

Diocese of Syracuse

Our Lady of Sorrows Church (Vestal)

2025

DMI

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# Demographics

Lists the demographic data about parishioners who have taken the DMI

Surveys received: 551

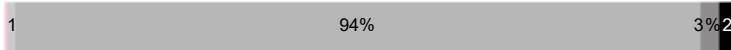
## Membership Duration



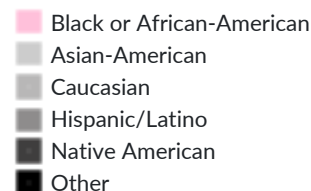
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## Ethnicity/Race



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## Marital status



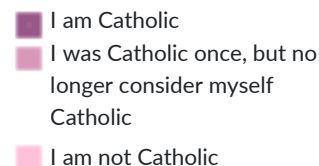
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## Spiritual identity



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## Sex



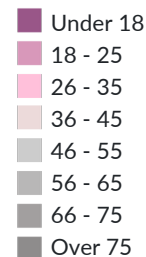
### Legend



## Age



### Legend



## Household contributions



### Legend

- \$0 - \$99
- \$100 - \$499
- \$500 - \$999
- \$1,000 - \$2,499
- \$2,500 - \$4,999
- \$5,000 - \$9,999
- \$10,000 - \$24,999
- I prefer not to respond

## Household income



### Legend

- 0 - \$24,999
- \$25,000 - \$49,999
- \$50,000 - \$99,999
- \$100,000 - \$149,999
- \$150,000 - \$199,999
- \$200,000 - \$249,999
- Greater than \$250,000
- I prefer not to respond

## Approach to financial giving



### Legend

- I do not support the parish financially at this time
- I usually give when the collection basket comes around or in response to specific appeals
- I determine a total dollar amount to give to my parish each year
- I give a percentage of my income to my parish

## Primary place of worship



### Legend

- Yes
- Yes, but only for part of the year (seasonally)
- No

## School Age Children



### Legend

- Yes
- No

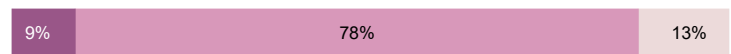
## Giving Percentage



### Legend

- None
- < 10%
- 10%
- > 10%

## Education Choice



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- I send all my children to Catholic school
- I send all my children to Public school
- I choose separately for each child

Survey Language



Legend

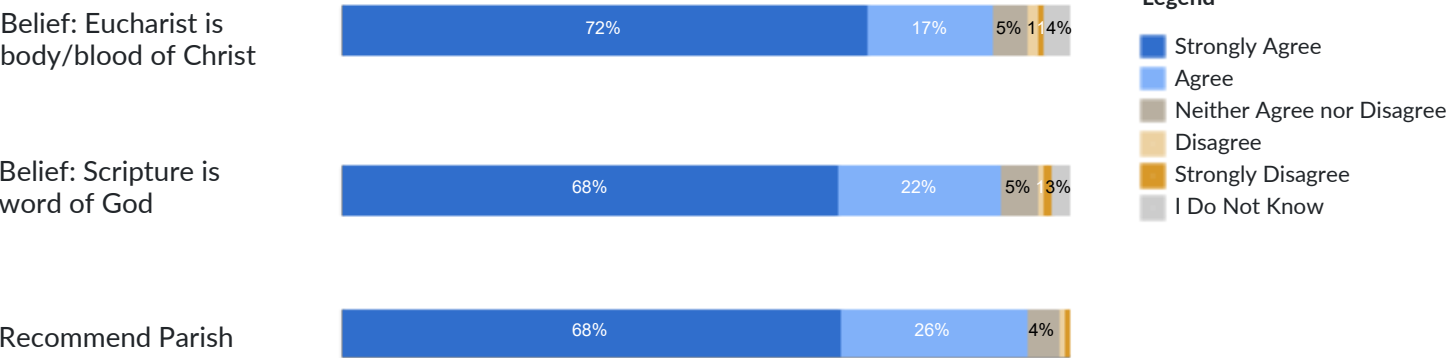
- English
- Portuguese (Brazilian)

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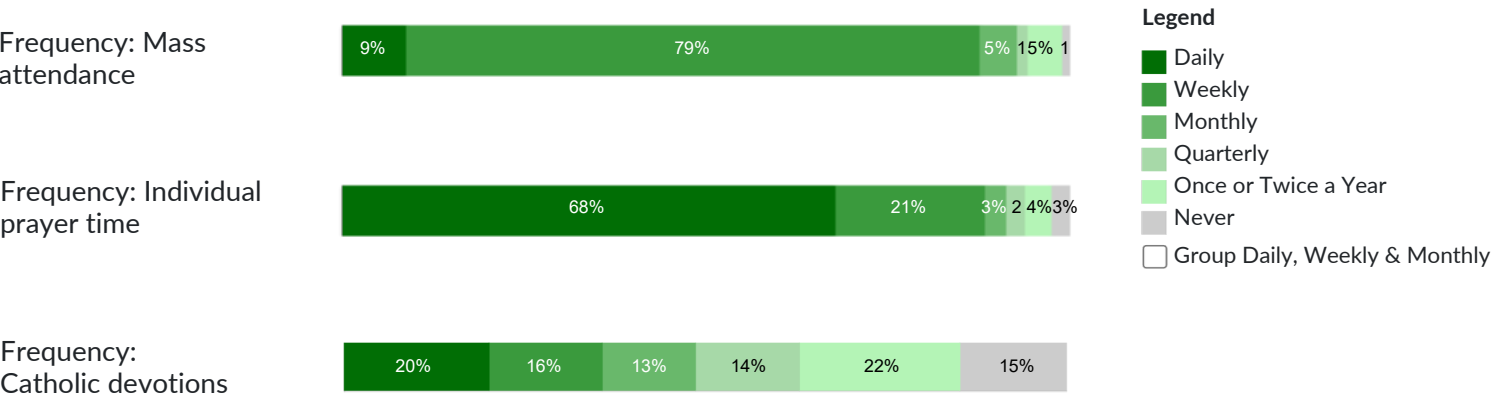
# Strengths & Opportunities

## Strengths

Top 3 by Highest Percentage Strongly Agree



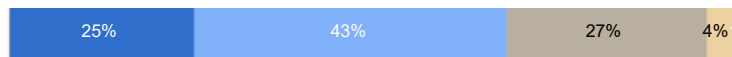
Top 3 by Highest Percentage Monthly or More Often



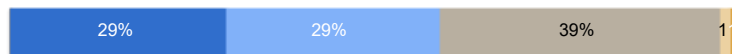
# Opportunities

## Top 3 by Lowest Percentage Strongly Agree

Conversations:  
Confidence in teachings



Recommend  
Other Priests



Growth via: Forming  
as a Disciple



### Legend

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

## Top 3 by Lowest Percentage Monthly or More Often

Frequency: Retreat



Frequency: Invited  
another to religious life



Frequency: Invited  
man to priesthood



### Legend

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- Weekly
- Monthly
- Quarterly
- Once or Twice a Year
- Never
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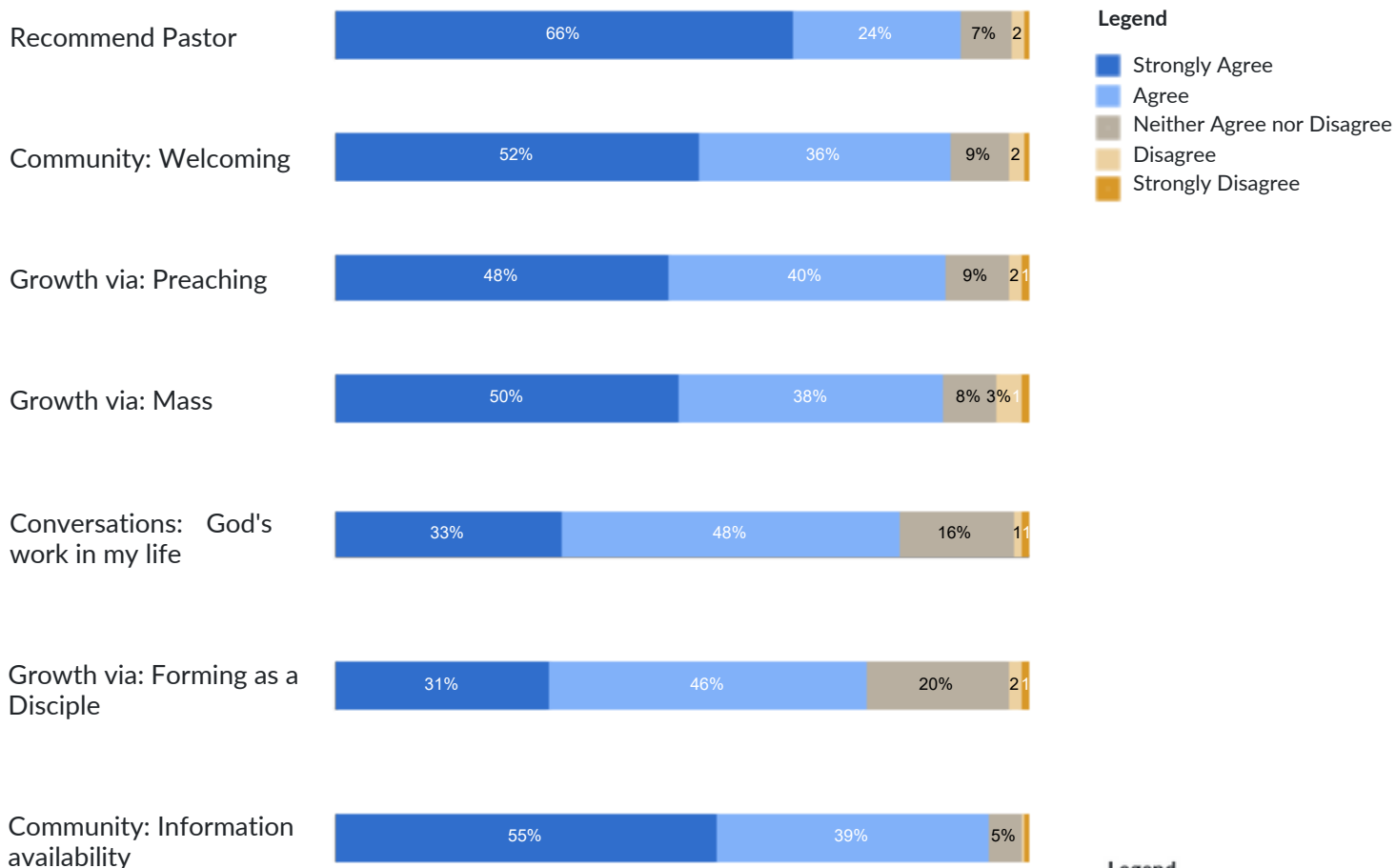
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# Key Drivers

Questions that are statistically significant with respect to a parishioner's likelihood to recommend the parish, say the parish is helping them grow spiritually, and frequency with which they are sharing their faith

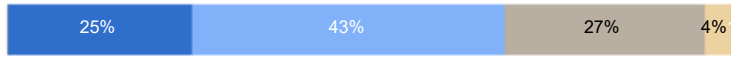
What drives a parishioner to recommend their parish to a friend and to indicate the parish is helping them grow spiritually?



What drives a parishioner to share a personal witness story?



Conversations:  
Confidence in teachings



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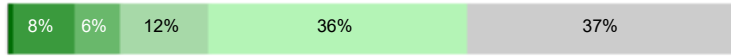
Conversations: Sharing  
personal story



Conversations: Sharing  
story of Jesus



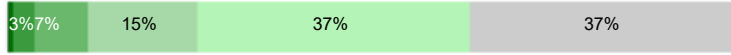
Frequency: Invited  
someone to Mass



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Frequency: Invited  
someone to parish activity



Frequency: Pastoral  
counseling/spiritual  
direction

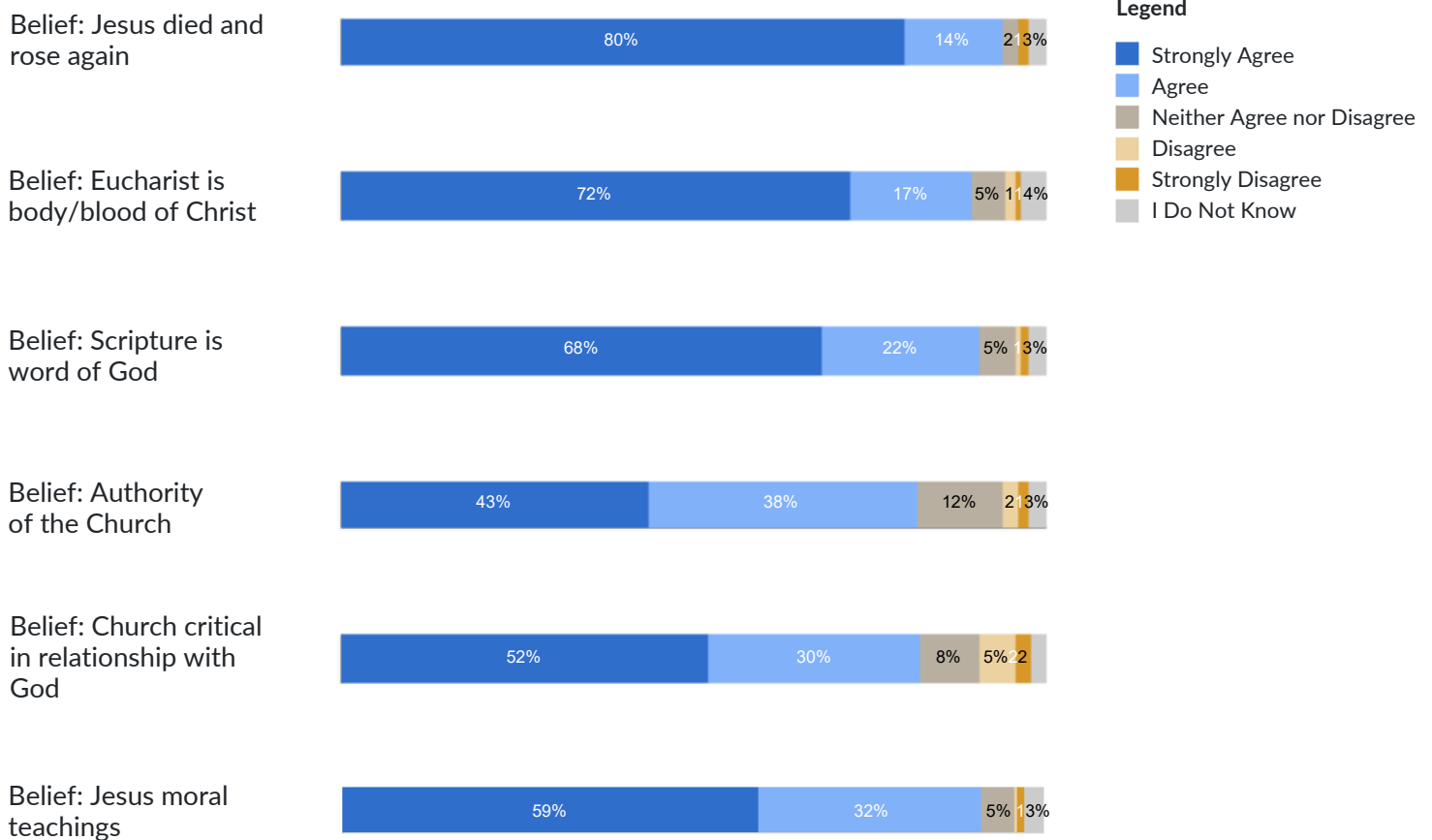


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# Belief in Core Catholic Teaching

Questions related to parishioners' degree of belief in core teachings of the faith



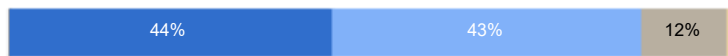
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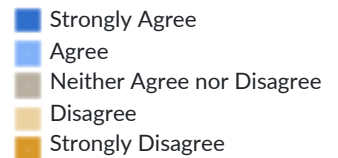
# Effectiveness of Parish Support

Questions related to how well the parish supports parishioners personally and spiritually

Conversations: Care for community



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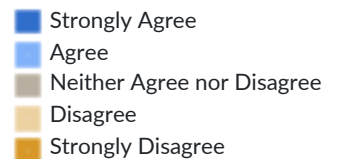


## Connecting me with Catholic Community

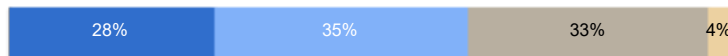
Community: Opportunities to serve



Legend



Community: Follow up on involvement



Community: Support in time of need



Community: Information availability



Community: Online Communication

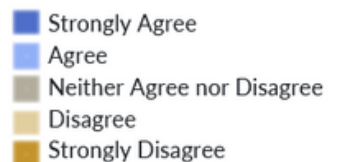


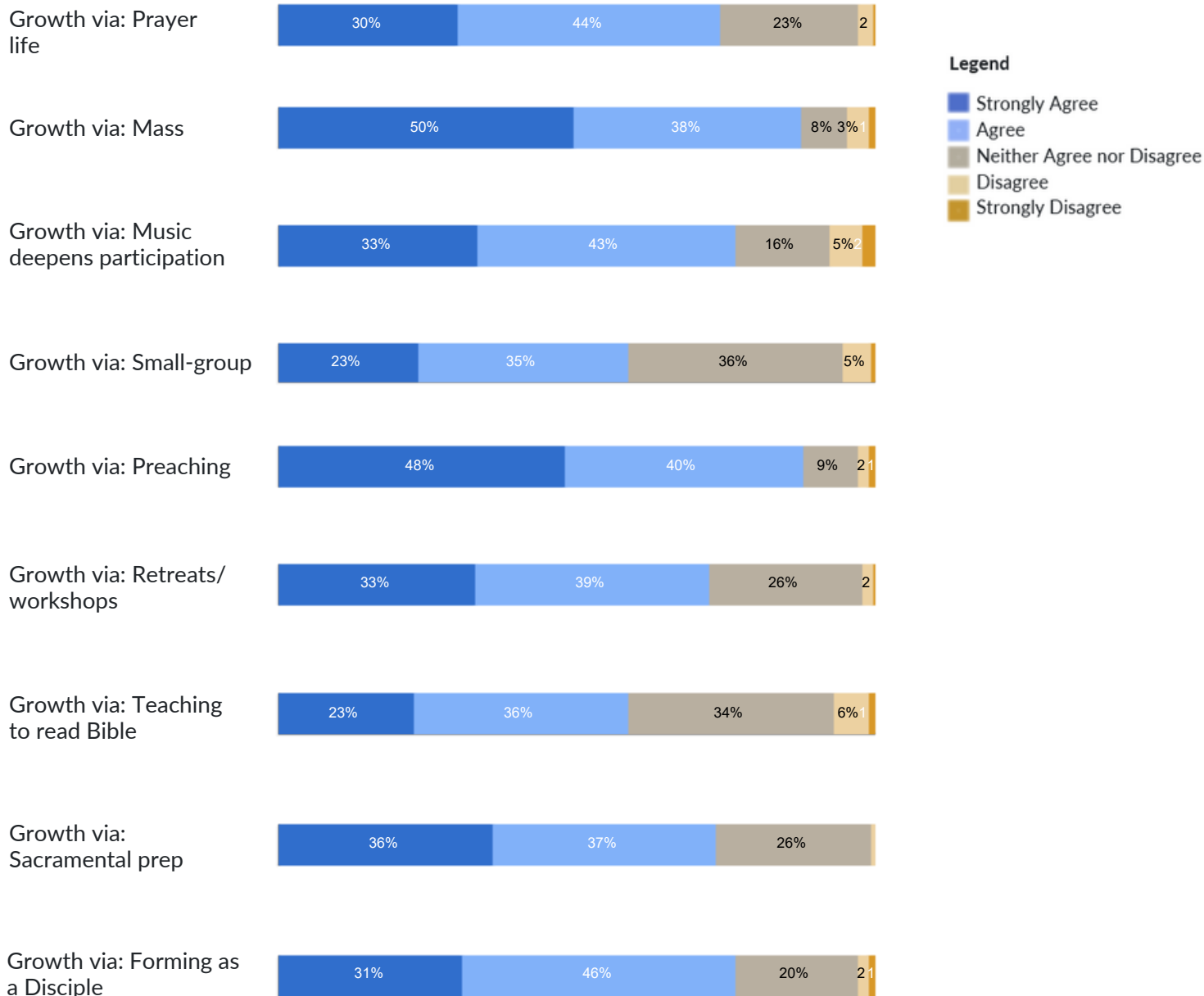
## Fostering my Spiritual Growth

Parish helps spiritual growth

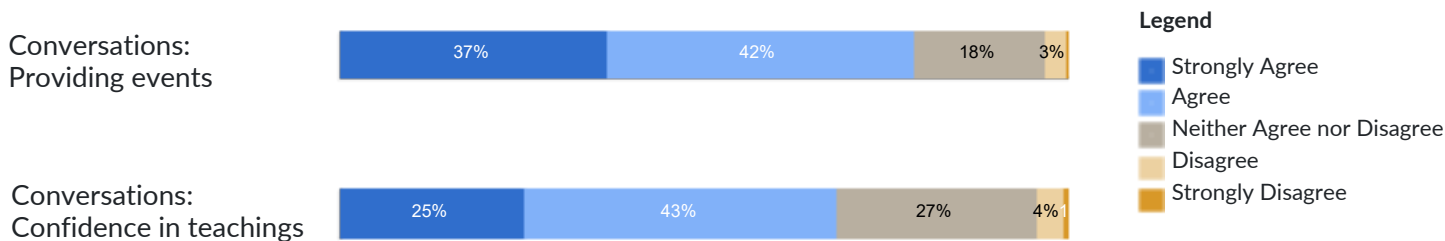


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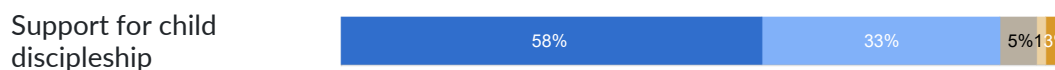




## Equipping me to talk about Faith



## Supporting and Educating children in the Catholic Faith





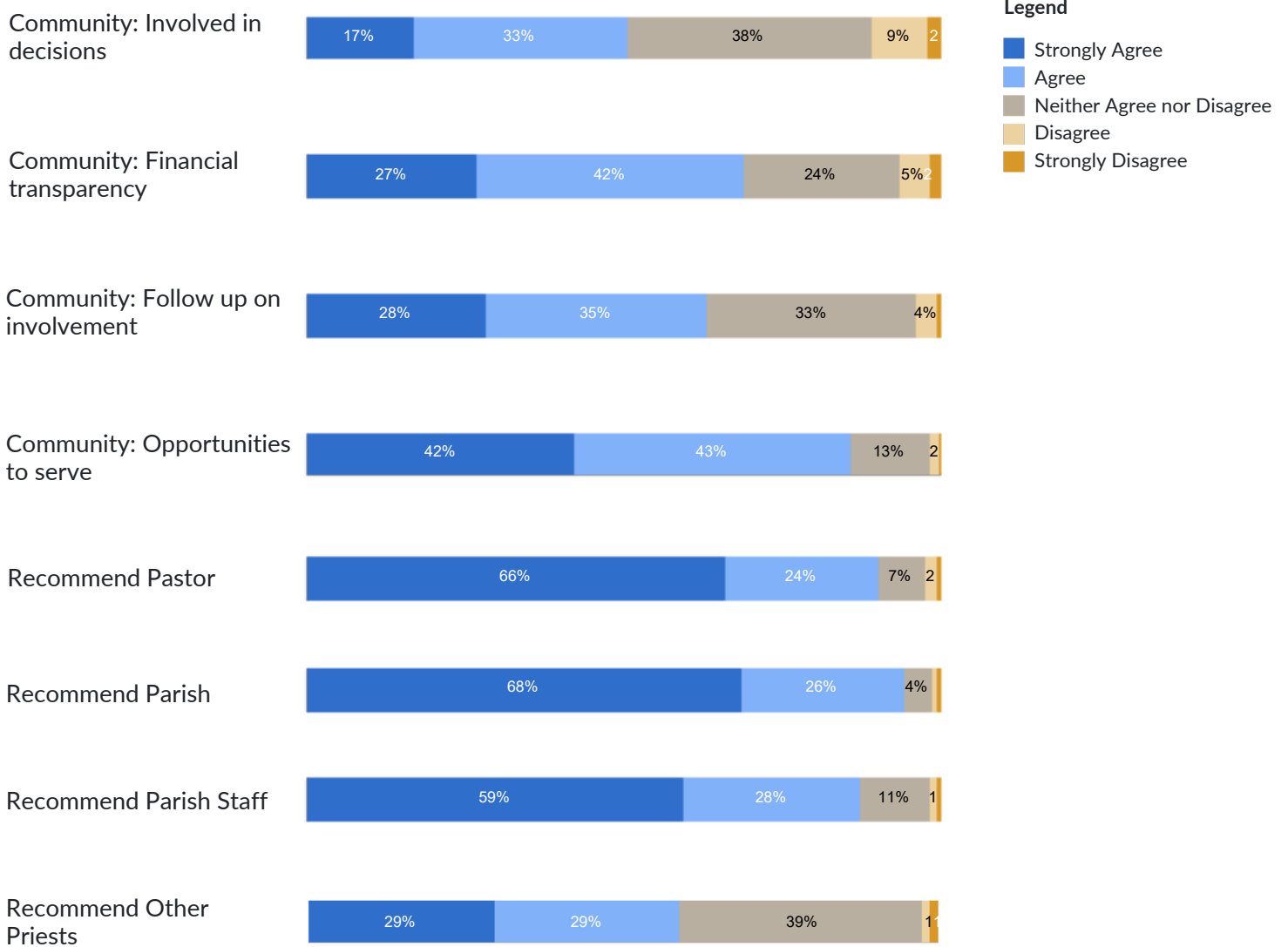
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# Leadership Indicators

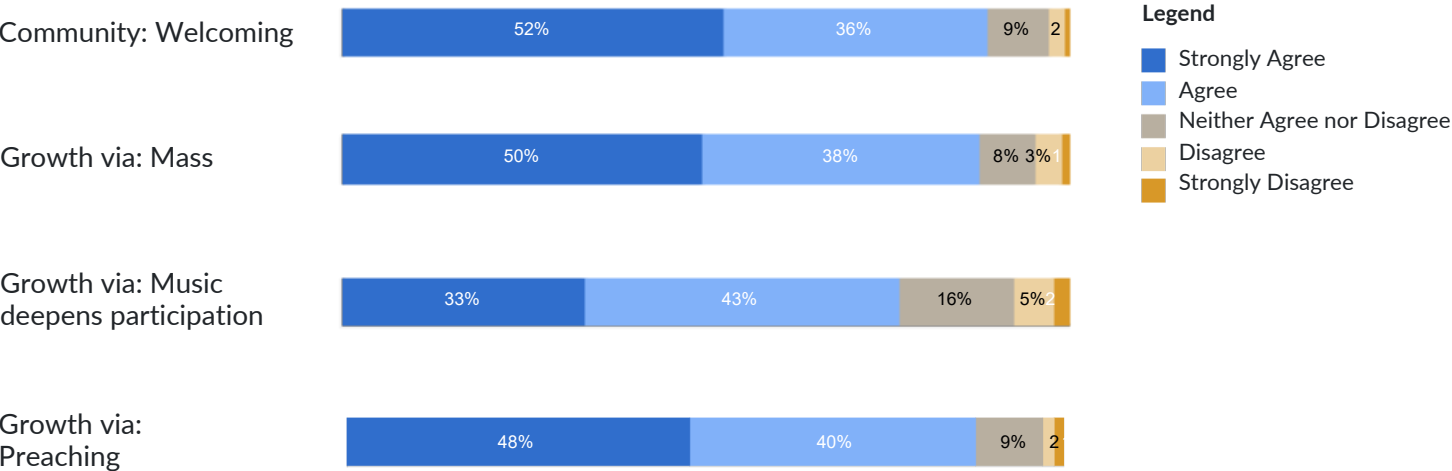
Questions most directly related to parish leadership



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# Sunday Experience

Questions directly related to the Sunday experience



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# Spiritual Practices

Questions related to the faith practices of your people

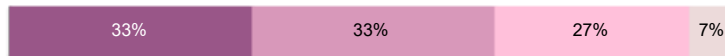
Pace of spiritual growth



Legend

- In a period of rapid spiritual growth
- Growing at a steady, continued pace
- Growing in my faith, but would like to grow more than I am
- Content staying right where I am spiritually
- Stalled in my spiritual growth
- In a period of spiritual decline

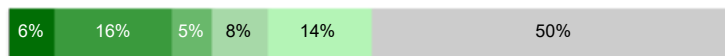
Catholic Journey



Legend

- My relationship with Jesus Christ is the most important relationship in my life
- I have personally encountered Jesus Christ and am growing as a disciple
- I practice my Catholic faith, but do not know Jesus personally like a friend
- I consider myself Catholic, though faith is not a significant part of my life

Frequency: Bible study/  
prayer group



Legend

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Quarterly
- Once or Twice a Year
- Never
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Frequency: Individual  
prayer time



Frequency: Mass  
attendance



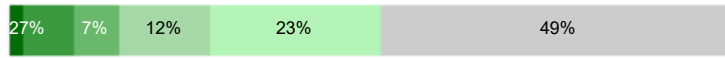
Frequency: Confession



Frequency: Pastoral counseling/spiritual direction



Frequency: Class/workshop



Frequency: Social event



Frequency: Retreat



Frequency: Eucharistic adoration



Frequency: Catholic devotions



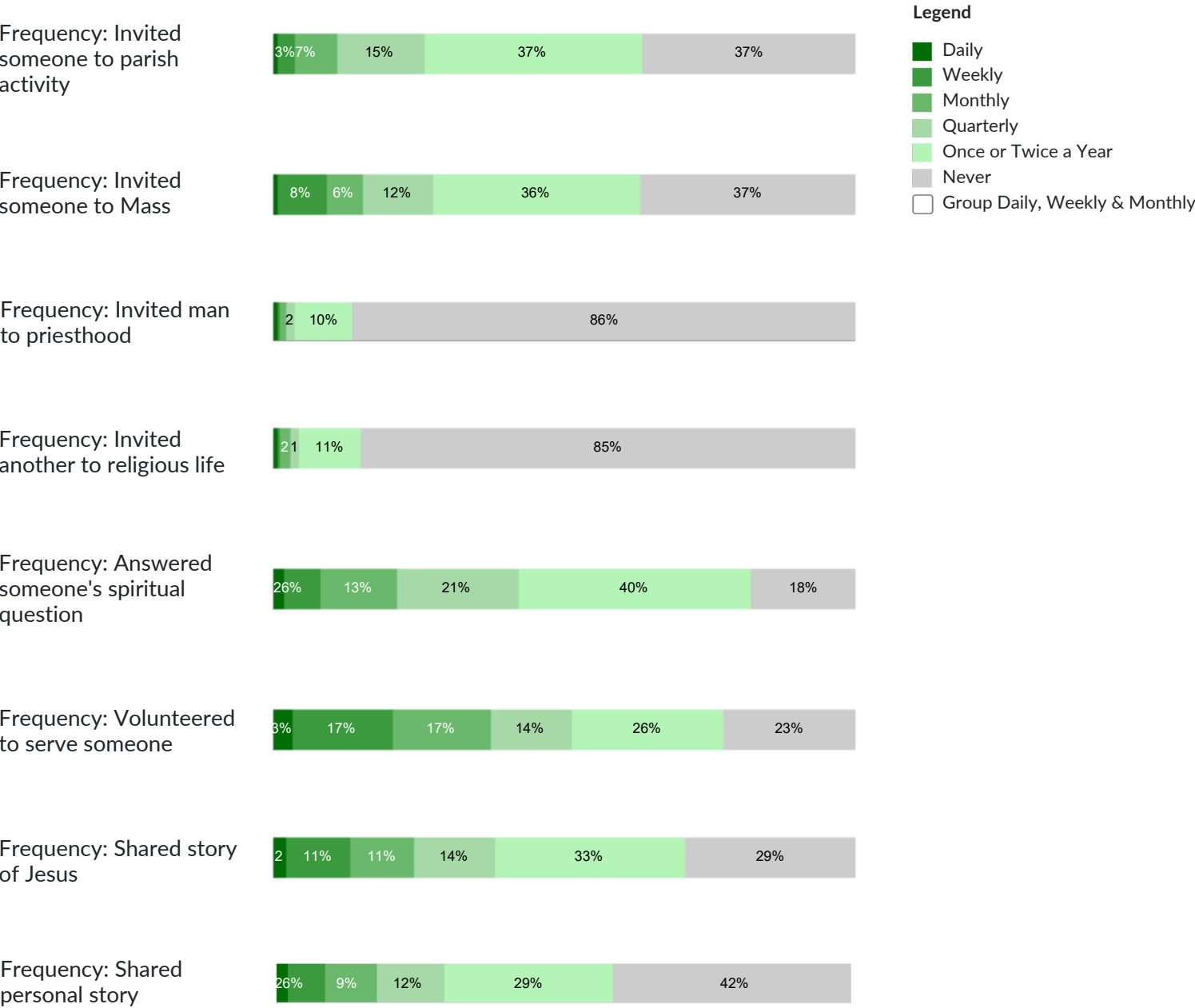
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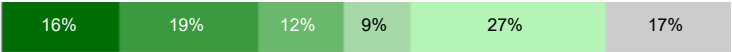
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# Missionary Impulse

Questions related to the missionary discipleship practices of your people



Frequency: Prayed  
with someone



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- Weekly
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Frequency: Social  
event



Parents responsible  
for growth of child



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