

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

DMI Survey – Interim Update



Earlier this year, the parishioners of Sacred Heart were asked to participate in a parish-wide survey, also referred to as the Disciple Maker Index. The survey gave people an opportunity to reflect on their spiritual growth, level of involvement in the parish, as well as their satisfaction with the parish and parish related activities. Approximately 42% of our active parishioners completed the survey. Thank you for taking time to share your thoughts. As a result of your efforts, the parish has gained valuable insight into your needs and how we can enhance our faith based community so we can grow as disciples of Jesus.

Based on the survey data, we have identified our top parish strengths as well as areas of opportunity for our parish moving forward. Below is a brief overview of these findings. For a more detailed look at the parish survey results, please refer to Appendix 1 on page 2.

Parish Strengths:

- We have a solid foundation in our personal belief in core Catholic teachings
- We recommend our Parish & Parish school
- We recommend our Pastor and feel that we grow through his preaching
- Our parents feel a strong responsibility to help their children grow spiritually

Areas of Opportunity:

- We would like to be more involved in our parish
- We would like to be more comfortable sharing our Catholic faith
- We would like to continue to grow our religious education programs
- We would like to strengthen our belief in Jesus' moral teachings as taught by the Church

Father Jonathan commissioned a team of parishioners with various backgrounds to review the survey results and plan for the Next Generation of Sacred Heart Parish. The members of this team are:

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| ● Todd Davis | ● Billie Luna |
| ● Nick Drury | ● Martin Pfister |
| ● Debbie Jeffrey | ● Stephanie Wainscott |
| ● Kaitlyn Lasko | ● Fr. Jonathan |

The team will be meeting for the next few months to pray and discern the future direction for Sacred Heart Parish based on extensive data, foremost your survey responses and as well as information from over 1200 peer parishes in 37 dioceses. But the team does not walk alone on this journey. We invite you to offer your comments, thoughts, and ideas to any team member. Your help will be vital in moving our parish into the future. Finally, and most importantly, please hold the team and our entire faith community in constant and fervent prayer that we will be guided by the Holy Spirit. We look forward to providing a follow-up communication around September.

Appendix 1: Sacred Heart Parish Survey Results

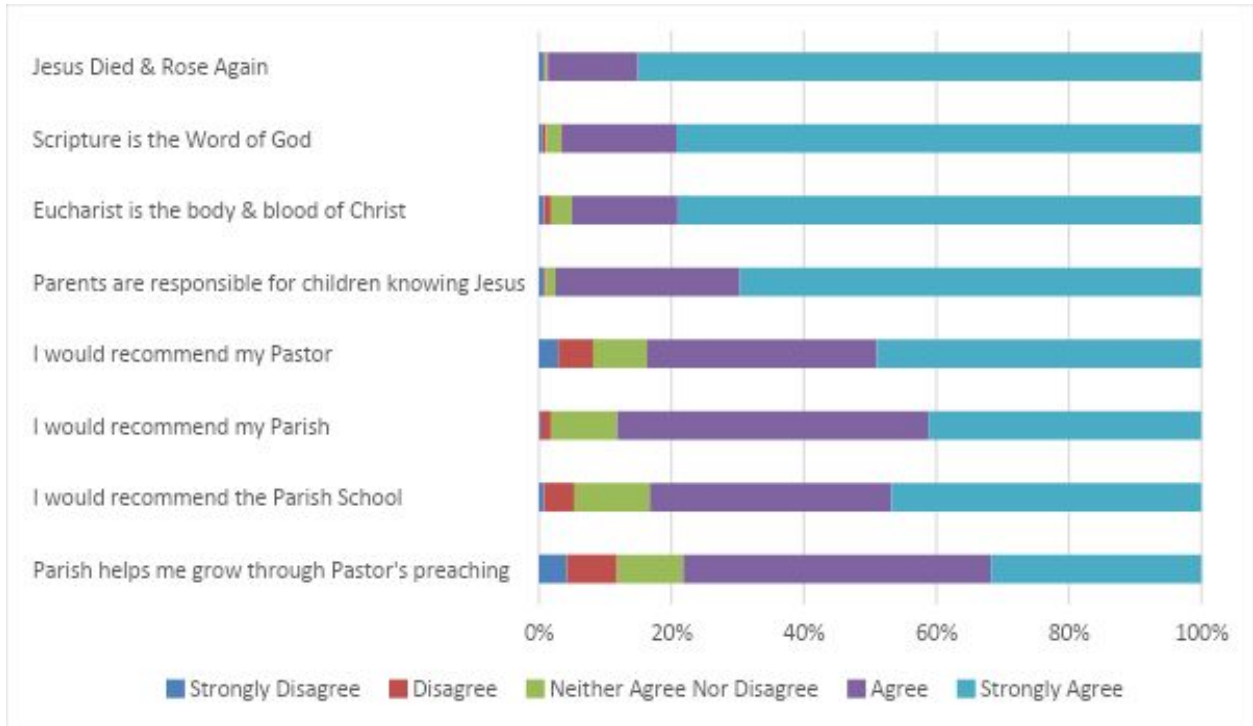


Figure 1: Parish strength survey results

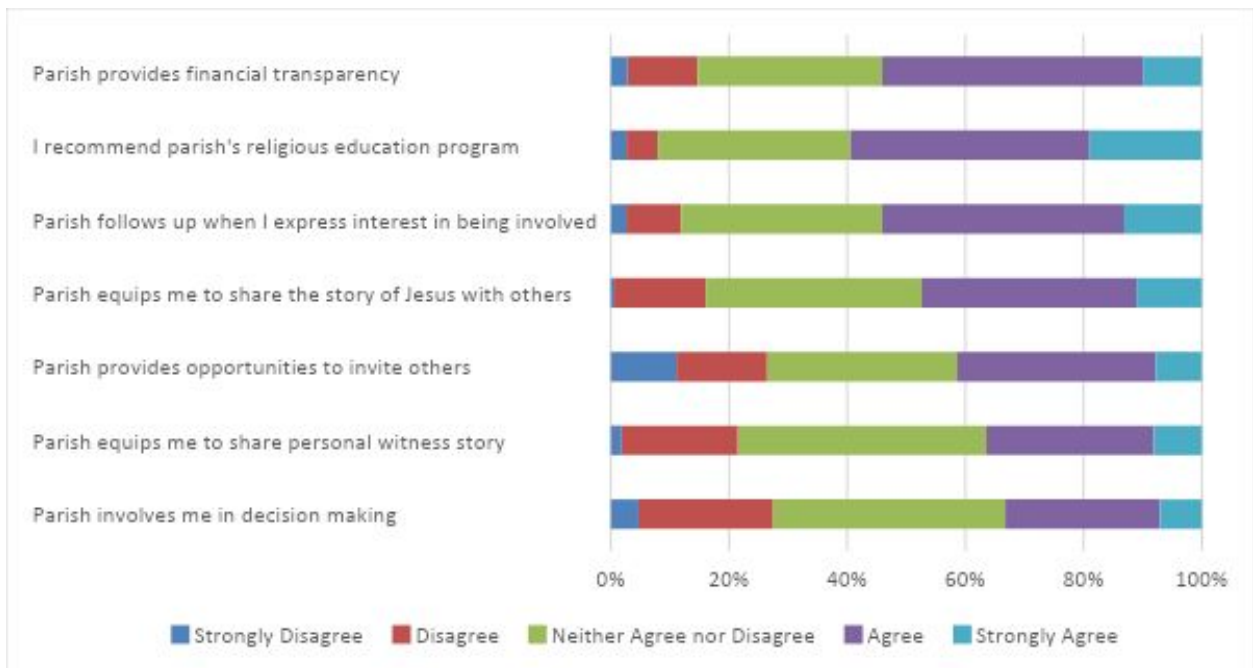


Figure 2: Parish opportunities for growth survey results