

Disciple Maker Index Survey Archdiocese of Milwaukee

Dear Parishioner,

Thank you for participating in the Disciple Maker Index survey. This survey will provide you the opportunity to reflect on your own spiritual growth and provide feedback on the efforts of the parish to help you grow.

The survey should take you between 10-15 minutes to complete. Please do not skip questions unless instructed to do so. Please note that your responses are kept confidential. Your parish and Catholic Leadership Institute will not have access to

individual survey responses. ✓ We thank you again for your participation in this

important initiative!

Parish Selection

Please select your Parish*

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Catholic Journey

How do you identify yourself? I am Catholic I was Catholic once, but no longer consider myself Catholic

I am not Catholic

If the answer to the above question is "I am Catholic", please answer the following two questions. Otherwise skip.

Which of the following best describes your path to Catholicism? I was baptized Catholic as a child I converted to the Catholic faith

Which of the following best describes where you are on your Catholic journey?

I consider myself Catholic, though faith is not a significant part of my life

My relationship with Jesus Christ is the most important relationship in my life

I practice my Catholic faith, but do not know Jesus personally like a friend

I have personally encountered Jesus Christ and am growing as a disciple

Which of the following best describes the pace of your spiritual growth? In a period of spiritual decline

Stalled in my spiritual growth

Content staying right where I am spiritually

Growing in my faith, but would like to grow more than I am

Growing at a steady, continued pace

In a period of rapid spiritual growth

Parish Connections Below are several ways your parish can help you connect with others in the local Catholic community. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:

My parish helps me connect with a local Catholic community by...

Disagree Strongly

Disagree

Neither Agree nor Disagree

Agree Strongly

Agree

Making me feel welcomed and accepted

Providing me with opportunities to serve those in need

Following up with me when I express interest in becoming more involved

Providing a community to support me and/or my family in times of need

Involving me in decisions that affect the future of the parish

Providing transparent information to me about the finances of the parish

Making information about the parish easy for me to find (via bulletin, web, email)

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Parish Community Below are several ways your parish community can help you grow spiritually. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:

My parish helps me grow spiritually by...

Disagree Strongly

Disagree

Neither Agree nor Disagree

Agree Strongly

Agree

Helping me develop a personal prayer life that connects me with God

Offering vibrant and engaging Sunday Masses

Offering music that deepens my desire to participate more fully in the Sunday liturgy

Connecting me with a small faith-sharing group

Preaching and homilies that connect my faith with my everyday life

Providing retreats, workshops, and other resources to help me figure out my life's purpose

Teaching me to read and pray with the Bible

Preparing me/my family for the sacraments (Confirmation, Marriage, Baptism)

Forming me as a disciple of Jesus Christ

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Relationship with Parish, Pastor, and Faith The following questions ask about your likelihood to recommend your pastor, parish, and the Catholic faith.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:

Disagree Strongly
Disagree

Neither Agree nor Disagree

Agree Strongly

Agree

I would recommend my pastor to a friend

I would recommend my parish to a friend

I would recommend the staff of my parish to a friend

I would recommend other priests serving my parish to a friend

My parish helps me grow spiritually as a Catholic

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Personal Religious Beliefs Below are several statements regarding your personal beliefs. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

I personally believe...

Disagree Strongly
Disagree

Neither Agree nor Disagree

Agree Strongly

Agree

I do not know

Jesus died and rose from the dead for my salvation

The Eucharist really is the body and blood of Jesus Christ

Scripture is the word of God

In the teaching authority of the Church

The Church is critical to my relationship with God

In Jesus' moral teachings for my life as taught by the Church

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Conversations about Faith Below are several statements regarding conversations about your faith with family and friends. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

My parish equips me to have conversations about my faith with family and friends by...

Disagree Strongly

Disagree

Neither Agree nor Disagree

Agree Strongly

Agree

Providing high-quality events and other opportunities to which I can invite people

Growing my confidence in the Church's teachings so I can answer other's questions

Exhibiting care to members of our community (not necessarily Catholics)

Teaching me how to share the story of Jesus

Teaching me how to share my personal witness story

Helping me recognize how God is working in my life

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Participation at the Church Below are several activities that you may have taken part in over the past year. Please indicate the frequency that best describes how

Catholic Devotions
(e.g. pray the rosary,
novenas, special

feast days)

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Membership at Your Parish

Is this parish your primary place of worship? No

Yes, but only for part of the year (seasonally)

Yes

How many years have you been worshipping at this parish? <1

3-5

11-20

1-2

6-10

20+

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Your Child's Religious Education Below are questions regarding
your child's religious education.

0-5

What is the age of your eldest
child? I do not have children

11-14

6-10

Over 18

15-18

The remaining questions in this section should only be answered if you have children, otherwise skip to Demographic Information.

Do you currently send your children to Catholic school? No Yes

The following question should only be answered if you currently send your children to Catholic school.

Is the Catholic school a part of this parish? No Yes

Do you currently send your children to religious education at this parish? No Yes

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The following question should only be answered if you currently send your children to Catholic school.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement.

Disagree Strongly

Disagree

Neither Agree nor Disagree

Agree Strongly

Agree

I would recommend the parish Catholic school to a friend.

The following question should only be answered if you currently send your children to religious education at this parish.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement.

Disagree Strongly

Disagree

Neither Agree nor Disagree

Agree Strongly

Agree

I would recommend my parish's religious education to a friend

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Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements regarding your faith journey.

Disagree Strongly

Disagree

Neither Agree nor Disagree

Agree Strongly

Agree

I have adequate support from my parish to help my child(ren) grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ

One of my most important responsibilities as a parent is helping my child(ren) to know Jesus

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Demographic Information Please tell us a little bit about yourself. *Your responses to this section will be used only for statistical purposes to gain an accurate picture of the composition of the parishes involved in this study. Your responses are **completely confidential** and will be analyzed anonymously. Your responses will not be identified as yours and will be aggregated with other survey responses. Please answer as many questions as you can.*

What is your sex? Male Female

Which of the following best describes you?

African-American

Hispanic/Latino

Caucasian

Native American

Middle-Eastern or North African

Other

Asian-American

Please indicate your age bracket. Under 18

36-45

56-65

56-65

66-75

8-25

Please indicate your household status. Single

6-55

Divorced

Married

Over 75

26-35

26-35

Widowed

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Financial Information Below are questions regarding you/your family's personal financial information regarding charitable giving. Your responses are **completely confidential** and will be analyzed anonymously. Your responses will never be identified as yours and will be aggregated with other survey responses. Please answer as many questions as you can.

For statistical purposes only, please select the category corresponding to your household's annual total annual pre-tax income. 0 – \$24,999

\$100,000 – \$149,999

Greater than \$250,000

\$25,000 – \$49,999

\$150,000 – \$199,999

I prefer not to respond

\$50,000 – \$99,999

\$200,000 – \$249,999

For statistical purposes only, please select the category corresponding to your household's annual total annual pre-tax income.

total annual contributions to your parish. \$0 – \$99

\$1,000 – \$2,499

\$10,000 – \$24,999

\$100 – \$499

\$2,500 – \$4,999

Greater than \$25,000

\$500 – \$999

\$5,000 – \$9,999

I prefer not to respond

Which best describes your approach to providing financial support for your parish? I do not parish financially at this time

I determine a total dollar amount to give to my parish each year

I usually give when the collection basket comes around or in response to specific appeals

I give a percentage of my income to my parish

Only answer this question if you give a percentage of income to your parish. Otherwise skip.

None < 10% 10% >10%

Thank You!