56



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
To attend Mass	91.24%	177
Participate/volunteer in ministries and social activities	61.86%	120
Support the parish financially	67.53%	131
Share my faith with others	70.10%	136
Other	9.28%	18
Total Respondents: 194		

## Q21 In your experience, how responsive is our pastor to your needs and requests?

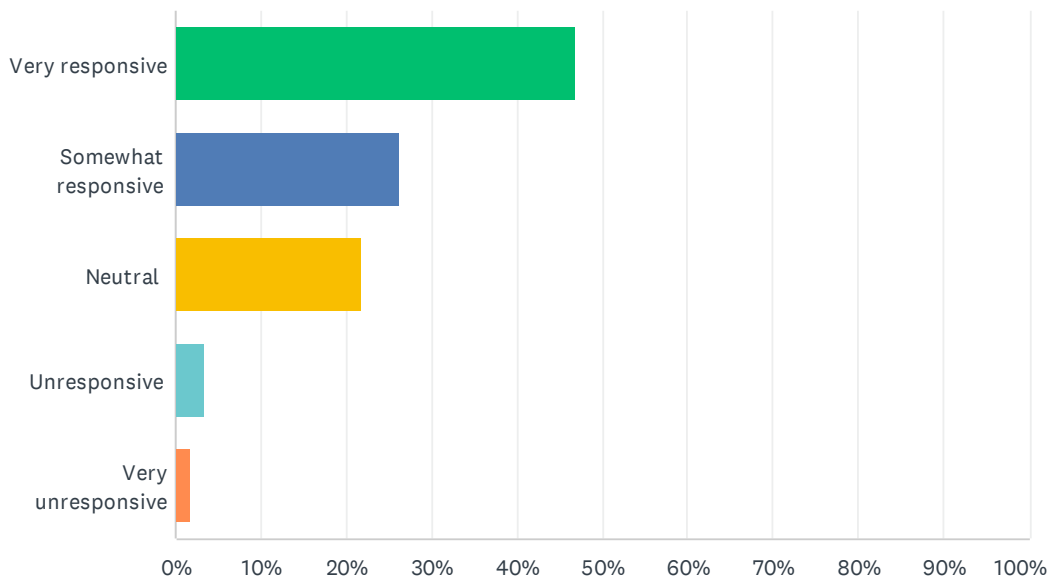
Answered: 177 Skipped: 73



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very responsive	56.50%	100
Somewhat responsive	22.60%	40
Neutral	17.51%	31
Unresponsive	1.69%	3
Very unresponsive	1.69%	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>177</b>

## Q22 In your experience, how responsive is the parish office to your needs and requests?

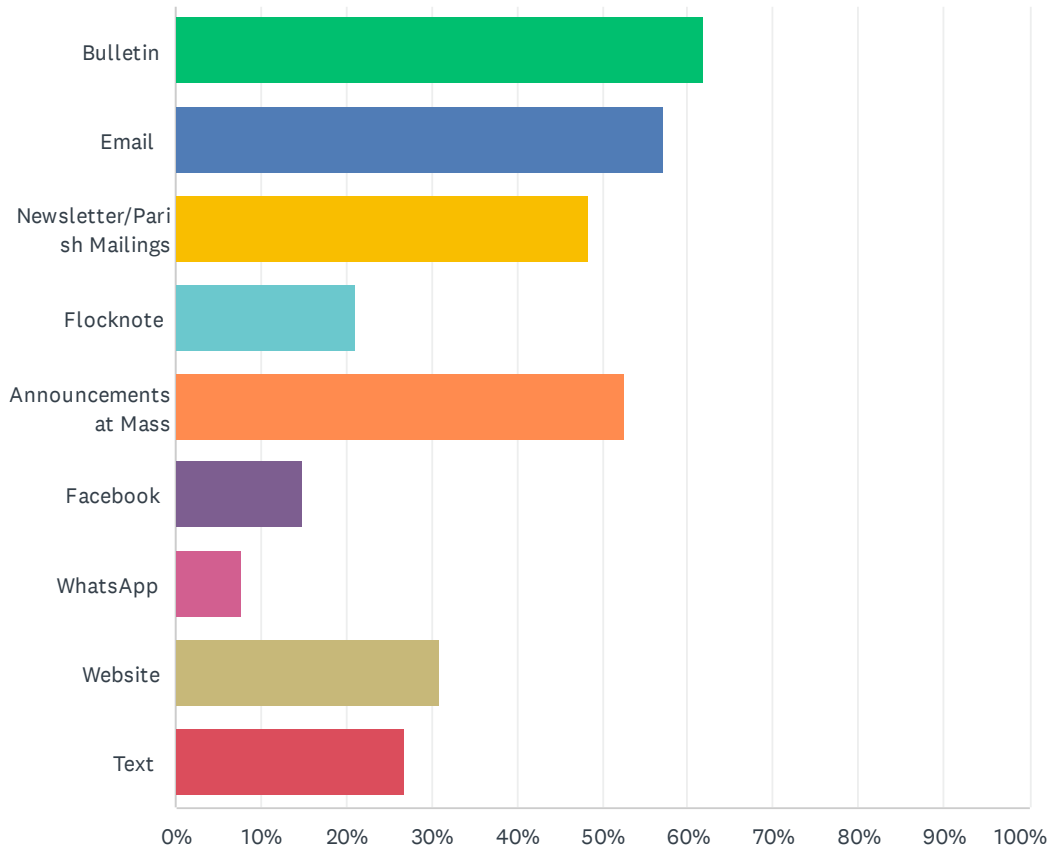
Answered: 175 Skipped: 75



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very responsive	46.86%	82
Somewhat responsive	26.29%	46
Neutral	21.71%	38
Unresponsive	3.43%	6
Very unresponsive	1.71%	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>175</b>

## Q23 What methods of communication work best for you and your family to receive parish information? (Check all that apply)

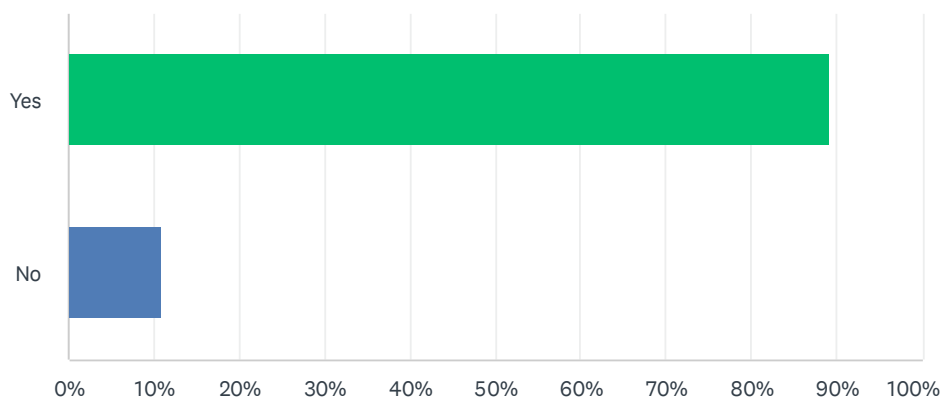
Answered: 194 Skipped: 56



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Bulletin	61.86%	120
Email	57.22%	111
Newsletter/Parish Mailings	48.45%	94
Flocknote	21.13%	41
Announcements at Mass	52.58%	102
Facebook	14.95%	29
WhatsApp	7.73%	15
Website	30.93%	60
Text	26.80%	52
Total Respondents: 194		

## Q24 Did you enjoy receiving the parish's monthly newsletters?

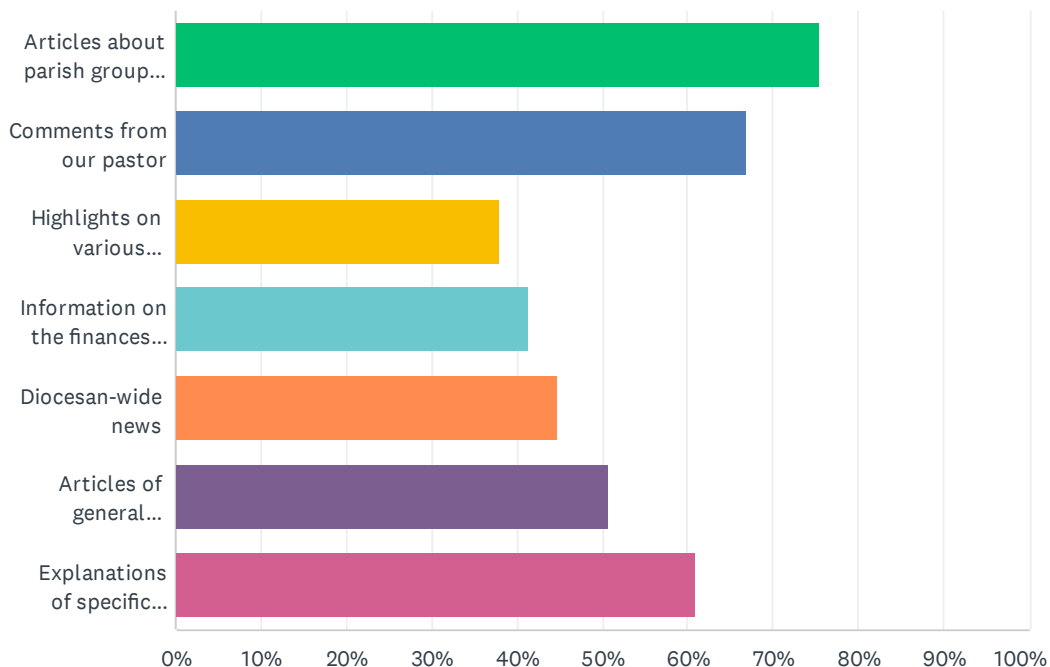
Answered: 174 Skipped: 76



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	89.08%	155
No	10.92%	19
TOTAL		174

## Q25 What information do you want included in our monthly newsletter? (Check all that apply)

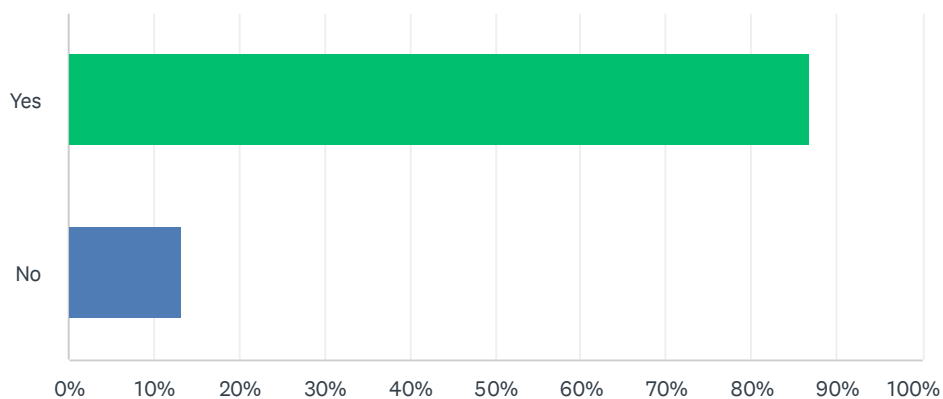
Answered: 179 Skipped: 71



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Articles about parish groups and activities	75.42%	135
Comments from our pastor	67.04%	120
Highlights on various parishioners	37.99%	68
Information on the finances of the parish	41.34%	74
Diocesan-wide news	44.69%	80
Articles of general Catholic interest	50.84%	91
Explanations of specific Catholic teachings	60.89%	109
Total Respondents: 179		

## Q26 Do you use our parish's website?

Answered: 189 Skipped: 61

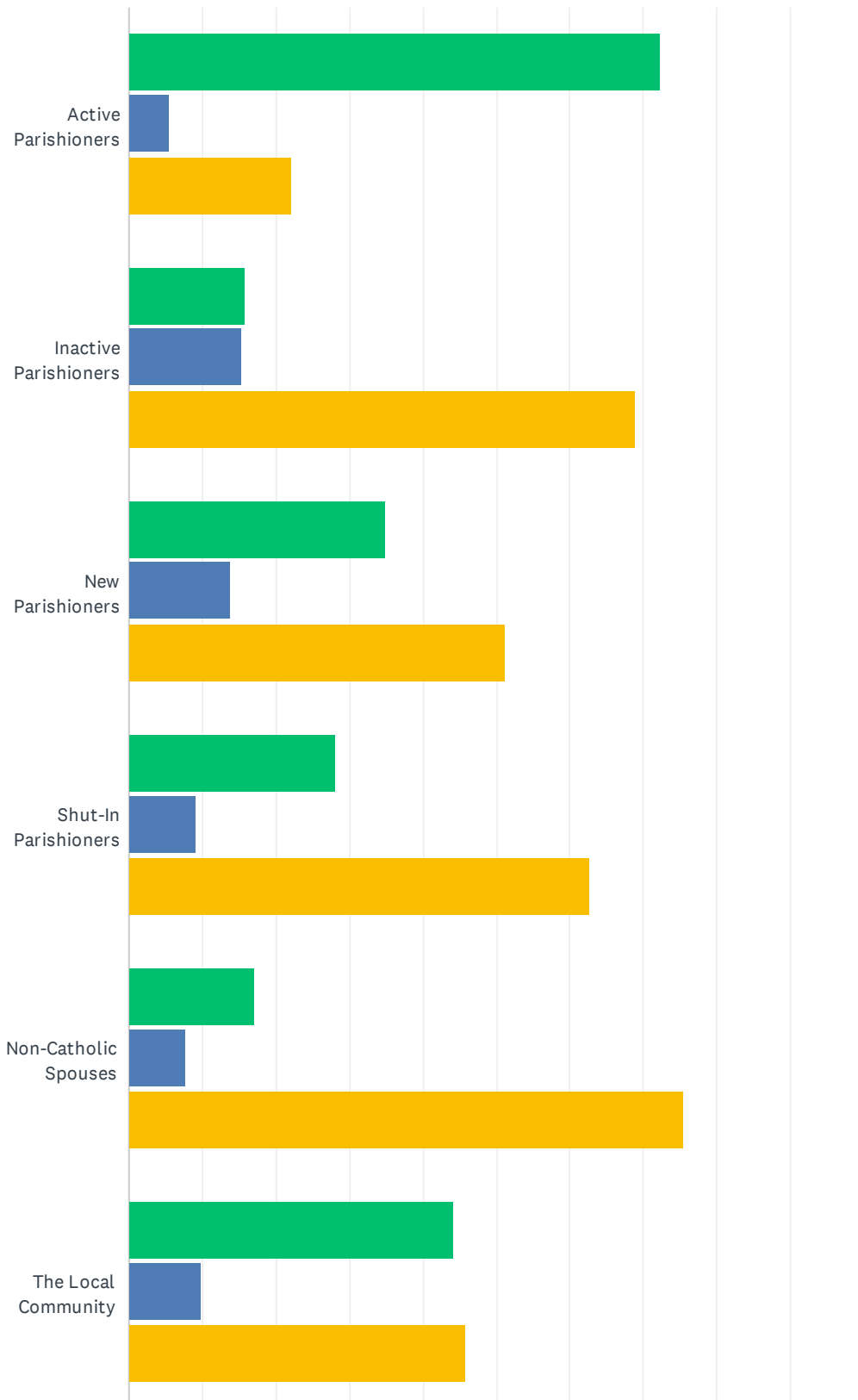


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	86.77%	164
No	13.23%	25
TOTAL		189

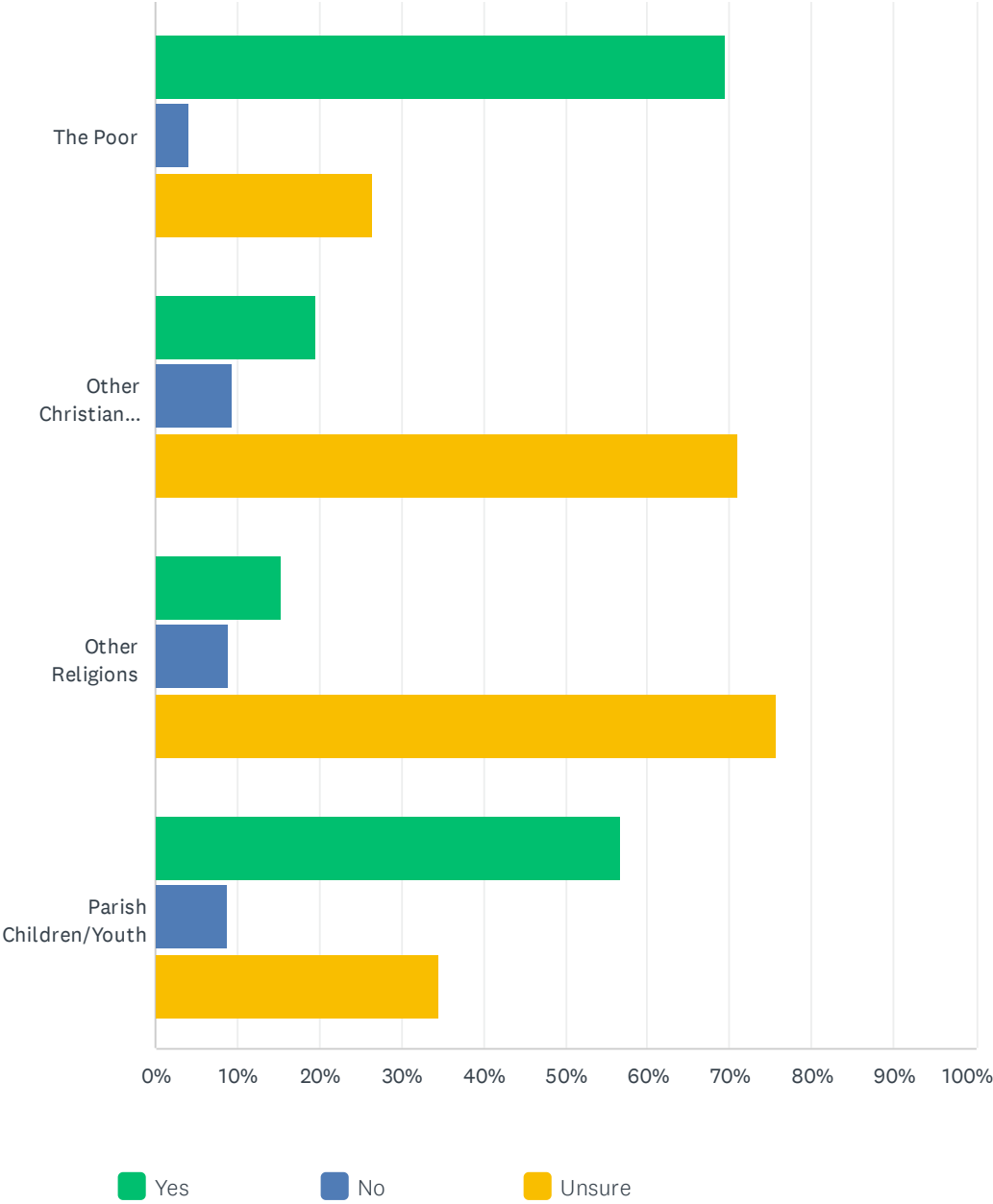


# Q27 Do you feel that Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament does a good job reaching out to the following groups:

Answered: 184 Skipped: 66



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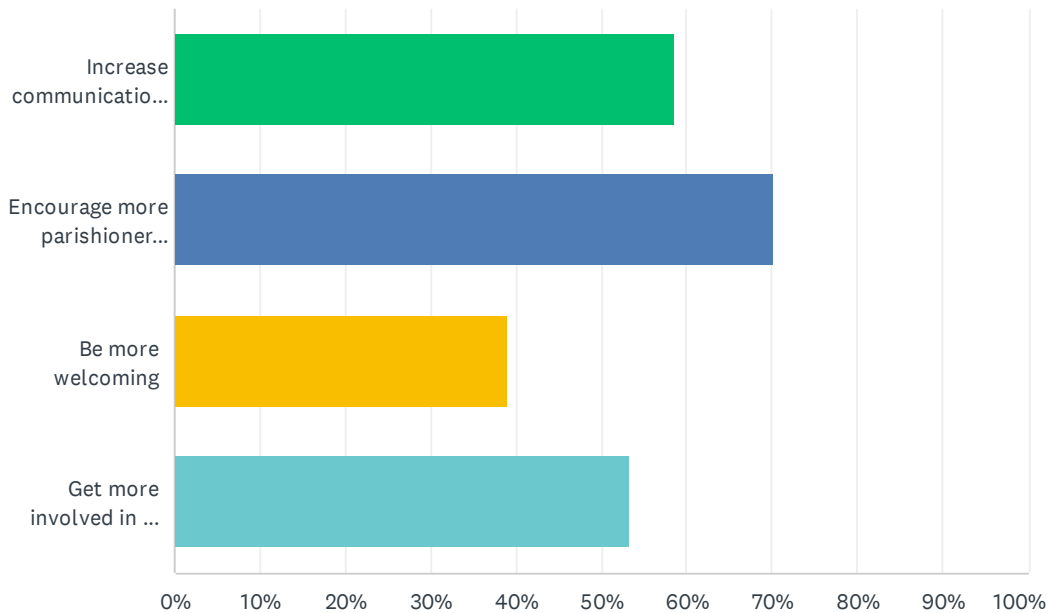


## Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament

	YES	NO	UNSURE	TOTAL
Active Parishioners	72.22% 130	5.56% 10	22.22% 40	180
Inactive Parishioners	15.82% 28	15.25% 27	68.93% 122	177
New Parishioners	35.06% 61	13.79% 24	51.15% 89	174
Shut-In Parishioners	28.16% 49	9.20% 16	62.64% 109	174
Non-Catholic Spouses	16.96% 29	7.60% 13	75.44% 129	171
The Local Community	44.19% 76	9.88% 17	45.93% 79	172
The Poor	69.54% 121	4.02% 7	26.44% 46	174
Other Christian Churches	19.53% 33	9.47% 16	71.01% 120	169
Other Religions	15.38% 26	8.88% 15	75.74% 128	169
Parish Children/Youth	56.73% 97	8.77% 15	34.50% 59	171

## Q28 What more can we do as a parish to reach out to those in need? (Check all that apply)

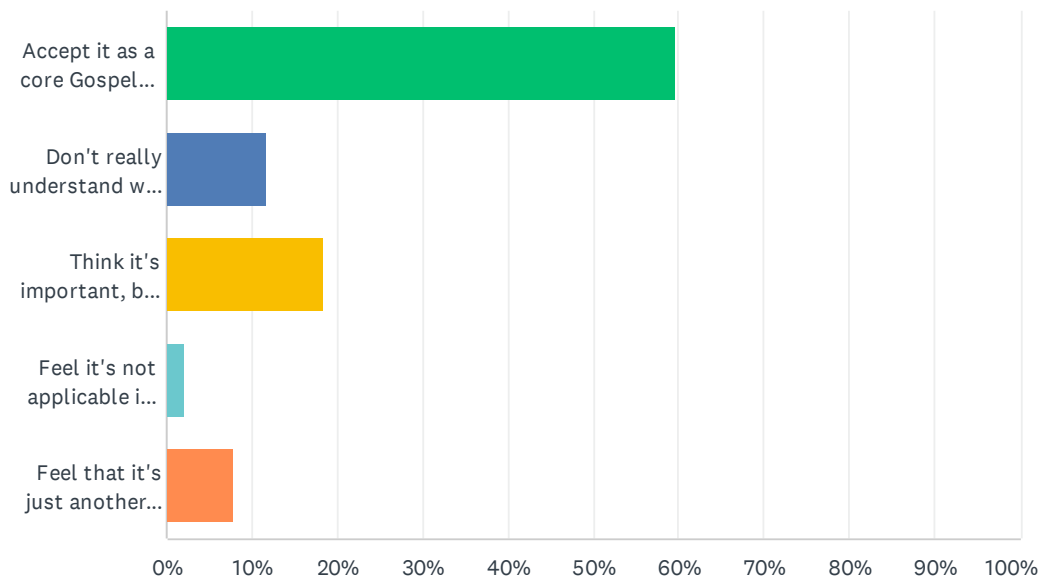
Answered: 167 Skipped: 83



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Increase communications about parish ministries	58.68%	98
Encourage more parishioner participation	70.06%	117
Be more welcoming	38.92%	65
Get more involved in the community	53.29%	89
Total Respondents: 167		

## Q29 What is your perception of Stewardship (Time, Talent, and Treasure) when it is discussed?

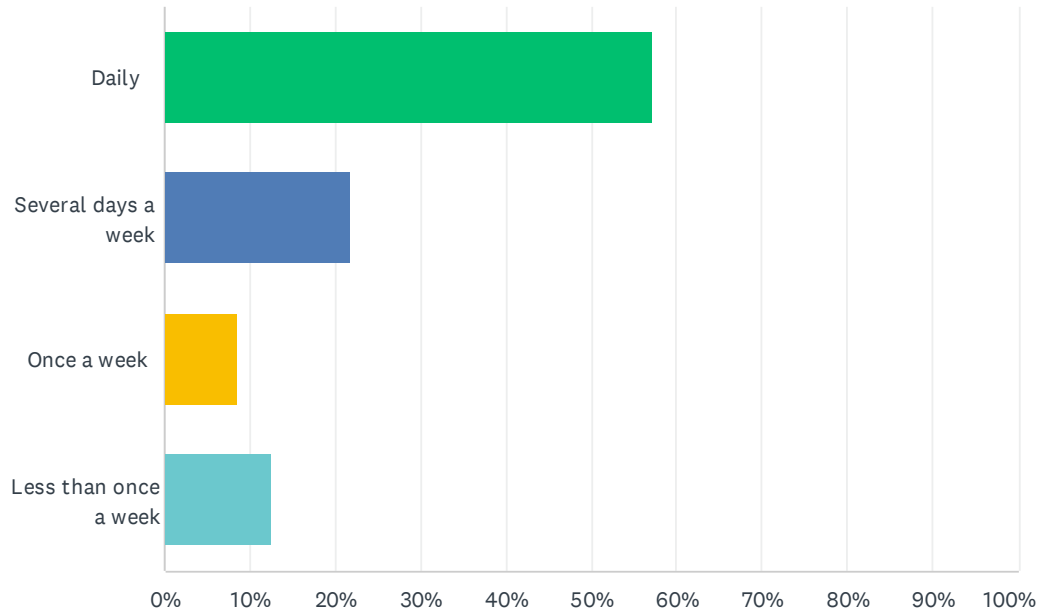
Answered: 179 Skipped: 71



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Accept it as a core Gospel value and carry it out in my life	59.78%	107
Don't really understand what it means	11.73%	21
Think it's important, but find it hard to implement	18.44%	33
Feel it's not applicable in my life	2.23%	4
Feel that it's just another way to discuss fundraising	7.82%	14
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>179</b>

## Q30 How often does your family share a meal?

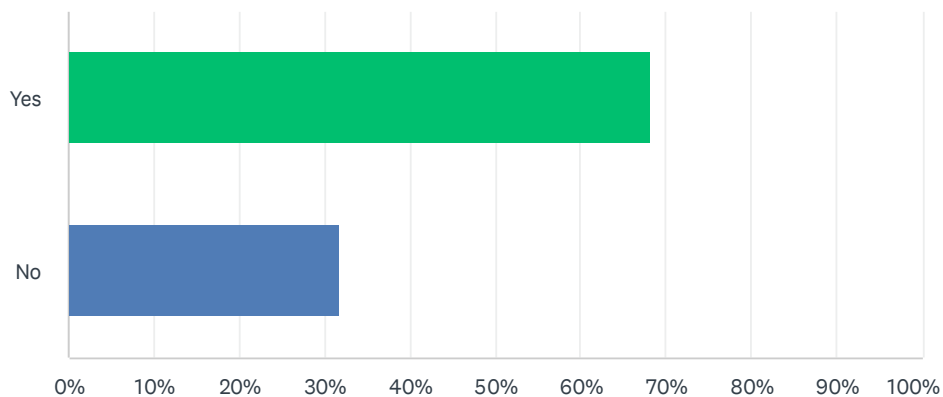
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	57.23%	95
Several days a week	21.69%	36
Once a week	8.43%	14
Less than once a week	12.65%	21
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>166</b>

### Q31 Do you say grace before meals?

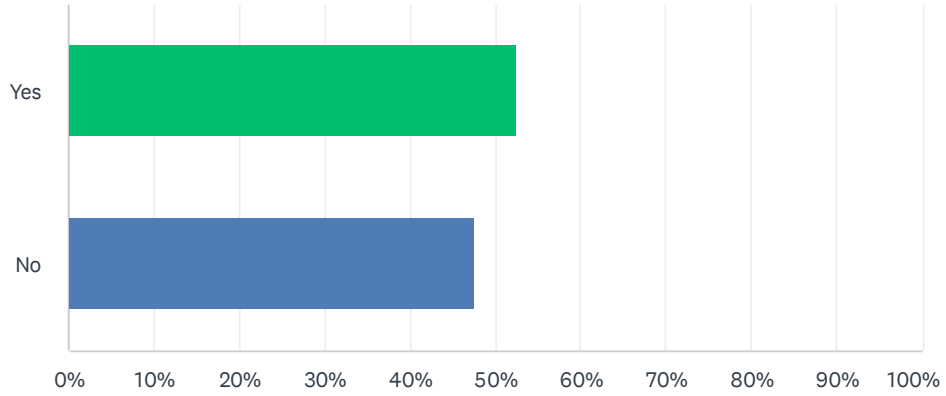
Answered: 176 Skipped: 74



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	68.18%	120
No	31.82%	56
TOTAL		176

### Q32 If you have children at home, do you pray with them on a daily basis (in addition to grace before meals)?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 145

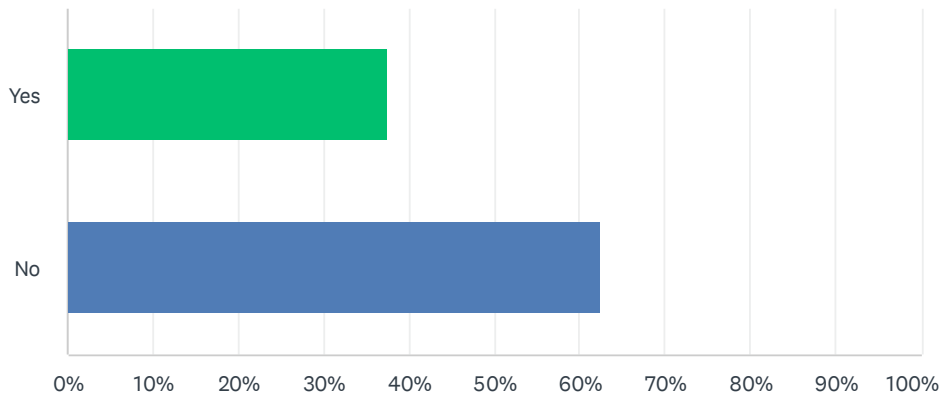


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	52.38%	55
No	47.62%	50
TOTAL		105



### Q33 If you are married, do you pray with your spouse on a daily basis (in addition to grace before meals)?

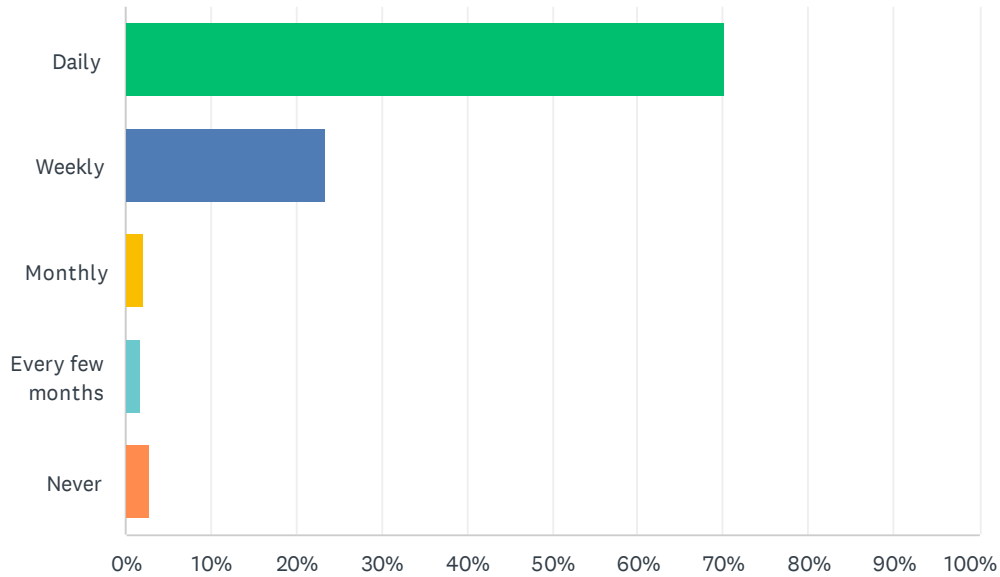
Answered: 120 Skipped: 130



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	37.50%	45
No	62.50%	75
TOTAL		120

### Q34 In addition to Sunday Mass and grace before meals, how often do you set aside time for personal prayer?

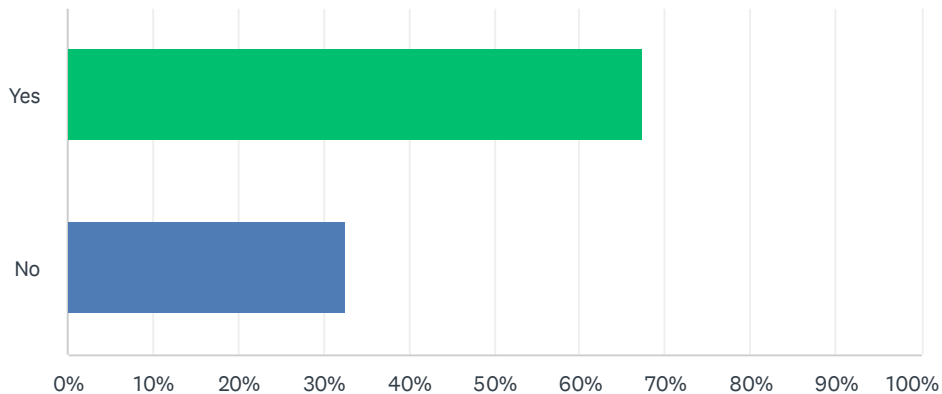
Answered: 184 Skipped: 66



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Daily	70.11%	129
Weekly	23.37%	43
Monthly	2.17%	4
Every few months	1.63%	3
Never	2.72%	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>184</b>

### Q35 If you have children, do you discuss vocations (Religious Life, Single Life, Married Life) within your family?

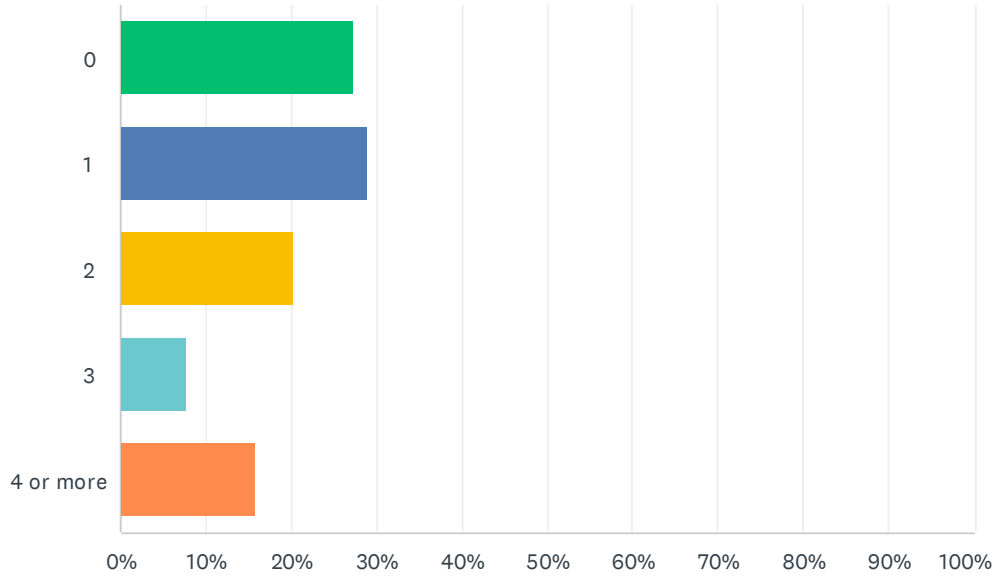
Answered: 104 Skipped: 146



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	67.31%	70
No	32.69%	34
TOTAL		104

### Q36 In how many parish ministries, committees, programs or events are you actively involved?

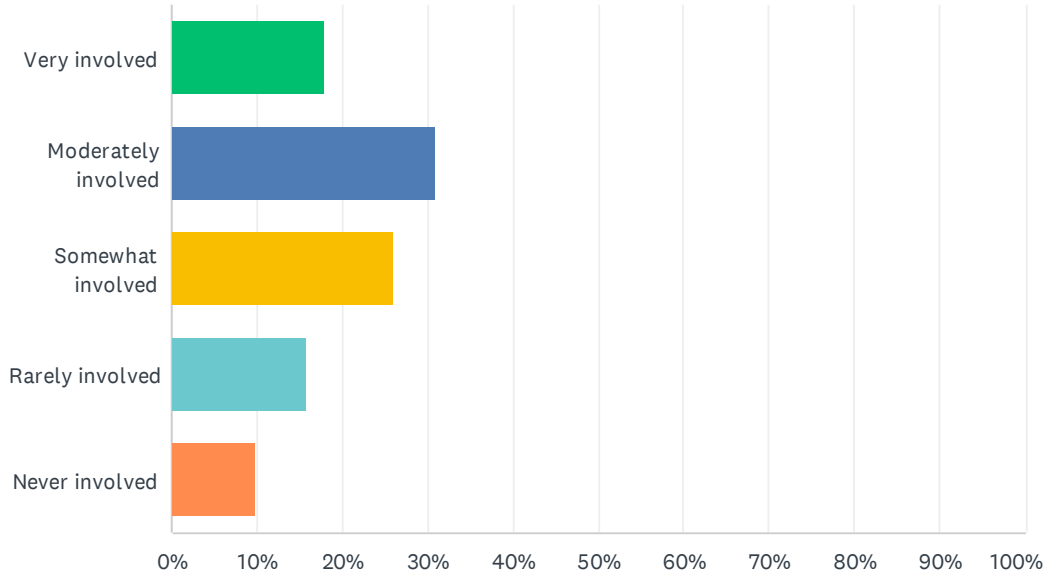
Answered: 183 Skipped: 67



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0	27.32%	50
1	28.96%	53
2	20.22%	37
3	7.65%	14
4 or more	15.85%	29
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>183</b>

### Q37 Beyond participating in weekly Masses, how do you rate your involvement in Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament?

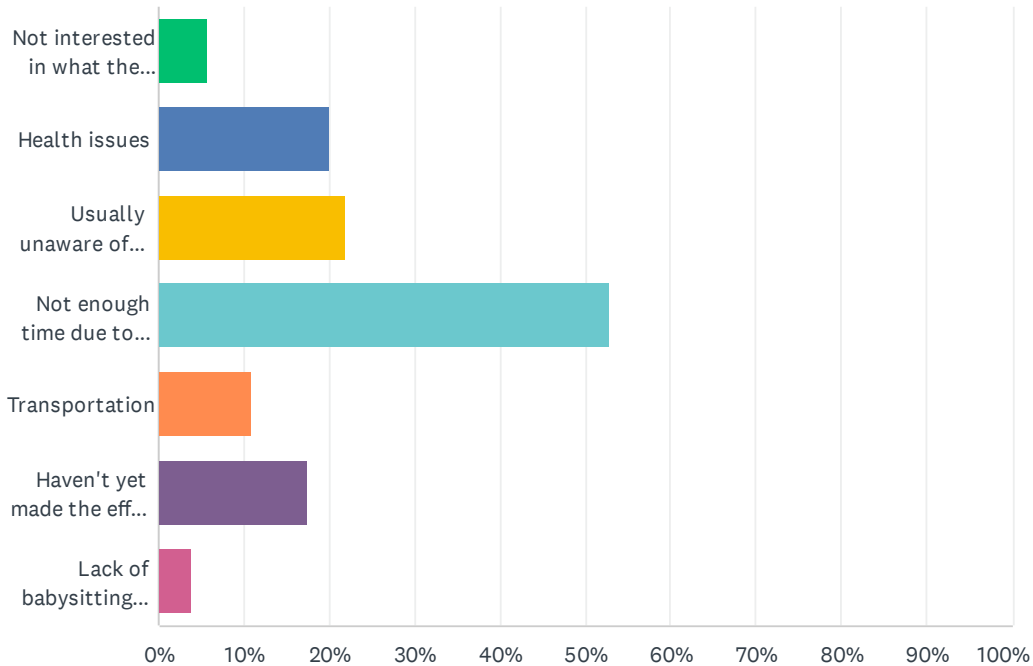
Answered: 185 Skipped: 65



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very involved	17.84%	33
Moderately involved	30.81%	57
Somewhat involved	25.95%	48
Rarely involved	15.68%	29
Never involved	9.73%	18
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>185</b>

## Q38 What single reason (if any) has most prevented you from more participation in parish ministries?

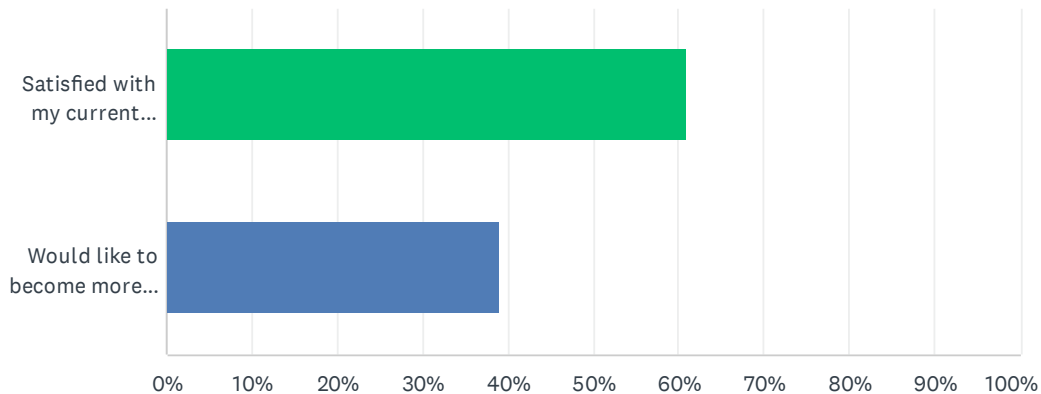
Answered: 155 Skipped: 95



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not interested in what the parish offers	5.81%	9
Health issues	20.00%	31
Usually unaware of opportunities within the parish	21.94%	34
Not enough time due to family and work responsibilities	52.90%	82
Transportation	10.97%	17
Haven't yet made the effort to get involved	17.42%	27
Lack of babysitting services	3.87%	6
Total Respondents: 155		

### Q39 Are you satisfied with your PERSONAL level of involvement in parish ministries?

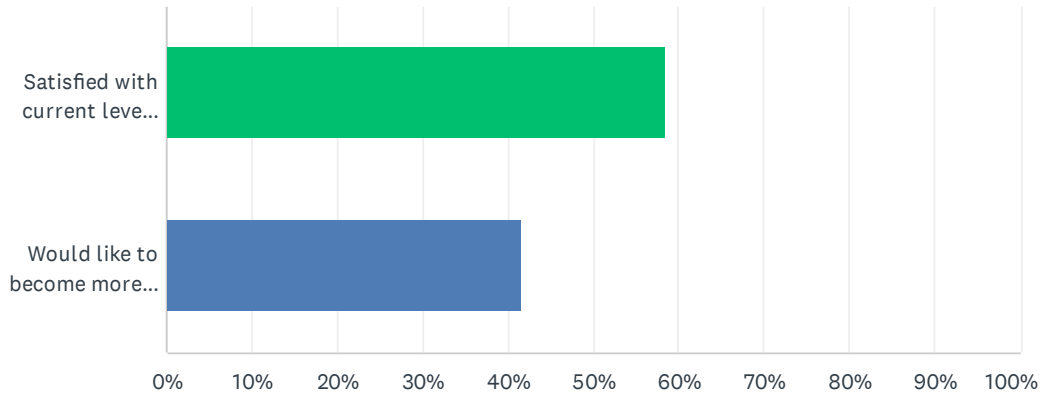
Answered: 177 Skipped: 73



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Satisfied with my current level of involvement	61.02%	108
Would like to become more involved	38.98%	69
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>177</b>

## Q40 Are you satisfied with your FAMILY'S level of involvement in parish ministries?

Answered: 130 Skipped: 120

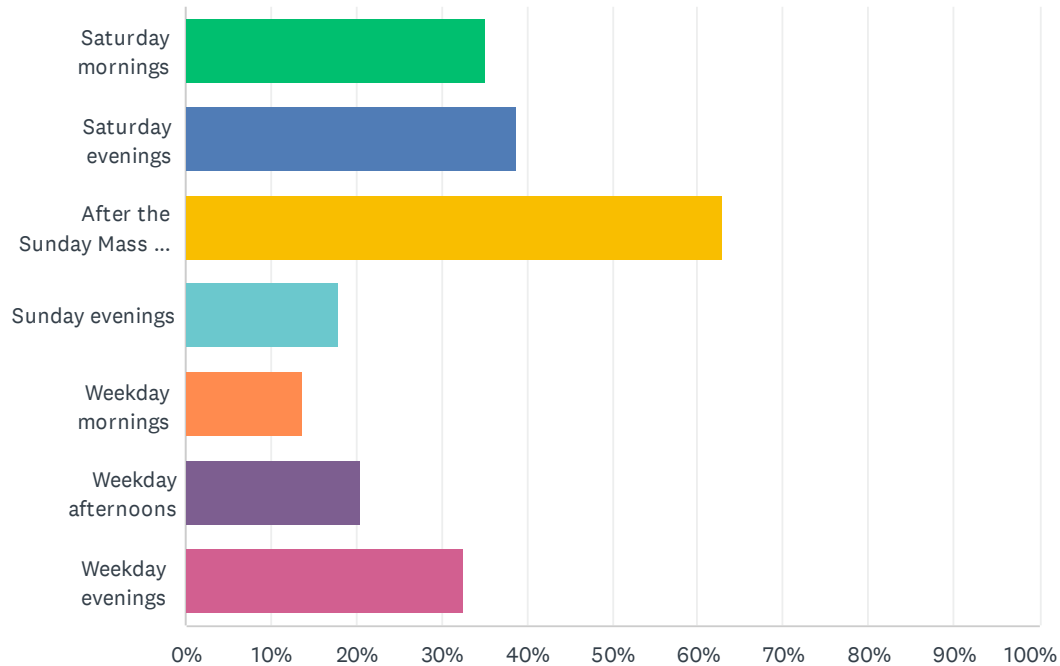


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Satisfied with current level of involvement	58.46%	76
Would like to become more involved	41.54%	54
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>130</b>



### Q41 At what times would you most likely be able to attend parish functions? (Check all that apply)

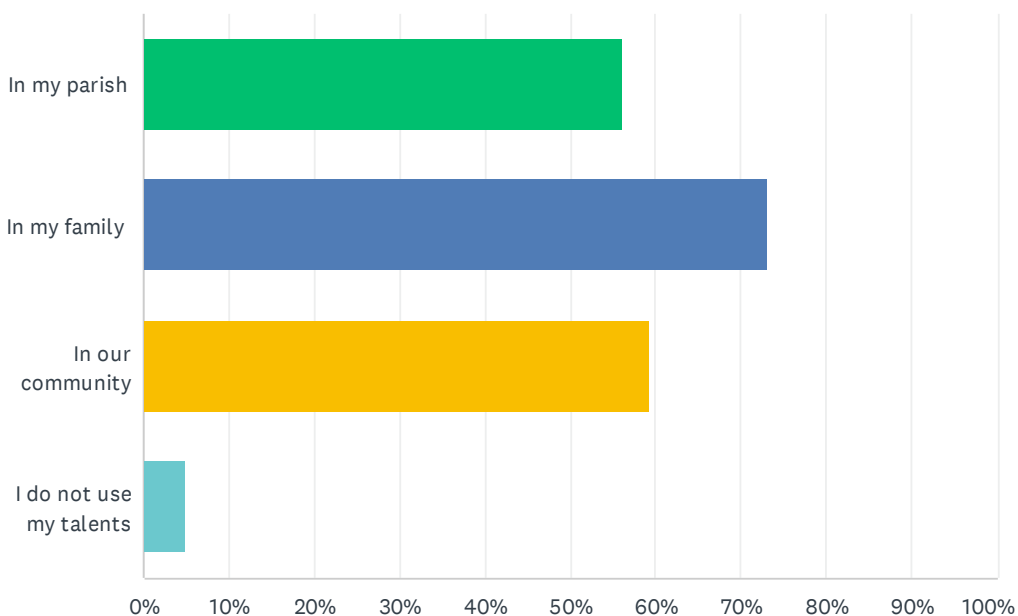
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Saturday mornings	35.19%	57
Saturday evenings	38.89%	63
After the Sunday Mass I attend	62.96%	102
Sunday evenings	17.90%	29
Weekday mornings	13.58%	22
Weekday afternoons	20.37%	33
Weekday evenings	32.72%	53
Total Respondents: 162		

### Q42 I use the talents God blessed me with: (Check all the apply)

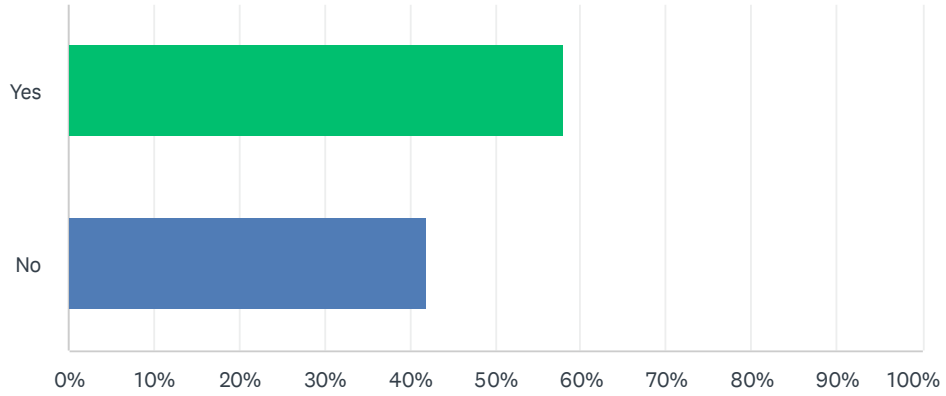
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
In my parish	56.04%	102
In my family	73.08%	133
In our community	59.34%	108
I do not use my talents	4.95%	9
Total Respondents: 182		

### Q43 Do you share your talents with other organizations, such a charitable organization, etc.?

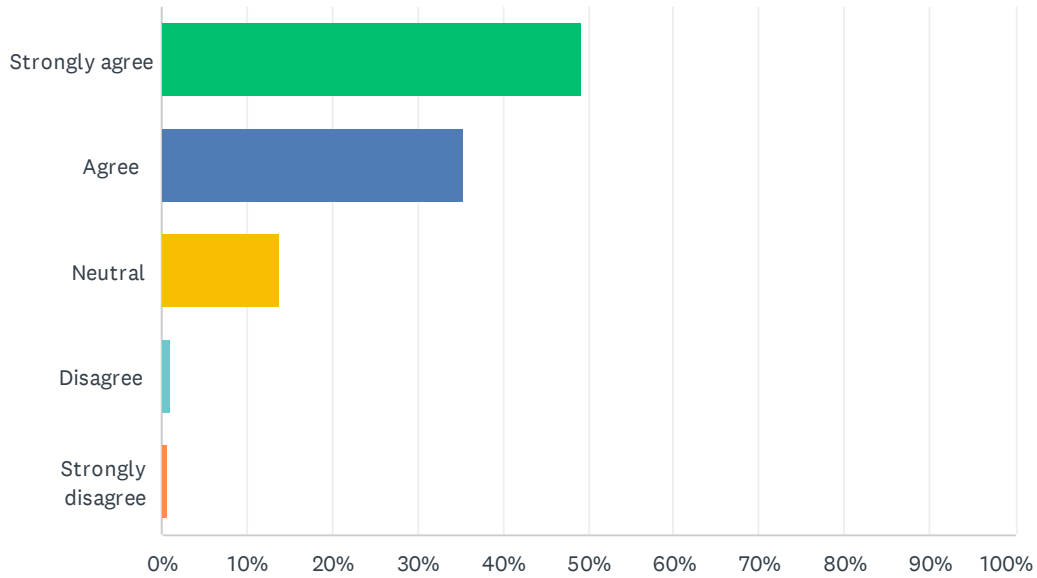
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	58.05%	101
No	41.95%	73
TOTAL		174

### Q44 Each parishioner is responsible for supporting our parish financially.

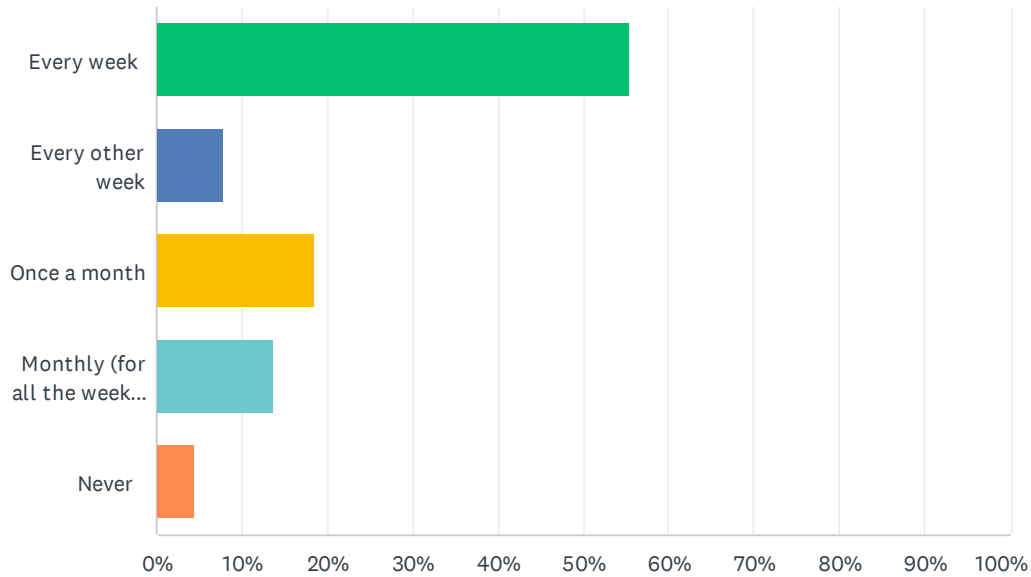
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	49.20%	92
Agree	35.29%	66
Neutral	13.90%	26
Disagree	1.07%	2
Strongly disagree	0.53%	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>187</b>

## Q45 How often do you make financial contributions to Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament?

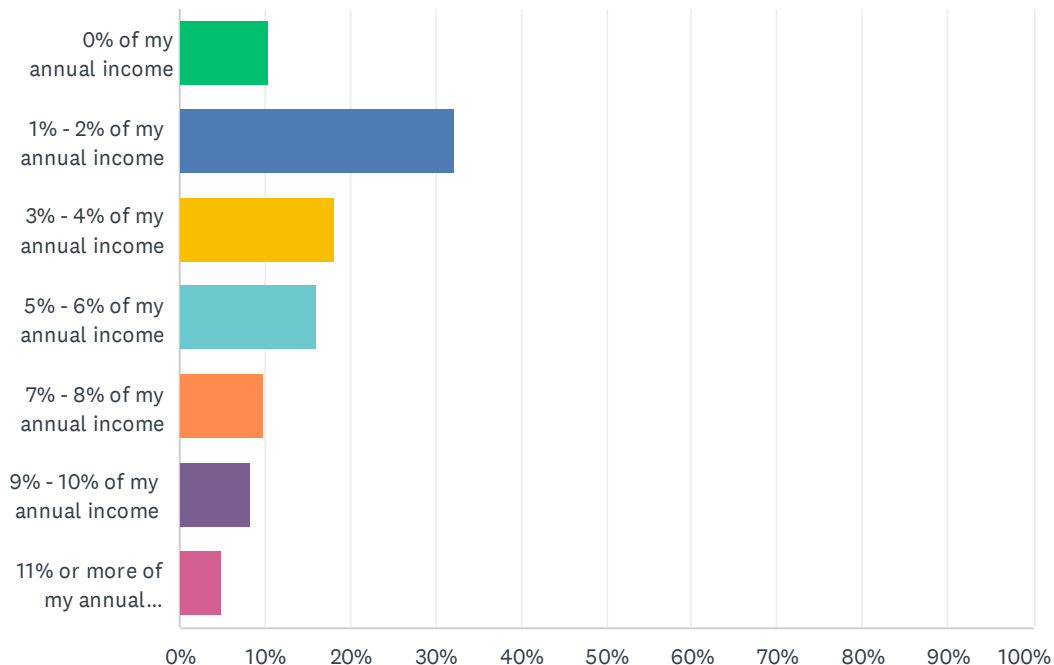
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Every week	55.37%	98
Every other week	7.91%	14
Once a month	18.64%	33
Monthly (for all the weeks in the month)	13.56%	24
Never	4.52%	8
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>177</b>

## Q46 My household's gross annual financial contribution to the parish offertory represents:

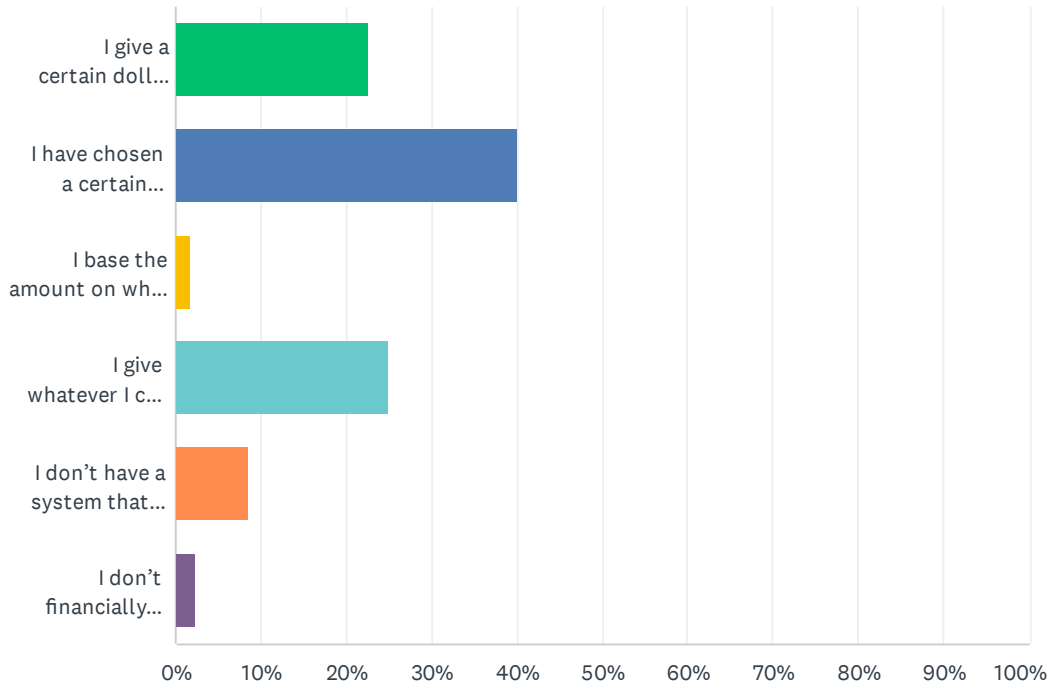
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0% of my annual income	10.49%	15
1% - 2% of my annual income	32.17%	46
3% - 4% of my annual income	18.18%	26
5% - 6% of my annual income	16.08%	23
7% - 8% of my annual income	9.79%	14
9% - 10% of my annual income	8.39%	12
11% or more of my annual income	4.90%	7
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>143</b>

## Q47 How do you determine the amount you contribute in the offertory collection?

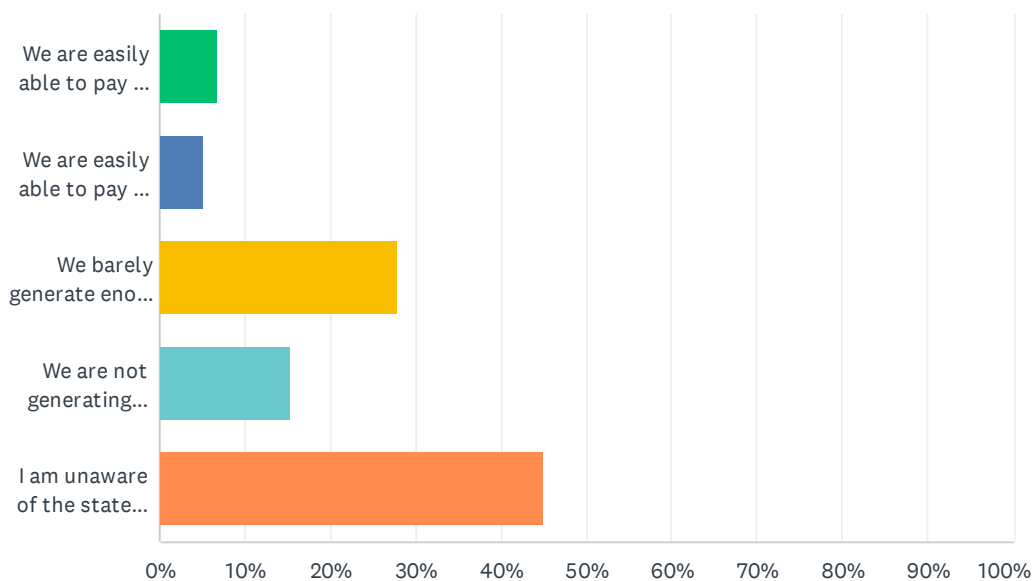
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I give a certain dollar amount based on a percentage of my income.	22.60%	40
I have chosen a certain dollar amount in some other way.	40.11%	71
I base the amount on what I think the parish needs.	1.69%	3
I give whatever I can afford that week.	24.86%	44
I don't have a system that determines how much I give.	8.47%	15
I don't financially support the parish.	2.26%	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>177</b>

## Q48 What is your perception of our parish's current financial position?

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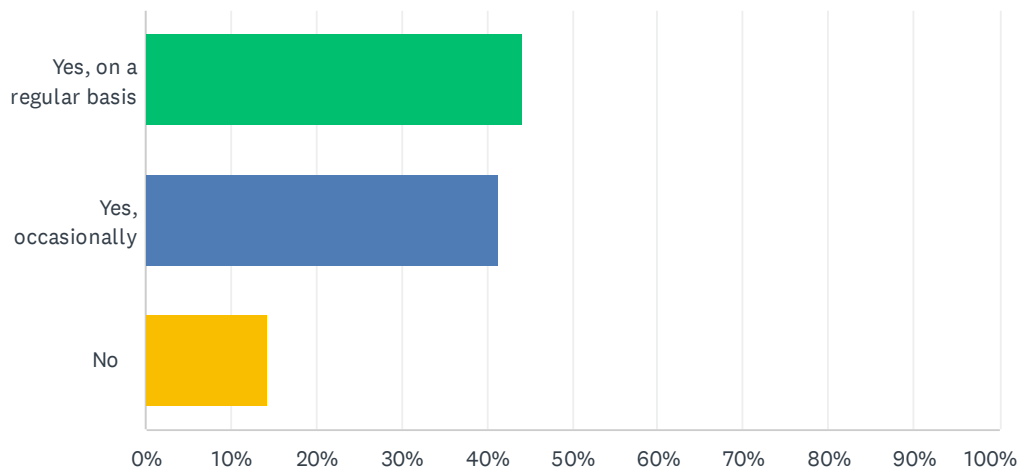


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
We are easily able to pay our operating bills and put aside money in savings.	6.82%	12
We are easily able to pay our operating bills.	5.11%	9
We barely generate enough revenue to pay our operating bills.	27.84%	49
We are not generating enough revenue to pay our operating bills.	15.34%	27
I am unaware of the state of our parish finances..	44.89%	79
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>176</b>



### Q49 In addition to the parish, I contribute to charities and other needy organizations.

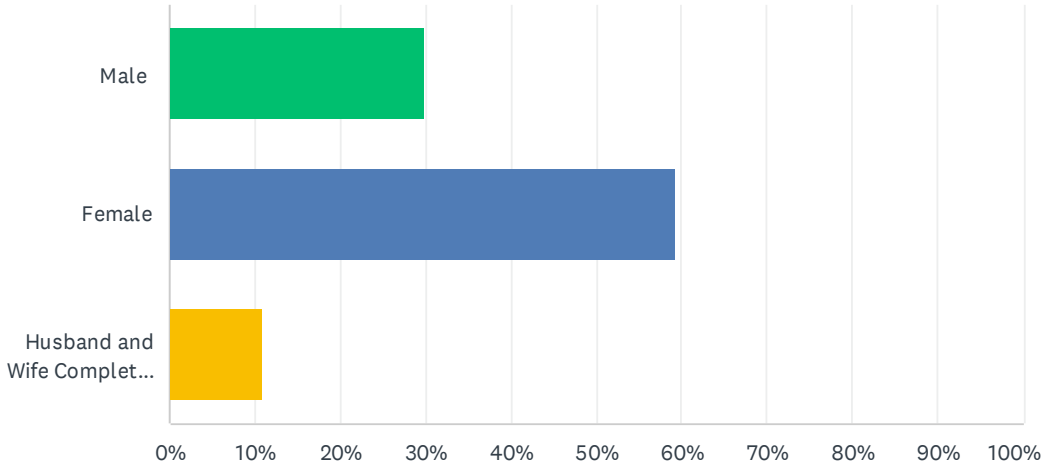
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, on a regular basis	44.20%	80
Yes, occasionally	41.44%	75
No	14.36%	26
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>181</b>

### Q50 Gender

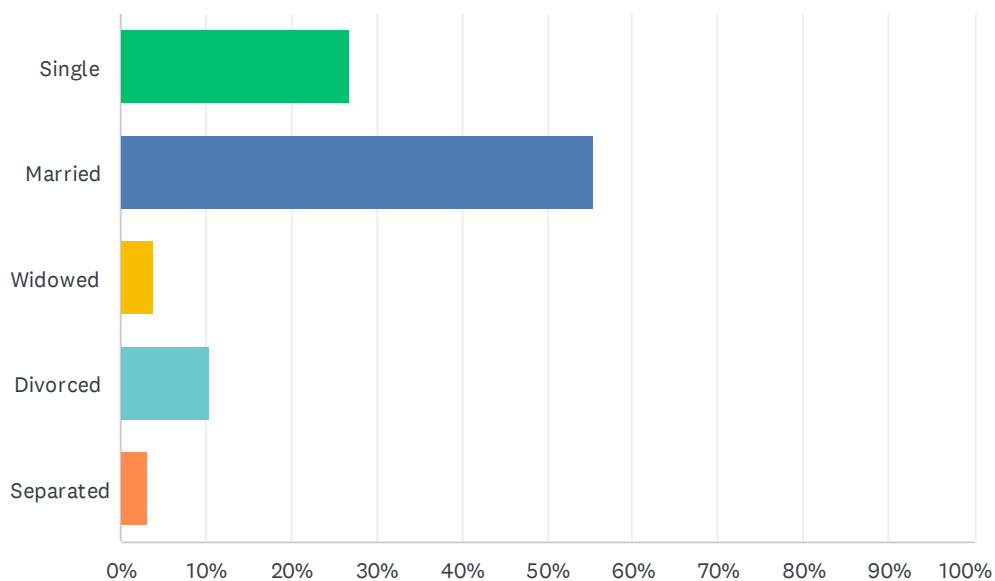
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Male	29.89%	55
Female	59.24%	109
Husband and Wife Completed Together	10.87%	20
TOTAL		184

## Q51 Marital Status (Check one)

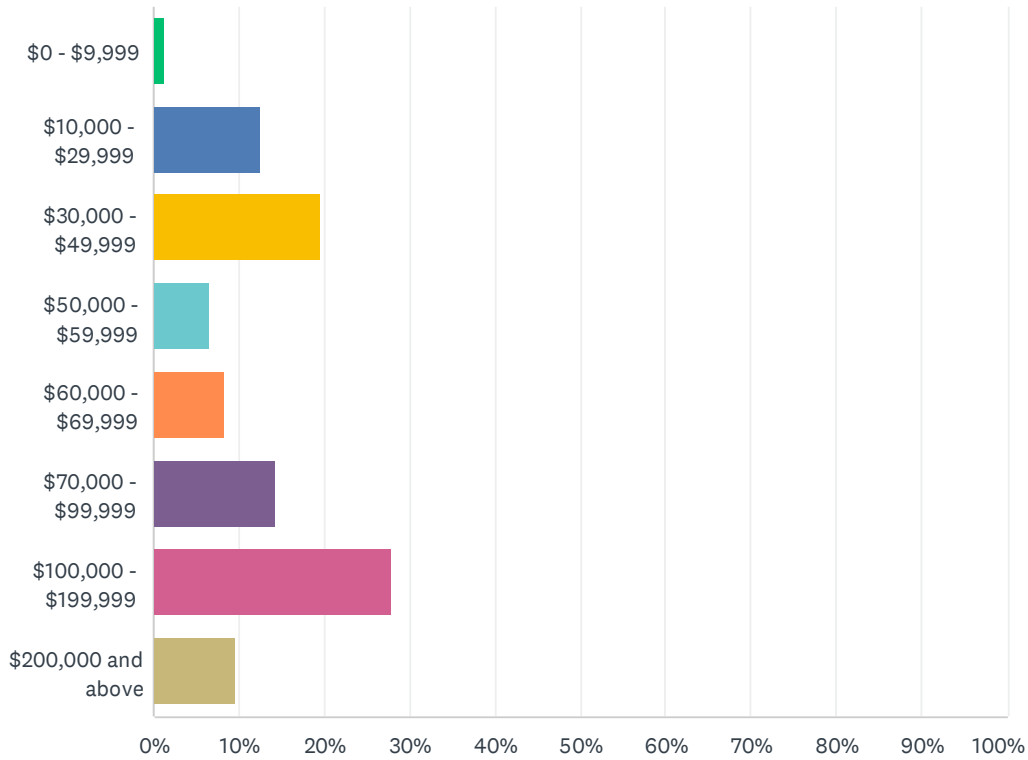
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Single	26.92%	49
Married	55.49%	101
Widowed	3.85%	7
Divorced	10.44%	19
Separated	3.30%	6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>182</b>

## Q52 What is your annual household income?

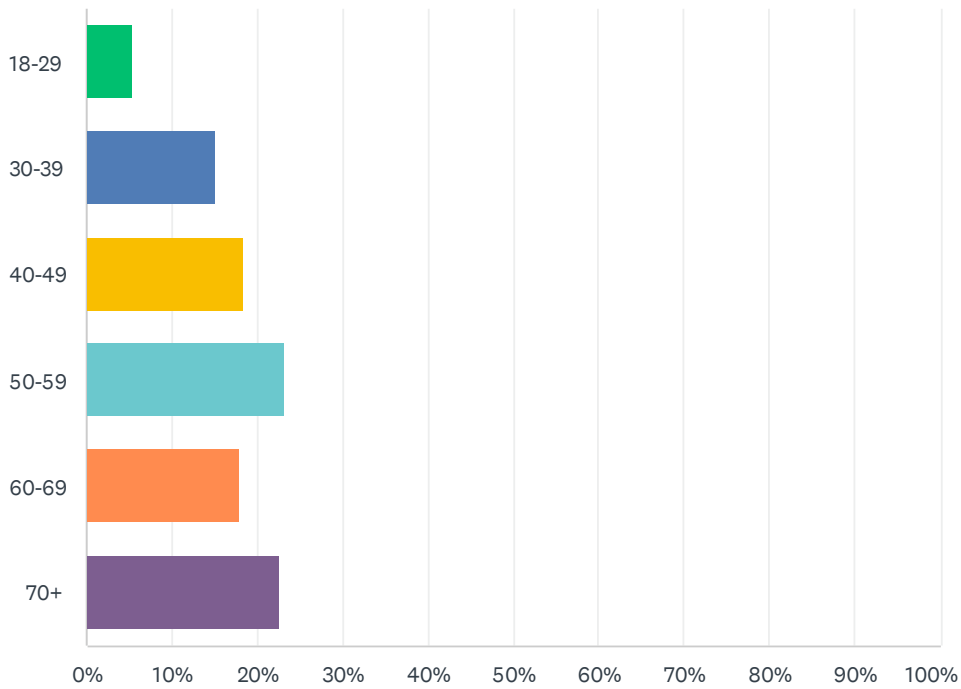
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
\$0 - \$9,999	1.19% 2
\$10,000 - \$29,999	12.50% 21
\$30,000 - \$49,999	19.64% 33
\$50,000 - \$59,999	6.55% 11
\$60,000 - \$69,999	8.33% 14
\$70,000 - \$99,999	14.29% 24
\$100,000 - \$199,999	27.98% 47
\$200,000 and above	9.52% 16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>168</b>

### Q53 Age (You may check more than one box if husband and wife completed the survey together)

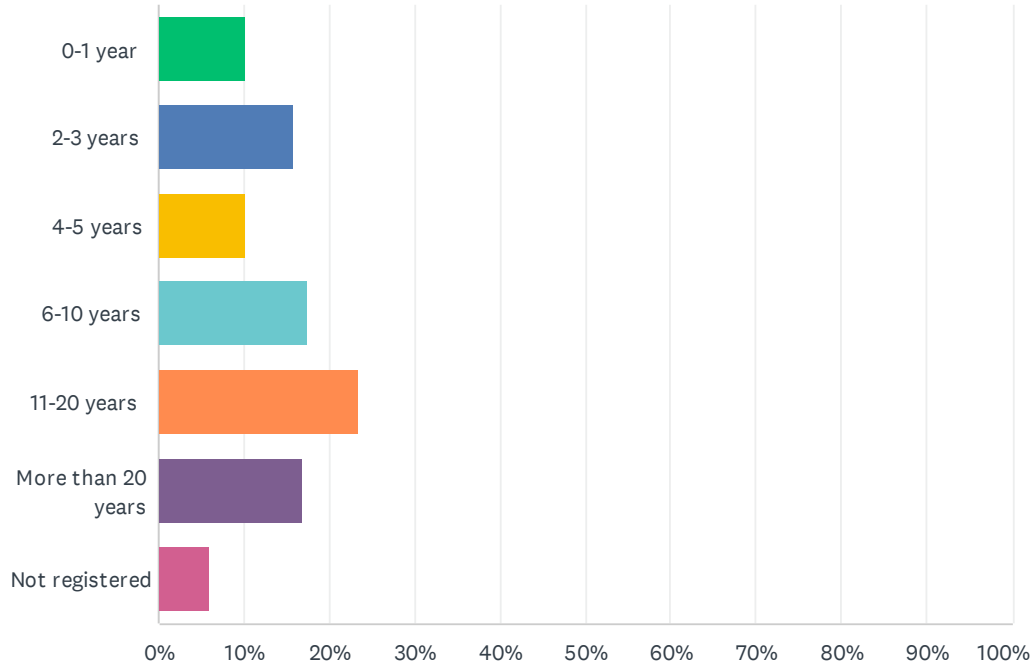
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
18-29	5.41%	10
30-39	15.14%	28
40-49	18.38%	34
50-59	23.24%	43
60-69	17.84%	33
70+	22.70%	42
Total Respondents: 185		

## Q54 How long have you been a registered parishioner at Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament?

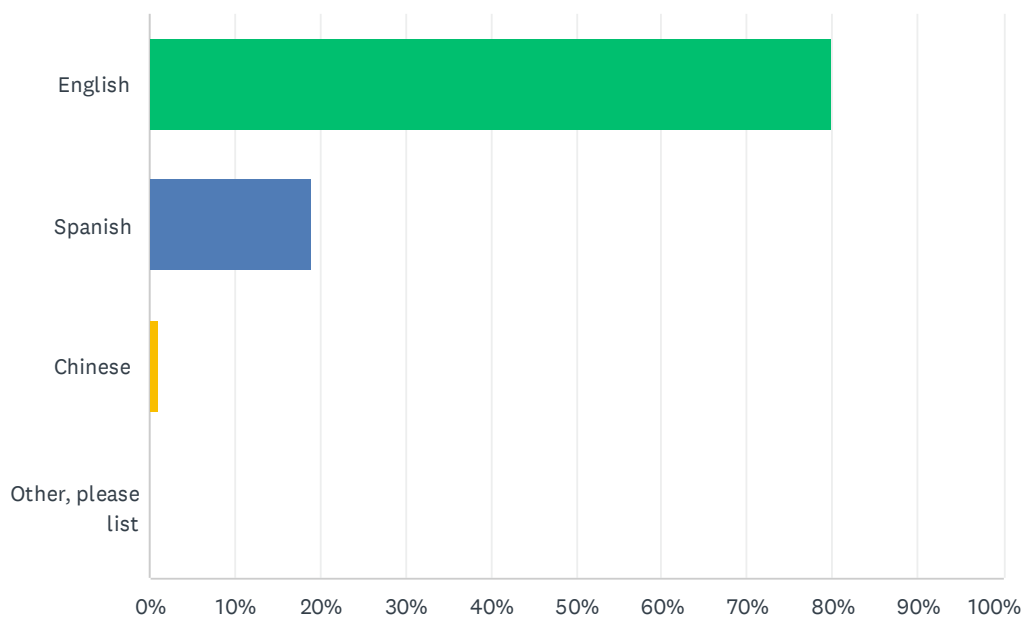
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-1 year	10.33%	19
2-3 years	15.76%	29
4-5 years	10.33%	19
6-10 years	17.39%	32
11-20 years	23.37%	43
More than 20 years	16.85%	31
Not registered	5.98%	11
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>184</b>

## Q55 What is your language preference?

Answered: 184 Skipped: 66



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
English	79.89%	147
Spanish	19.02%	35
Chinese	1.09%	2
Other, please list	0.00%	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>184</b>

Q56 The things I like best about Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament are...

Answered: 149 Skipped: 101



## Q57 I wish Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament would...

Answered: 124 Skipped: 126



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