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DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY



St Pius V At A Glance

Registered parishioners by age:

Under 18:	133
18 - 30:	64
31-60:	218
Over 60:	146

Total number of DMI surveys completed: **231**
(95% of the parishioners who regularly attend Sunday Mass).



What is the DMI?

This past Spring, parishioners across the Archdiocese of St. Louis were invited to share their thoughts, reflect on their spiritual growth as well as provide parish leadership with invaluable insight regarding their parish's strengths and opportunities through a survey, the Disciple Maker Index (DMI). The DMI survey is designed to capture information regarding attitudes and beliefs, relationship and satisfaction, participation, and demographics.

The Disciple Maker Index contained 75-questions designed to provide an opportunity for parishioners to reflect on their individual spiritual growth and overall parish effectiveness.



Based on the average October Sunday Mass counts from 2015-2021, about 60% of Mass-going Catholics participated in the DMI Survey. This is above the national average for other dioceses who have taken the DMI nationwide. Scan the QR Code or visit www.allthingsnew.archstl.org to see the rest of the archdiocesan-wide results!

Our Community's Participation

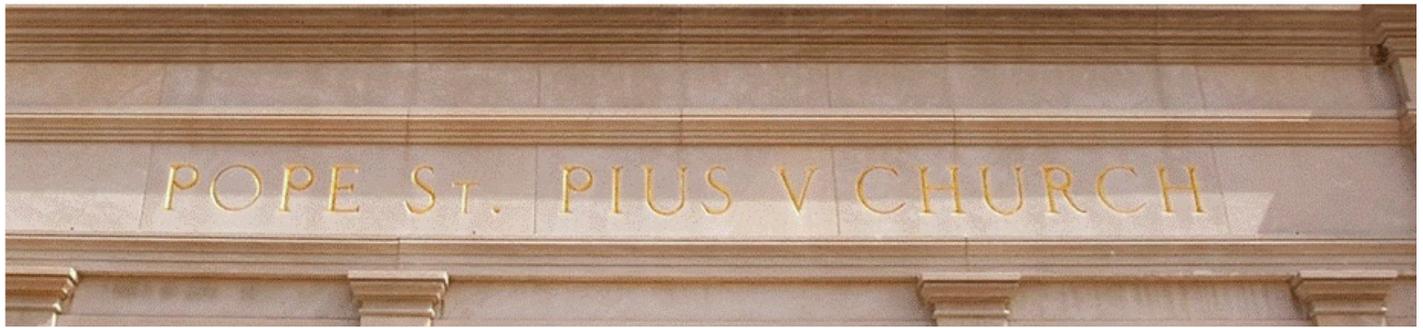
Two hundred thirty-one adults in our parish - or about 54 percent of all registered parishioners - took the time to give their feedback. The national participation average is between 7-10 percent, so this puts St. Pius far above the national average.



St Pius is my spiritual home which nourishes me, and I am so grateful for the people in this parish.

*Sister Genevieve Cassani, SSND,
Parishioner*





What you told us about St Pius Parish

St Pius V Parish helps people grow closer to Jesus.

What is it like to go to church at St Pius?

How do we help our neighbors in need, and seek to transform our world?

How can we better promote the Gospel?

SUNDAY EXPERIENCE

St Pius is a great place to be Catholic! We are a welcoming parish.

We celebrate our diversity and our unity as the Body of Christ. Our membership includes people from countries around the world.

Our liturgy encourages the participation of the people, especially through our music ministry.

Our 10 AM Mass is enhanced by the gifts of singers and musicians from West Africa and Myanmar.

Our lectors are encouraged to proclaim God's Word in their own language, showing the Spirit of Pentecost throughout the year.

The Children's Liturgy of the Word shares the Gospel with our youngest members.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

We are a visible and welcoming presence on South Grand. We are known throughout the area for our family-friendly Lenten Fish Fry.

We have decades of history of welcoming immigrants. We advocate for justice according to the Gospel and the social doctrine of the Church.

We serve our neighbors in need, especially areas of the city east of Grand, where there are few other available services.

Our food pantry feeds several dozen households every week; our convent houses 13 formerly unhoused men. We participate in Winter Outreach, hosting unhoused people on cold Sunday nights.

We also support Cabrini Academy which educates children from 16 countries.

OPPORTUNITIES

We desire to grow in our faith and look for more opportunities, for example, retreats and faith-sharing within the parish.

The art of spiritual discernment is needed. We are doing the right thing but often not clear how this is God's call.

We seem hesitant to speak about our Catholic faith. We do not often share how our relationship with Jesus Christ has enriched our lives.

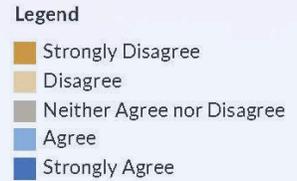
We seldom invite someone to consider the priesthood or consecrated life.

We need the support of the Archdiocese in training for ministries such as RCIA, faith formation and lay leadership.

The complete results may be viewed on our parish website www.stpiusv.org. Click on **All Things New**

My parish helps me grow spiritually by:

Making me feel welcomed and accepted.



Offering vibrant and engaging Sunday Masses.



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



Preaching and homilies that connect my faith with my everyday life.



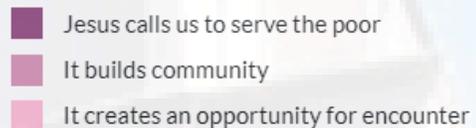
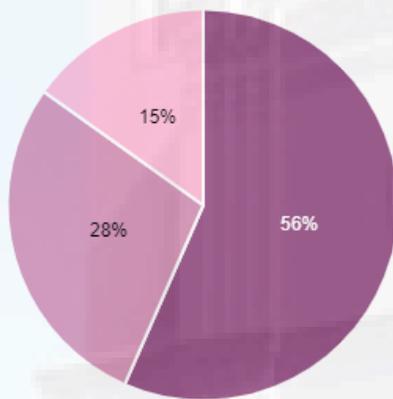
92% - We are a welcoming parish

82% - We offer vibrant and engaging Sunday Masses.

82% - Music deepens our participation at Mass

76% - Preaching connects my faith with my everyday life

What is the most important reason to encourage community service in my parish?



56% of our parishioners feel that we serve our community because it is what Jesus is calling us to do. The other 43% believe that community service is important because it builds community and gives us an opportunity to be a witness to our faith.

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

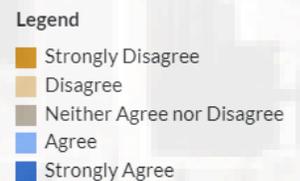
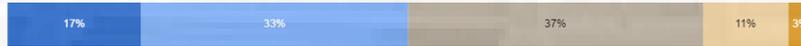
Teaching me how to share my personal witness story



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



Teaching me how to share the story of Jesus.



This is an area that our parish can grow. 39% have shared their witness story with another. 53% are confident in being able to talk about the church teachings. 50% have talked about Jesus with someone else.

*For just as the body is one and has many members,
and all the members of the body, though many,
are one body, so it is with Christ.*

I Corinthians 12:12



Dear parishioners,

This past March, as we began the Season of Lent, we asked everyone to complete a survey, the *Disciple Maker Index*, or *DMI*. This survey was a first step in helping our parish see ourselves in light of our strengths and opportunities. Our parish responded with enthusiasm: 95% of our Sunday Mass attenders completed the survey.

For the past few weeks, your parish *All Things New* team has been reviewing the results. We have just submitted a *Parish Feedback Form* to the Archdiocese. In general, we affirmed the results as an accurate “snapshot” of our parish. We also gave specific examples about our community and our ministries.

The complete results may be viewed on our parish website: www.stpiusv.org.

Thanks to everyone who participated. Thanks especially to our ATN team: Ron Auer, Jessi Livengood, Paul Lynch, Sara Mashburn, Deb Torres and Sr. Cathy Vetter, who have been meeting almost weekly from the beginning, and several times a week to finish this work. Thanks to our newest member, Deacon Allen Boedeker.

This project has once again shown that St Pius V Parish is a great place to be Catholic.

This coming Tuesday, July 5, I will depart for New Mexico, to serve as an advisor on the St George Trek at Philmont Scout Ranch. This trek is a combination of a high-adventure wilderness experience and a vocation discernment retreat for some 40 youth from around the USA.

Next weekend, please welcome Fr John George Kadavumkandathil, OSFS, a member of the Oblates of St Francis DeSales. He will present the annual Missionary Cooperation Appeal.

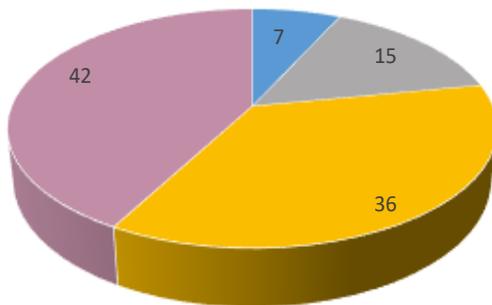
Peace be with you,

Fr Paul



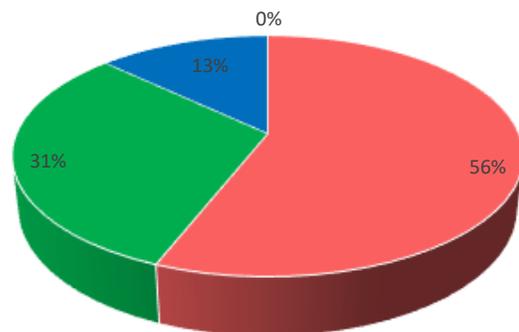
SHARING OUR FAITH

Personal Faith



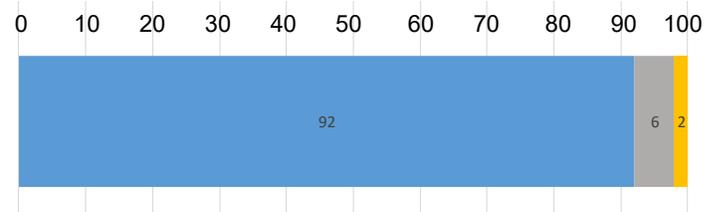
- My relationship with Jesus Christ is the most important relationship in my life. (42%)
- I have personally encountered Jesus Christ and am growing as a disciple (36%)
- I practice my Catholic faith, but do not know Jesus personally like a friend (15%)
- I consider myself Catholic, though faith is not a significant part of my life. (7%)

Preferred method of bringing others closer to Christ.



- Leading by example (56%)
- Being visible in the community(31%)
- One-to-one conversation (13%)
- Going door to door to invite others (0%)

92% of St Pius parishioners would recommend our parish to a friend.



"I would recommend my parish to a friend."

Agree (92%) Not sure(6%) Disagree (2%)