

Key Leader Perspective

Additional insights from parishioners who report being heavily involved in the life of the parish.

By default, the report shows the responses of these parishioners. To see the responses of all parishioners who responded, regardless of their involvement with the parish, check the "show all respondent answers" checkbox.

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Show all respondent answers

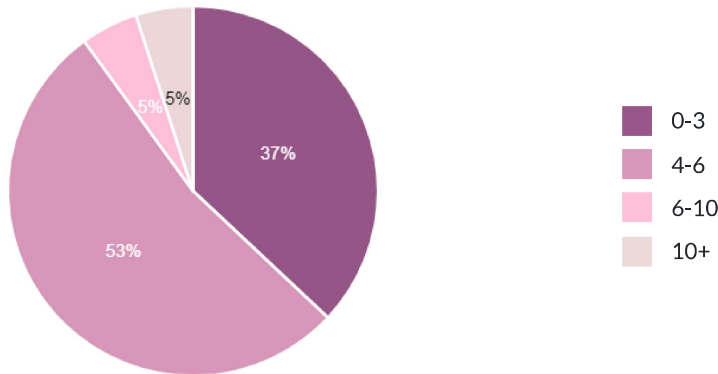
(Optional) Filter the responses to this question by a particular demographic by selecting a question and associated response below

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Select a response ▾

About You

1. In the last year, how many different parish-based ministries or parish-based organizations have you participated in?

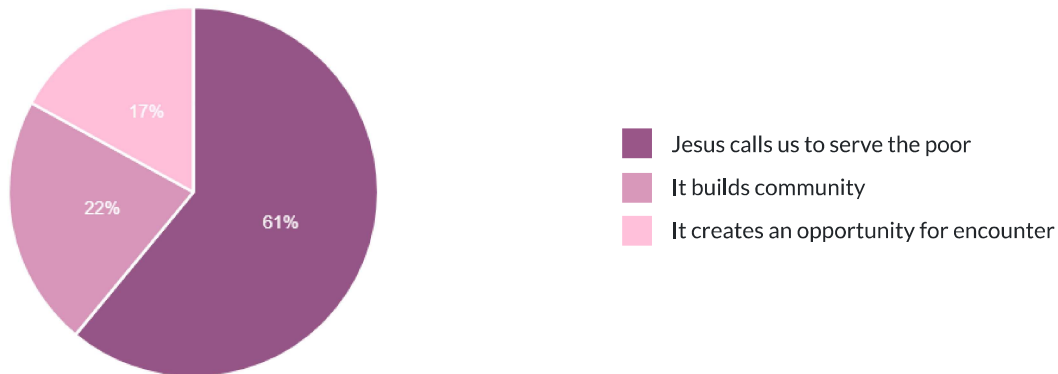


2. Of all the below factors that might keep someone connected in the life of a parish, **check 3** that are most influential in your **current experience** with the parish:

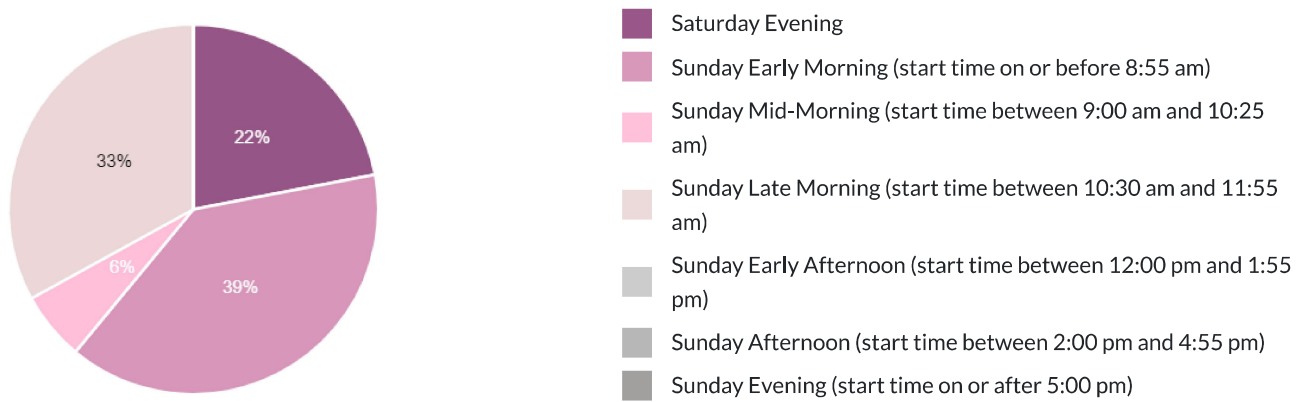
- 13 Celebration of the Eucharist
- 12 Relationship with other parishioners

- 5 Relationship with the pastor(s)
- 5 Hospitality and Welcome
- 4 Parish-organized service and outreach to the community
- 4 Regular access to Eucharistic Adoration and Confession
- 3 Parish-hosted or sponsored retreats
- 3 Parish-supported faith sharing opportunities (e.g. small groups, bible study)
- 2 Prayer and Worship (outside of Mass)
- 2 Intentional Invitation (e.g. by pastor or parish staff, ministry sign-up weekends)
- 2 Parish care and support for life events (e.g. death/illness, weddings, family issue)
- 1 Parish-hosted social events

3. What is the most important reason to encourage community service in my parish?



4. What is the Mass time you most frequently attend at your parish on the weekend?



About Leadership

5. If you could only select 5, which of the following expectations of a pastor for **your community** would be **most** important: (check 5)

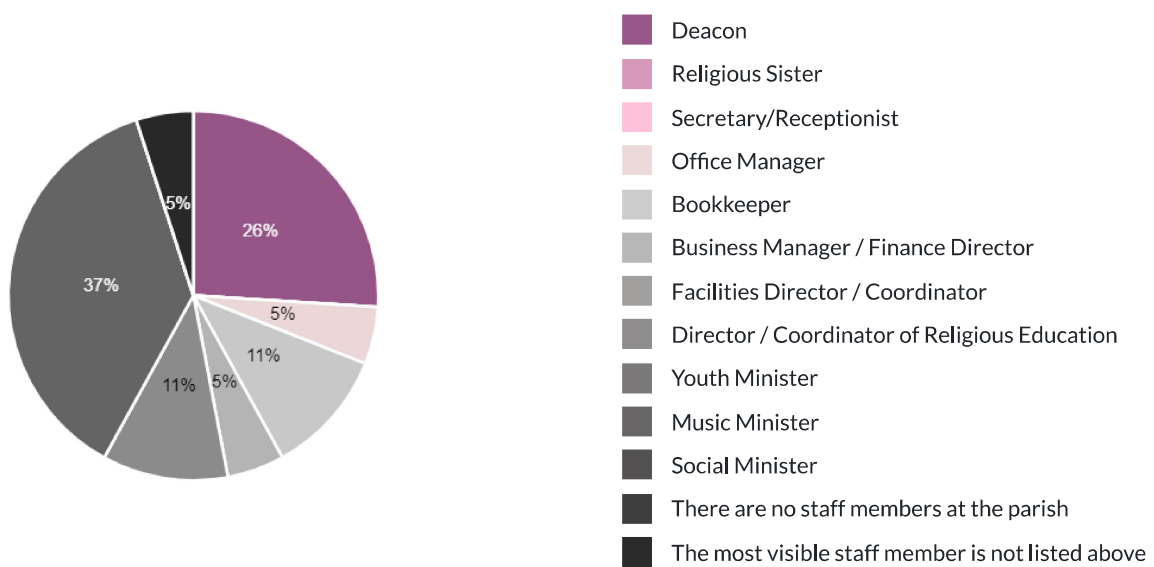
- 13 Preaching homilies
- 12 Celebrating the sacraments
- 11 Providing spiritual direction/counsel
- 10 Teaching the faith
- 9 Providing pastoral care
- 7 Setting Vision and Direction
- 6 Empowering service and outreach to the poor
- 5 Managing staff and volunteers
- 5 Managing finances
- 5 Overseeing care for the facilities
- 4 Modeling personal prayer life
- 3 Forming your people
- 3 Managing Catholic Schools
- 0 Promoting Stewardship
- 0 Raising money

6. Select the **two** most important things you would want to take away from a homily at your parish.

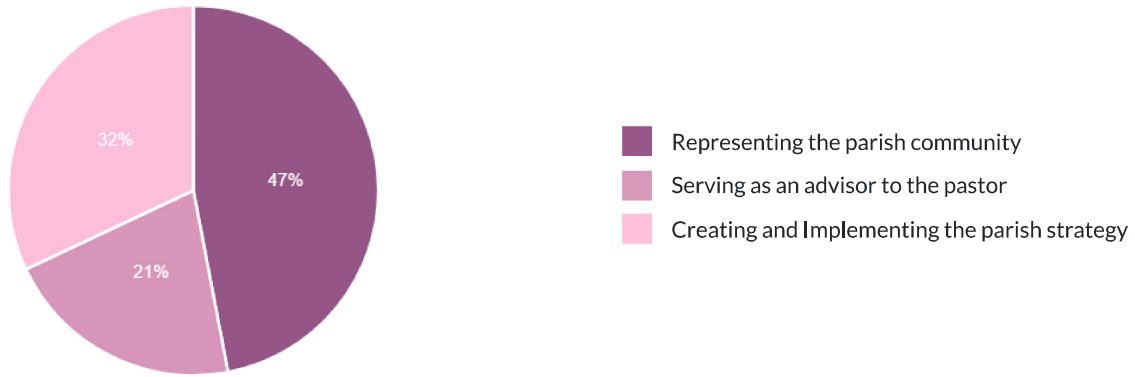
- 7 Hope

- 7 Relevance
- 6 Joy
- 6 Desire to Grow Spiritually
- 4 Knowledge
- 4 Love for Scripture
- 3 Truth
- 1 Call to Action

7. Besides the pastor and any other priests in the parish, who is the most visible staff member at the parish?



8. The most important role of the Pastoral Council is:



9. A bishop wears many hats. Select the **two** most important hats that he wears.

- 14 Spiritual shepherd to the faithful
- 10 Spiritual father to priests
- 6 The Chief Executive of the Diocese
- 5 Guardian of the faith
- 3 Voice of social conscience

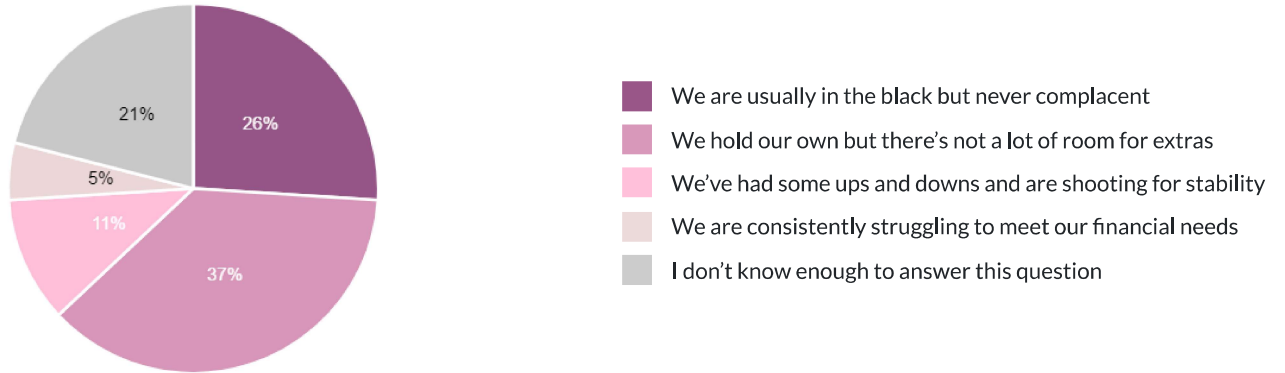
About the Parish

10. All parishes have opportunities for growth. If you could **only select 3 of the following things** that the parish needs more of, which would they be.

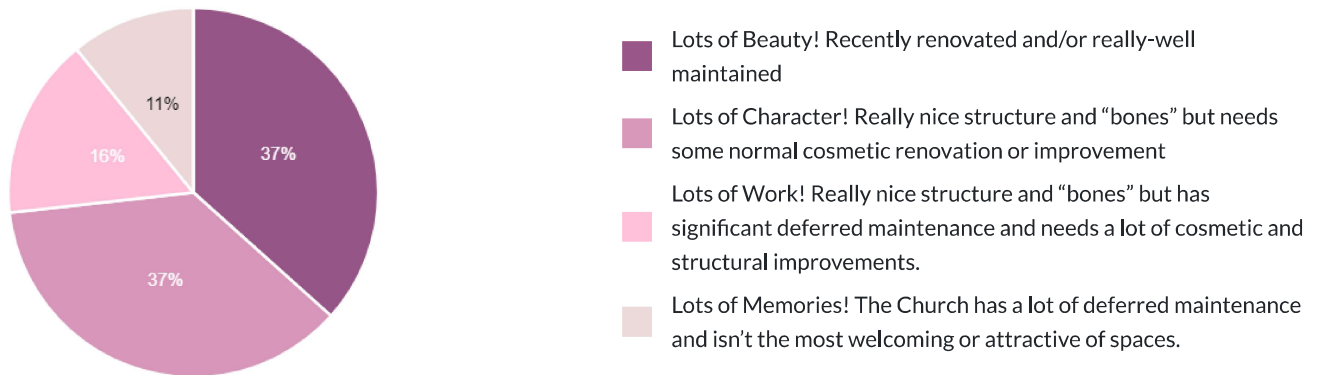
- 14 More young people involved
- 10 More volunteers participating in ministries
- 8 More clarity on parish vision, direction, and goals
- 7 More inclusive spirit and welcome
- 4 More contemporary forms of worship
- 3 More money for parish needs
- 3 More lay involvement in decision making and leadership
- 2 More catechesis on Church teaching
- 1 More transparency (e.g. finances and decisions)
- 1 More paid professional staff
- 1 More savvy communication strategies

0 More traditional forms of worship

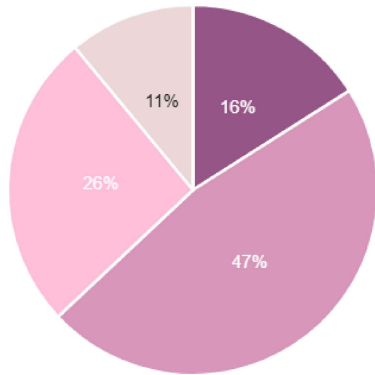
11. Which would best describe your assessment of the financial health of the parish?



12. Which would best describe your assessment of the physical shape of your Church building?

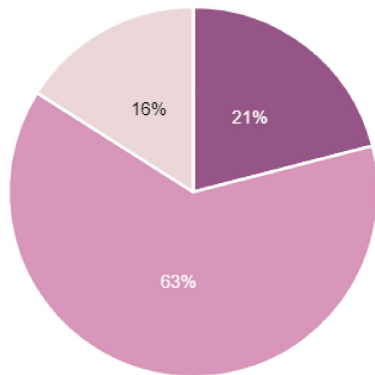


13. Which would best describe your assessment of the physical shape of the other buildings and property outside the Church building (e.g. rectory, parking lot, parish center, etc)?



- Great! We have sufficient space for our needs and everything is in good shape
- Good! We could use some more space and there are a few projects that need attending to, but it is well within the parish's reach
- We make it work! Our current space limits us in our ministries and communities and we don't have sufficient resources to improve it at this time
- Help! We need significant work to continue to make this a welcoming and fruitful place for our community

14. What is your most preferred method of bringing others closer to Christ?

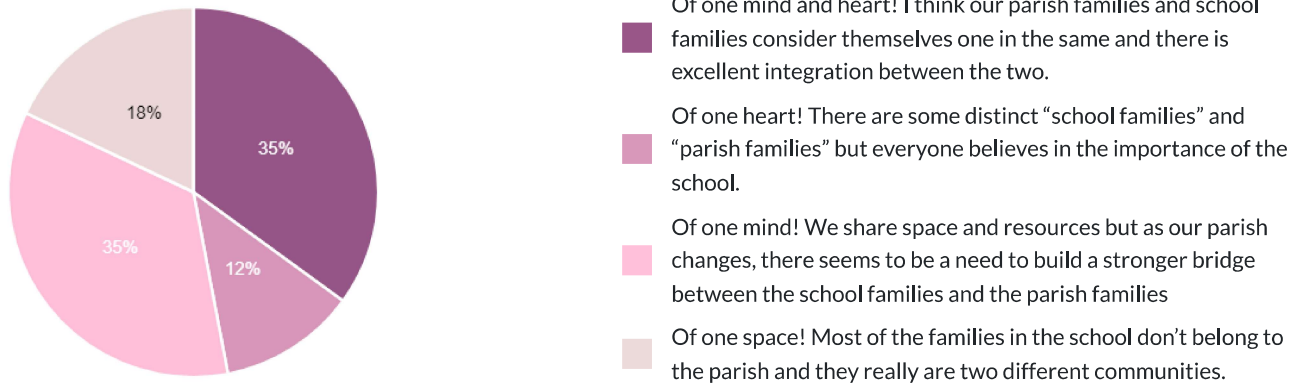


- One-to-one conversation
- Leading by example
- Going door to door to invite others
- Being visible in the community

15. To what degree do you think your parish needs to change in order to best fulfill its mission in the next 5 years.



16. Please select the phrase that best describes the relationship between your parish elementary/middle school and the parish from your perspective?



17. Rank **the community values** that would best describe the culture of your parish community. (1 being the highest preference)

- 1.6 Access to the sacraments and worship
- 3.6 Parish Traditions

- 3.7 Social Justice
- 3.1 Prayerfulness
- 4.1 Family Focused
- 4.4 Service and Outreach
- 4.7 Stewardship
- 4.7 Diversity and Inclusion
- 4.9 Sharing the Faith with others