

The parish council would like to thank everyone who participated in the **parish survey** before Christmas. There were 168 surveys returned. In general, the responses were very positive about how the parish is working and serving the needs of our parishioners. A copy of the survey is enclosed in this week's bulletin and can be found on the parish website. It's good to know what is working and making our parish vibrant and strong spiritually. The comments and concerns voiced have been reviewed by the parish leadership and continue to help shape the path forward. The information gathered is being incorporated into the future goals of St. Padre Pio Parish. The parish council, Fr. Art and Fr. Pat will be working on a long range plan based on the Vision and Mission statements. Some areas consistently identified in the survey where we can make positive changes are as follows.

- Outreach/Evangelization
- Young adults (18-35) and young families
- Improved communication

Participation and stronger involvement for all members – social and volunteerism

It is our hope that focusing on these areas will help our parish achieve the goal in our Mission statement: “***We are a family answering the call of Jesus to be shepherds to his flock and to respond to his command to “Feed My Sheep”***”. We view this as the beginning of a continuing process of evaluation and progress towards our goal and we encourage everyone to participate in any way you can and to continue to express your opinions, both positive and negative, to the members of the council, Fr. Art or Fr. Pat.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion	
Overall, I am satisfied with St. Padre Pio Parish.	106	49	2	0	0	157
St. Padre Pio is a warm and welcoming community.	112	49	2	0	0	163
Opportunities for fellowship and social gatherings are adequate.	78	77	5	0	1	161
The weekly mass and homily have a positive impact on my life.	96	63	0	0	4	163
I feel I am valued as a member of our parish.	66	78	2	1	8	155
My opinions are sought and listened to by parish leadership.	45	72	8	1	26	152
Parish communication is good.	64	81	8	2	3	158
I have confidence in how money is spent within the church.	64	67	12	0	14	157
I currently volunteer my time and talents to our parish community.	48	50	16	3	24	144
Religious education meets our children's needs.	41	47	6	2	52	148
Sacramental preparation classes are well taught.	32	46	3	1	64	146
Youth programs are strong within St. Padre Pio Parish.	31	59	16	2	37	145
There are many opportunities for adult education and spiritual growth.	42	68	13	2	28	153
The music ministry enhances our liturgy.	98	47	5	3	7	160
Devotional opportunities (rosaries, stations, adoration) are offered in this parish.	73	64	3	1	9	150
Members are encouraged to get involved and participate on all levels.	86	67	2	1	7	163
The parish council is a valuable and well utilized resource of the parish priest.	65	62	5	0	32	154
Newcomers and visitors find friends and support quickly in our church.	57	66	8	2	26	159
Parish leadership works well with laypersons.	54	66	4	0	17	141
I find mass boring and the message lacking.	5	7	42	95	5	154
Our sanctuaries are well maintained and welcoming.	85	73	1	2	1	162
Our parish is striving to stay relevant in today's society.	74	74	5	1	2	156
Parish goals and achievements are communicated to the parish.	64	84	7	0	2	157
Parish staff is accessible and helpful.	62	82	2	0	10	156
Parish activities are planned and organized well.	68	76	3	0	5	152
I use the St. Padre Pio website as a resource.	27	47	21	8	32	135
I feel I can talk to the parish priest about my concerns.	73	65	9	1	16	164
St. Cecilia and Our Lady of Fatima sites are well maintained.	83	67	1	2	6	159
St. Patrick's Oratory is being used to its potential.	14	26	19	6	74	139
Parish groups welcome new members.	63	58	9	0	22	152
Parish priest is welcoming and available to all.	91	63	0	1	7	162
Outreach and evangelization is strong within our parish.	44	60	15	5	29	153
My spiritual needs are being met.	66	78	3	1	6	154
More activities are needed for our young adults.	37	51	18	2	39	147
St. Padre Pio is a vibrant Catholic community.	93	62	1	0	3	159
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