

## Parish Culture Survey 2024

Please complete the form below to help your PPC better understand the needs and concerns of the parish. Please note that all answers will remain completely confidential.

Where it is called for, please evaluate how well your parish performs within the categories below based on your experience (1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest and NA if not applicable). All questions need to be answered, so if you have little or no knowledge about a specific activity or ministry in the parish, then you can reply NA, not applicable.

Please evaluate how you have experienced your parish over the past year.

**Parish name / area:** \_\_\_\_\_

e.g.

Our Lady Help of Christians, Lansdowne

**Age group:** Please mark with an X

14 -18 \_\_\_\_\_

19 – 35 \_\_\_\_\_

36 – 50 \_\_\_\_\_

51 – 70 \_\_\_\_\_

71 – 90 \_\_\_\_\_

Above 90 \_\_\_\_\_

**Years in your specific parish:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Gender:** Mark with an X:      Male \_\_\_\_\_      Female \_\_\_\_\_      Prefer not to say \_\_\_\_\_

**Home language:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you:**                      a parishioner? \_\_\_\_\_                      or a visitor? \_\_\_\_\_

If you are a parishioner, do you have a specific role? If yes, please describe it. For example, proclaimer/ PPC chair, etc.

Have you considered joining another Catholic parish in the last 12 months?

Yes - to another Catholic Church \_\_\_\_\_      Yes - to another Church (not Catholic) \_\_\_\_\_      No \_\_\_\_\_

How likely are you to recommend your parish to friends, family, or anyone else?

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

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**LITURGY: Please evaluate how well your parish performs the following based on your experience (1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest, and NA if not applicable). Please mark with an X.**

The Mass is an uplifting and inspirational experience.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

The readings at Mass are proclaimed with clarity.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

The involvement of youth and young adults in the Mass, other than altar servers

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

The homilies given are relevant to my life.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Music during Mass is an uplifting experience.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

I feel welcome when I arrive at Mass.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

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**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: Please evaluate how well your parish performs the following based on your experience (1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest, and NA if not applicable). Please mark with an X.**

Addressing social justice issues, e.g., poverty, civil rights, labour law, abortion, euthanasia, migrants, refugees, etc.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Raising awareness of ecological issues, e.g., water-saving, etc.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Reaching out to the poor

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Reaching out to those in crisis (fires, floods, etc.)

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

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Reaching out to migrants, refugees, and asylum seekers

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Are you involved in any service ministries at the parish (Assisting those mentioned above, e.g. St Vincent De Paul)?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If YES, which one(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to get more involved in service ministries or activities? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If YES, which one(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

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**MARRIAGE AND FAMILY: *Please evaluate how well your parish performs the following based on your experience (1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest, and NA if not applicable). Please mark with an X.***

Marriage preparation programmes

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Programmes for the enrichment of family life

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Support of newly married couples

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Support of struggling marriages

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Support for new parents (couples/single parents)

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Care for the divorced and remarried.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

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**EVANGELISATION: Please evaluate how well your parish performs the following based on your experience (1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest, and NA if not applicable). Please mark with an X.**

Offering of programmes which introduce people to the Christian faith (e.g. Alpha)

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Encouragement of Small Christian Communities (faith sharing groups)

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Welcoming of newcomers into the parish

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Do the parishioners reach out to non-practicing Catholics and those with little or no religious experience in order to bring them into the church community?

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

The Mass as a welcoming experience to non-Catholics or non-practicing Catholics

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Involvement, collaboration with other Christian denominations

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Involvement, collaboration with non-Christian faith groups

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Promotion of vocations to the priesthood, permanent diaconate, and religious orders

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

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**FAITH FORMATION: Please evaluate how well your parish performs the following based on your experience (1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest, and NA if not applicable). Please mark with an X.**

Catechism as a means to encourage children to become active followers of Jesus.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Confirmation as a means to encourage youth to become active members of the parish.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

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Programmes for the reception of adults into the parish (RCIA)

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Ongoing faith formation programmes offered to adults.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Baptism preparation for parents of infants to be baptised.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

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**PARISH COMMUNITY BUILDING: *Please evaluate how well your parish performs the following based on your experience (1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest, and NA if not applicable). Please mark with an X.***

Reaching out to the bereaved

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Reaching out to the sick/housebound

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Reaching out to the aged

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

The sense of belonging in the parish: being known, loved and supported.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Events or activities for the parishioners to get to know each other.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Communication from the PPC or parish office to the parishioners about parish events or newsworthy items

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Has anyone from the parish made contact with you in the last 3 months? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to have more contact? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

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**YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS: Please evaluate how well your parish performs the following based on your experience (1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest and NA if not applicable). Please mark with an X.**

Encouragement of youth and young adults to get more involved in parish life.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

The relevance of the Mass to youth and young adults

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Reaching out to non-Catholic youth and young adults

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Encouragement of youth and young adults to engage in broader parish social activities, not only 'youth' social activities.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Support by parish to young people.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

Encouraging the inclusion and active participation of young people affected by frailty and any form of disability (eg. including mental and physical)

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

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**GENERAL FEEDBACK**

What do you think is working well in the parish?

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What do you think could improve in the parish?

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Overall, rate how well you think the parish is doing in achieving the missionary mandate of striving to bring the Gospel to all and making disciples.

1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9      10      NA

If you would like to make any comments or suggestions, please do so below.

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***Thank you very much for taking the time to complete the survey!***

***August 2024***