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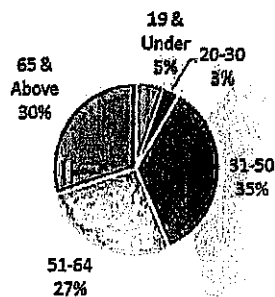
2018 Parish Survey Summary

In the fall of 2018, we asked for parishioner feedback in the form of a survey. The Parish Pastoral Team, Visioning, Communications and Parish Pastoral Council worked together to develop and execute the survey in accordance with our Mission (Building Disciples Who Build Disciples) and Vision (Rooted in Faith; Living In Service; Growing Disciples) in order to understand how to best serve the needs of our parish family and the larger community. We thank all who participated, and your feedback will play an integral part in the development of our new Parish Pastoral Plan for 2020-2025. The Parish Pastoral Plan is our guiding document for all activities in the parish. The diocese establishes goals in accordance with current teachings, and it is the responsibility of the Parish Pastoral Councils of each parish to create objectives to suit the unique needs of our community. A summary of the 42 pages of the raw survey data results in the form of statistics, themes and next steps is provided below.

Survey Statistics

A total of 214 total responses were received (10% of registered parishioners). Respondent age is visualized in the following graph:

How old are you?



73% of respondents were female and 71% were married. 47% of participants identified as parents of adult children. There was a consistent balance of respondents from all three masses and the reason for choosing a given mass was convenience with individual schedules.

"What we Heard"

Music, music, music! Singing is like praying twice and the importance of music was reiterated throughout the responses. Music is an integral part of the worship experience and when used as part of the liturgy experience, requires a mixture of traditional hymns with contemporary praise and worship.

Homilies too took a central position in responses, the grounding to one's faith and food for the journey in the week ahead and its relevance to everyday life reiterated the importance of the message at mass.

We have also heard the importance of our continued outreach initiatives at both the local and larger community/global level. As well as the need for continued ministry and services to all age groups (from youth initiatives to those geared to seniors) and the importance of faith development and education as a life long journey. We have received an overwhelming number of suggestions, concerns, successes, wins and losses that we will continue to review, unpack, and discern as we develop our Parish Pastoral Plan.

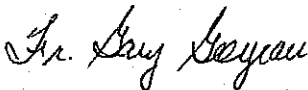
Next Steps

Taking from the summary above, the Parish Pastoral Team, Parish Pastoral Council and other groups within the church will endeavour to:

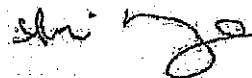
- Discern and implement what we heard into the Parish Pastoral Plan, which will be released in the Fall of 2019 and will serve as our foundation for the next 5 years;
- Maintain committed to our Mission and Vision using the survey responses as a way to calibrate any decisions being made;
- Conduct another survey within the next five years to again take the current "pulse" of the parish and continue to strive for continuous improvement in all we do.

We thank you once again for your valuable feedback. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to a member of the Parish Pastoral Team or Parish Pastoral Council.

Yours in Christ,



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