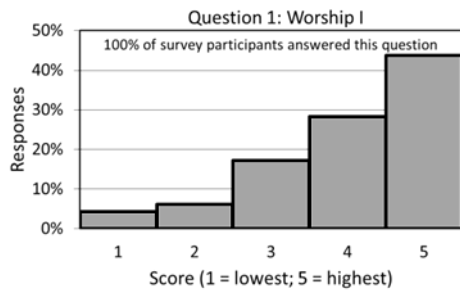
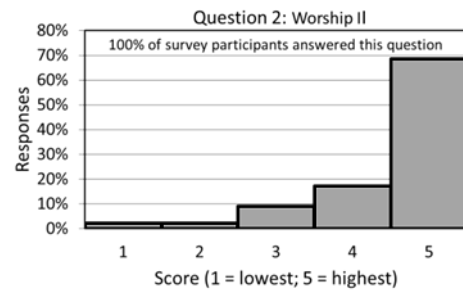


St. Paul Parish 2019 Parish Survey Summary

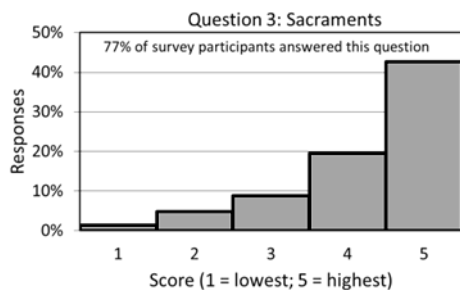
Thank you very much for completing the parish survey over the past few weeks. The Pastoral Council received 225 completed surveys in English, mostly via the online link. In addition to scores, you provided over 1200 verbal responses to the questions, and about 100 additional open comments. A summary read-out of the responses is given below. Over the coming months, the Pastoral Council will work on implementing your comments and suggestions in formulating our update parish pastoral plan.



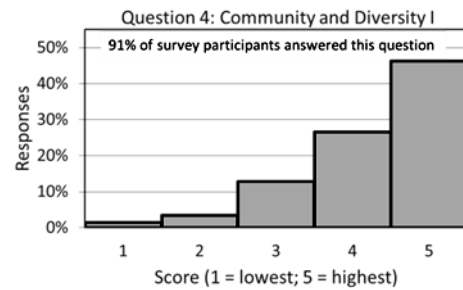
Worship I: Clergy: Are masses celebrated well; is the atmosphere conducive to your noticing Christ present; do the homilies speak to you; are the number of weekend and weekday masses and their



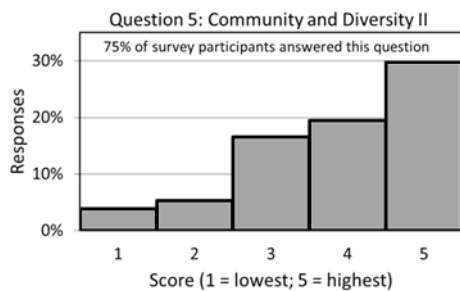
Worship II: Lay participation: Is the music supportive of our prayer; are the lay ministers – Altar Servers, Ushers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Readers – serving appropriately; is the



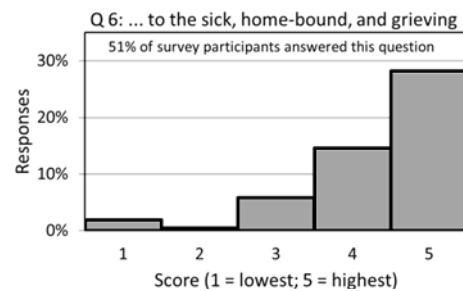
Sacraments: Besides Eucharist, are the sacraments, baptism, confirmation, reconciliation, marriage, and anointing of the sick, easily accessible; is preparation for the sacraments easily available and clear; how is the RCIA program; how is the follow-up after sacraments of initiation; do they help build community and family; are vocations encouraged and supported?



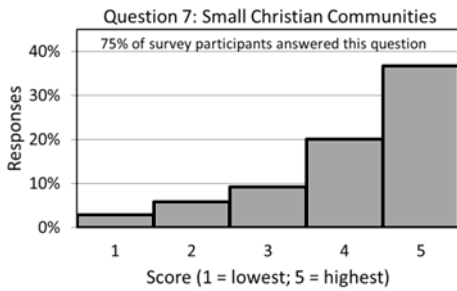
Community and Diversity I: Inward facing: Is there a sense of unity in diversity in the parish; do visitors and all people feel welcome in the parish; are all families supported and nurtured; is it easy to join ministries and/or assume leadership positions; is the necessary training adequate; how well are the Hispanic community and other multi-cultural sub-communities integrated into parish life?



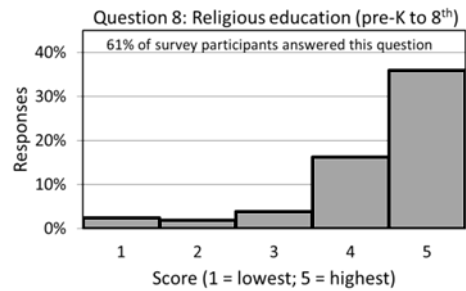
Community and Diversity II: Outward facing: How is the outreach to inactive parishioners and Catholics and non-Catholics in the community; is the parish a good neighbor to the broader community; does it participate in area communal life?



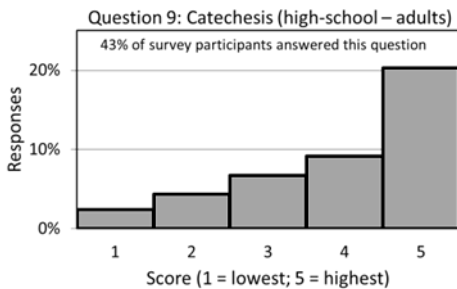
Outreach to the sick, home-bound, and grieving: How is the outreach to the sick, homebound, and grieving; does it reach those in need?



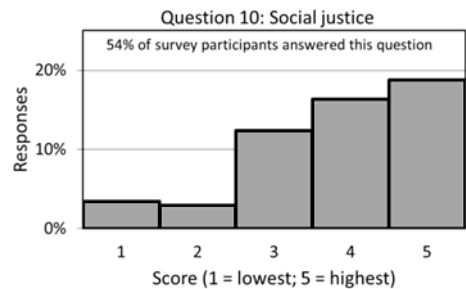
Small Christian Communities: Is there an adequate number of small group gatherings (prayer groups, bible study, reading groups, events, etc.) to nurture the faithful outside Mass and sacraments; what are we missing; are the leaders prepared and trained; is the space provided adequate; is it easy to find and join such groups?



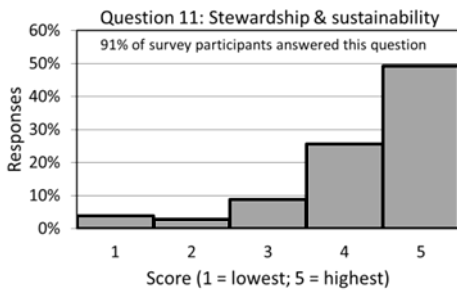
Religious education (age-range: pre-K to 8th grade): Is the religious education program (CCD, Summer Academy, Home Study) effective; does it reach the children (pre-K to 8th grade)? Does St. Paul School enrich parish life?



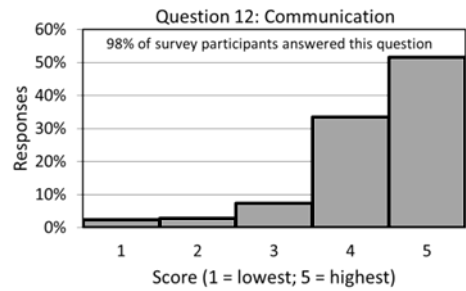
Catechesis (high-school age and adults): How effective are the youth and young adult ministries; do they reach the intended parish populations?



Social justice: Is the number, frequency, and consistency of social justice activities adequate; are the activities effective; do parishioners in need find material support and assistance?



Stewardship & sustainability: Are parishioners well-informed about the state of the parish and invested in its future; are they involved in planning; are facilities and grounds well-kept and appropriate for the congregation; is sign-up for electronic giving easy and transparent; are parish resources used well?



Communication: How effective is the communication between parish staff and parishioners; how effective is the web-page or other social media; how effective is the bulletin; what is your preferred way to hear about parish news or activities?

Additional Comments

In addition to 1,200 written comments to Questions 1 – 12, we also received about 100 additional comments. Below is a “word-cloud” from these comments; larger words were mentioned more frequently.

