

Saints Cyril & Methodius Parish Life Survey

This survey will help SSCM better understand the needs of its parishioners and help build a plan for the future.

THANK YOU!

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Instructions:

- Each parishioner, age 16 and older, is invited to take the survey.
- Your *individual* response is extremely important (husband, wife, and child should answer separately).
- There is space next to each section for comments, thoughts or suggestions.
- There are three 'thought' questions at the end; we encourage everyone to answer these.
- OPTIONAL: If you add comments you can add your name and phone at the end of the survey in case clarification is needed regarding a comment. The only contact we will make with you is for clarification regarding a comment. Names will be kept confidential within the team working on the survey analysis.
- It is important that we get honest answers, not what you think we want to hear. That is the only way we can plan a future that serves our Lord.

YOUR BACKGROUND:

1. Years as a member of Sts Cyril & Methodius?

- a. 0 -5
- b. 6 - 10
- c. 11 - 20
- d. 21 – 30
- e. 30 +
- f. Guest or Summer Seasonal attendee

COMMENTS / THOUGHTS / SUGGESTIONS

2. Which Mass time do you usually attend at this parish?

Check all that apply.

- a. Saturday afternoon
- b. Sunday morning
- c. Sunday evening (Spanish)
- d. Weekday Masses, when possible
- e. I do **not** regularly attend Mass

3. Which best describes how you came to the Catholic faith

- a. Active Catholic since birth
- b. Not very active Catholic
- c. Returned Catholic
- d. Catholic convert
- e. Non-Catholic

4. Year you were born ____ ____ ____ ____ (4 digit year)

5. Gender: Male _____ Female _____

6. What best describes your current marital status

- a. Single, never married
- b. Divorced or Separated
- c. Married or remarried
- d. Widowed

7. What is your racial or ethnic identity?

- a. White / Caucasian
- b. Hispanic / Latino(a)
- c. American Indian or Native Alaskan
- d. Black / African / African American
- e. Asian / Pacific Islander
- f. Other

8. Highest level of education.

Any that was Catholic

- | | |
|---|--------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> a. Some high school or less (or in-progress) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. High school diploma (or GED) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c. Some college | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> d. Associate's degree | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> e. Bachelor's degree | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> f. Graduate degree | <input type="checkbox"/> |

9. Number of children, step, or grand-children living with you:

_____ **My Spouse or Parents answered this question**
(one answer per household)

Age	COUNT	Attend St Therese Y/N	Attend Religious Ed Y/N	Do You Homeschool? Y/N
Age 12 or younger	_____	_____	_____	_____
Age 13 to 17	_____	_____	_____	_____
Age 18 to 24	_____	_____	_____	_____
25 or older	_____	_____	_____	_____

HELP US EVALUATE OUR FAITH COMMUNITY:

Use these responses for the questions below:

1=Poor **2=**Fair **3=**Good **4=**Excellent

Leave Blank=Not Applicable or Do Not Know

Please **evaluate** **Parish Life (how well are we doing?)**

- | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 10. Parish Life overall |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 11. Sense of community within the parish |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 12. Masses and liturgies in general |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 13. Vision provided by parish leaders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 14. Encouragement to share your time & talents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 15. Stewardship & Financial management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 16. Outreach to and advocacy for those in need |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 17. Spreading the Gospel/evangelizing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 18. Teaching and Faith formation, all ages |

COMMENTS / THOUGHTS / SUGGESTIONS

Please **evaluate** **how well the Parish Serves** these **Groups**

- | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 19. Children age 4 to 12 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 20. Teens age 13 to 17 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 21. Young adults age 22 to 35 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 22. Senior citizens age 65 and over |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 23. Hispanics / Latinos |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 24. Single adults |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 25. Married Couples |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 26. Divorced or separated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 27. Single parents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 28. Sick or homebound |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 29. Those in financial need |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 30. Inactive Catholics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 31. New parishioners |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 32. Summer Seasonal parishioners |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 33. Parishioners gone in Winter |

From the list above (19 to 33) which three should the parish give the most priority for outreach, write in your number choice:

1st _____ **2nd** _____ **3rd** _____

Please **evaluate** your **weekend Masses experience** for the Mass you most regularly attend, what works or what does not.

- | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 34. Hospitality sense of welcome |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 35. Music |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 36. Sense of spirituality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 37. People's participation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 38. Homily / Sermon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 39. Spanish Mass SSCM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 40. Accessibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 41. Volume of sound system for the spoken word |

Please **evaluate** the **Parish's Efforts to:**

- | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 42. Communicate with parishioners |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 43. Prepare parishioners for ministry leadership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 44. Nurture your relationship with Jesus Christ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 45. Strengthen family life |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 46. Offer Catholic views on current issues. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 47. Encourage you to do charitable works |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 48. Encourage church vocations |

YOUR FAITH

Please use these responses for the questions below.

1=Never or rarely 3=Once or twice a month

2=Once or twice a year 4=At least once a week

Blank=Don't know or not applicable

How often do you do the following?

1 2 3 4

- 49.** Have a conversation with God
- 50.** Pray the Rosary
- 51.** Read the Bible (outside of Mass)
- 52.** Participate in a Bible study group
- 53.** Read a book about God, a Saint or Spirituality
- 54.** Attend a parish function besides Mass
- 55.** Visit the parish webpage or Facebook page
- 56.** Read the church bulletin
- 57.** Pray with your spouse, children, friend or other
- 58.** Go to Confession

59. Please prioritize the reasons you attend Mass, "1", "2", "3" etc with "1" the most important.

- a. ___ Community
- b. ___ Homily / Sermon / Scripture Readings
- c. ___ Obligation
- d. ___ Receiving Eucharist
- e. ___ Sacred Music
- f. ___ Other, please indicate reason: _____

60. Do you value and appreciate the benefits of Catholic education?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. I need to understand more before answering yes or no.

COMMENTS / THOUGHTS / SUGGESTIONS

YOUR PLANS

Please use these responses for the questions below.

1=Not at all

3=Somewhat

2=Only a little

4=Very or very much

Blank=Don't know or not applicable

How likely are you to do the following in the next year?

1 2 3 4

- 61. Serve on a parish ministry
- 62. Talk to someone about your Catholic faith
- 63. Encourage someone to return to the practice of their Catholic faith
- 64. Attend one of our parish services, workshops or activities
- 65. Invite someone to attend one of our parish services, workshops or activities
- 66. Invite someone to join our parish
- 67. Increase your financial support of the parish
- 68. Discuss religious vocations with a family member or friend
- 69. Join this Parish

How much do the following prevent you from serving the parish?

1 2 3 4

- 70. Not aware of parish needs
- 71. Have not been personally invited
- 72. Already serving as much as I can
- 73. I do not want to serve at this time
- 74. I have no skills or talents the church could use
- 75. Non-church activities or work prevent me from serving

In your opinion what priority should the Parish give the following?

1 2 3 4

- 76. Provide mission trip opportunities
- 77. Provide in-house retreat opportunities
- 78. Help parishioners to discern their gifts and talents
- 79. Parish Priest accessibility
- 80. Religious vocation education
- 81. Annual refresher on Catholicism
- 82. Explore collaboration opportunities with other local diocesan parishes

From the list above (76 to 82) which three should the parish give the most priority for, write in your number choice:

1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____

In your opinion what priority should the Parish give these facility considerations: 4=Highest 3=Important 2=Marginal 1=Lowest

- 83. Paying off the building debt
- 84. Improve SSCM church signage (Patterson Ave)
- 85. Improved SSCM sound system for new hall
- 86. **Other**, add in the comments section

COMMENTS / THOUGHTS / SUGGESTIONS

If you make any comments in the survey it is **optional** to include your name and contact information. We will only contact you if clarification of a comment is needed.

NAME _____

PHONE _____

BEST TIME TO CALL _____

If you did your survey at church but want more time to answer the questions below you can detach this page, take it home to complete and **return it the following week**. Please make sure the survey number is shown so that we can link it back to the rest of your survey. If you need more room to write please use the back of the sheet.

As mentioned in the instructions it is optional for you to add your name / phone number in case we need to clarify your comments. Names will be kept confidential.

WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE FOLLOWING?

**87. WHERE DO YOU BELIEVE OUR ENERGY AS A PARISH IS CURRENTLY TAKING US
(WHETHER POSITIVE AND/OR NEGATIVE)?**

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88. WHAT ARE YOUR HOPES FOR THIS PARISH IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS?

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89. HOW CAN YOUR PARISH BETTER SUPPORT YOUR FAITH JOURNEY?

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OPTIONAL: NAME _____ PHONE _____ BEST TIME TO CALL _____