

Mary Queen Catholic Church sl
Master Plan Questionnaire Responses
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1. What do you love about Mary Queen Catholic Church?

Ministries/ Activities

Wonderful post Harvey community help through the Food pantry, important to those in need;
The extraordinary social ministry programs, The youth music;
Life Teen, Edge programs, Children's Liturgy;
They started CCE for special needs;
The food, there are many online outlets which is great;
Love that this parish has sustainability practices!
I've seen a big change in quality of programs being offered. Very educational;
The music department is awesome! I like the fact he plays music before mass to set the mood & so
you can pray & not hear the people around you;
Fellowship at doughnuts after Mass, New parishioner welcome event with pastor,
Choice Wine program - spouses together with childcare;
The Social Justice Ministries, the May Festival, the November Picnic, the Christmas Bazaar

Facilities

I love the beauty of the church inside and out;
The beauty of the interior. You know you are in a church not an auditorium, it puts the cathedral to
shame;
The building is beautiful... It's very peaceful, I like the various "nooks" and places to pray & light
candles, especially the one of the Virgin Mary;
It is very welcoming. The church has excellent layout, everyone gets a good view from any seat. The
symbols around the church are powerful reminders of history (ceiling, etc.);
We enjoy the positive atmosphere and we really enjoy the beauty of the church;

Atmosphere

I love that MQ is looking toward the future;
Community feeling of old and young working together;
The true sincere love of others, it is obvious;
Warm and loving church, Church helped so much with the loss of my son;
Our liturgies, our parishioner involvements;
The parochial staff;
We are visitors... Thank you for your welcoming atmosphere;
That nobody judges you;
It's friendly. You are greeted at the door with a smile;
I love that it is very traditional;
The family within a family;
There is an air of unitedness that is not easily found elsewhere;
Having been here from the beginning, it's very much our home! We've accomplished so much to
stay on top of ministry of all parts of Parish Life;

2. How can we encourage growth and participation within our Parish?

Communication

Use social media to reach out and publish events;

Keep the excellent e-communications and online information;

Continued internet access with posted information;

By what you are currently doing. Reaching out to let us know of the importance of participation;

I love the offerings now available for adults to learn more about Catholicism. Please keep them coming;

Has to come from altar since that is the only time most parishioners are here;

Highlight one ministry from the pulpit once a month;

Talk about it at end of each mass, Give success stories of different ministries;

Perhaps do an annual survey to stay current with needs of parishioners;

Services/ Activities/ Ministries

For the people in charge of committees to be more friendly and open to new members;

I would love 24hr Adoration;

Family activities;

Develop family fun nights. People don't want to spend more time away from their families;

Child care during mass;

Community events that help others such as a food drive or soup kitchen;

Host community involvement projects like The Big Event at Texas A&M. It's one weekend a year where those who can, help those in need. Painting trim work, repairing a fence, raking leaves in a yard;

No choir of youth, only one teen mass is not enough;

I think Young Life has been a great improvement;

Focus on teenage population. They are reluctant to attend mass as they didn't feel they are inspired.

Get them back & get them involved;

Sports leagues, Happy hours, trips to movies, sporting events, volunteer services, vacations, etc.

We used to go to Loaves and Fishes every month a few years back;

Time is a limited resource, and sometimes adding one more thing to the already jam packed schedule is difficult. Maybe offering an adult program that coincides with CCE schedule

Facilities

Build a gym;

We need a facility for our youth, like a teen center with a gym or a place for them to come together to create excitement and energy. It pains me that our young members of the church aren't more eager to participate in Mary Queen;

Other

Study families, young adults of today! The messages are timeless, but must remember the world & its' generations are not. A boomer and a millennial are not the same!

3. What are your dreams for the future of our Parish?

Worship

I'd like a Spanish Mass;
Perpetual adoration within the parish as the primary undergirding of communal prayer outside of masses. All else will fall into place if the Parish prayed together;
We would like to have another mass at noon or 11:30 a.m. For the people that work;
Live stream Masses

Children

Improved Nursery facility;
To have a MDO would be so awesome!

Ministries/ Activities

Ecumenical Bible Studies welcome at MQ all religions tolerated & understood, Catholic is not the only way to salvation;
Continue guest speakers for young adults & teens & adults;
More activities for seniors;
People bring disabled to masses and other parish activities;
Services for minorities;
That we will increase our commitment to social outreach & provide more to those in need;

Facilities & Site Improvements

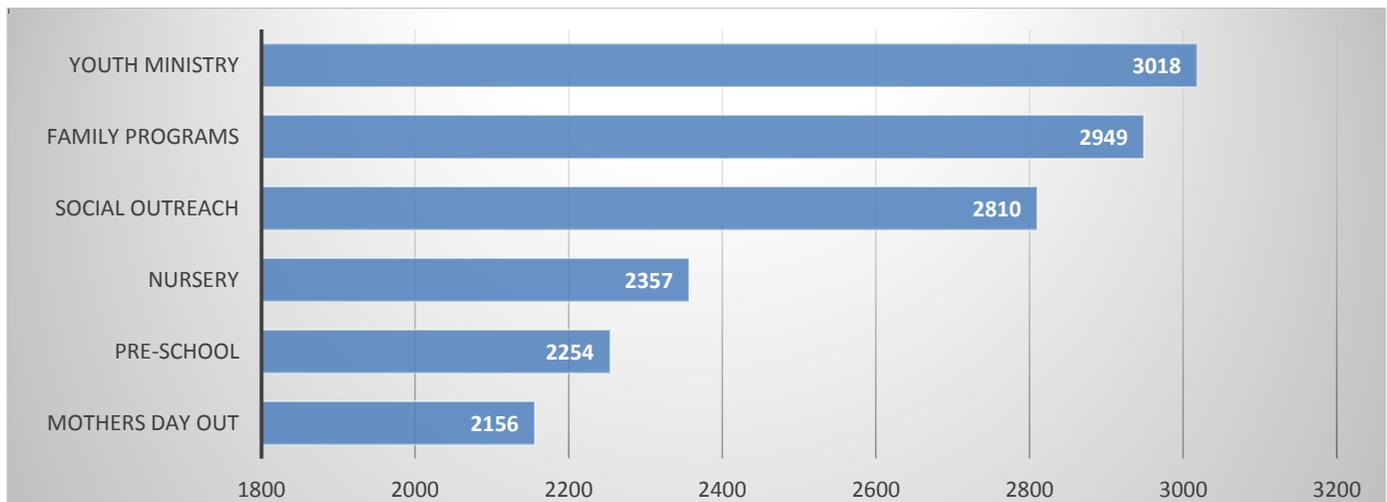
I feel a build out of our old church to create a youth environment should be established;
LaSalette Hall to become a modern meeting area. Good sound system & seating so we can invite guest speakers, singers, and groups;
A multi-purpose building as a means to keep MQ youth at MQ & in the faith;
Youth activity center or multi-generational activity center;
I would like to see a multi-purpose building with more classrooms and meeting spaces. This parish is busy every day of the week and I think that would help our parish grow even more;
To continue to see growth. I know there was talk about building a gym maybe that'll help grow the youth program;
For Mary Queen to have a rec center (Gathering Place) where families can come together to play games (such as dodge ball night);
Youth/Kids Building;
A Catholic school for the youth;
A Catholic school would be amazing;
A larger Community room;
A very nice event hall so that after the Catholic marriage the event can be held here instead of leaving and going elsewhere;
Having more meeting space and a family center;
Be able to meet without being pushed into an alternate room;
A larger Food Pantry;
Very happy about our new church;
Having a playground;
Stations of the cross, walking path & garden;
Bigger parking lot; gym; re-sale shop;
Expand the food pantry, Build more classroom space, Tear down the retreat house (drain of finances & it floods constantly). Use LaSalette Hall for a Youth Center;
Careful focus on keeping what we have maintained;
To grow and continue to further God's kingdom, and to build whatever sort of facilities or programs that we need to accomplish that goal;

Other

Be a symbol of strength and stability for the local area;
Having been at Mary Queen for 35 years, I have seen dreams turn into reality.
I have no dreams because it's been achieved;

4. What ministries or programs would be most beneficial to your family or the community?

(Calculations based on the sum of the responses) (Pre-school was excluded from the 71 online surveys)



Other Ministries Suggested:

Liturgical/ Prayer

- Liturgy
- Holy Mass
- Bilingual Mass/ Spanish Mass
- Communal Prayer in Sanctuary
- Holy Hour
- Adoration & Perpetual Adoration
- Confession all year round/ 1 a week
- Community Catechesis
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- Cursillo
- Legion of Mary
- Prayer Groups for the Sick/ Dying
- More Music Ministry
- Musical Programs/ Organ Concerts
- Bell Choir

Senior Programs

- Senior Citizen Programs/ Day Trips
- Outreach for Homebound

Adult Programs

- Young Adult Outreach
- College Bible Study
- Marriage Prep
- Married Couples Bible Study
- Natural Family Planning Classes
- Adult Bible Studies/ Formation/ RCIA
- Divorce Ministry
- Single Parent Programs
- Parish Retreats/ ACTS
- Apologetics

Children Programs

- Catholic School
- CCE
- Summer Activities
- Boy Scouts
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Teen Social Activities

Counseling

- Pro-Life Crisis Program/ Abortion Healing
- Marriage Counseling
- Family Crisis Counseling
- Grief Counseling/ Widowed Support Group

Fellowship

- Donuts and Bagels after Mass more often
- Gala
- Activities for those without a family
- Ministry of Care
- Quilters
- Women / Mom Ministry
- Knights of Columbus Enrollment
- Zumba / Yoga
- Movie Day
- BBQ
- Mission Abroad Trips
- Fundraisers

Social Services

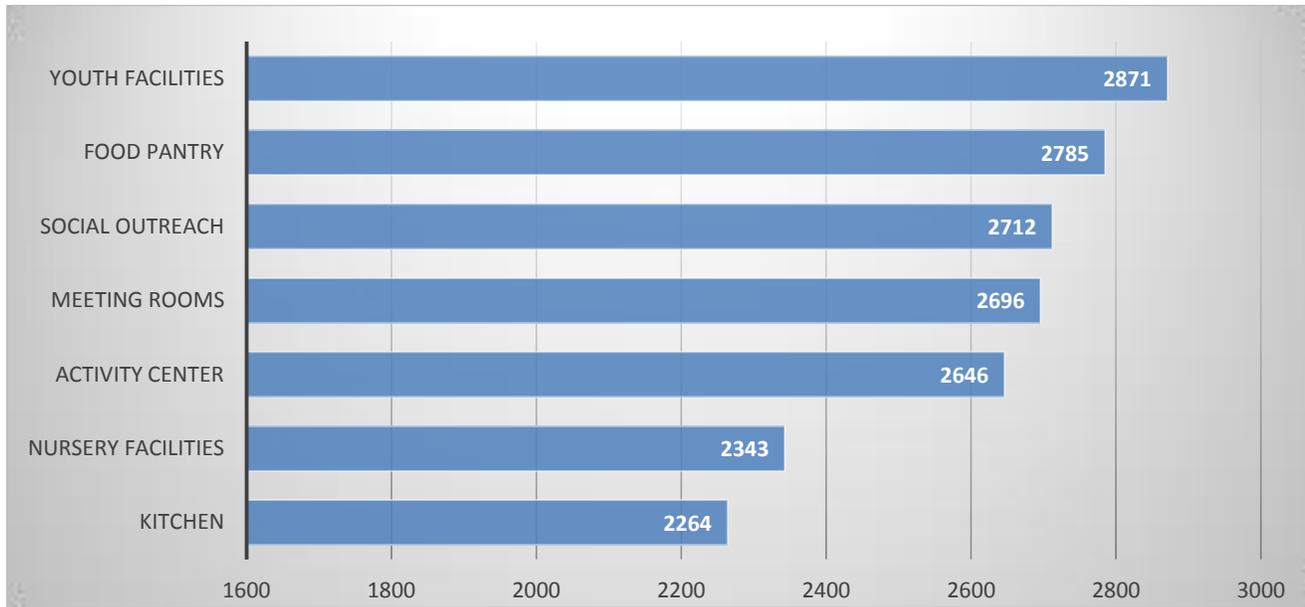
- Learning Programs
- Dave Ramsey
- Healthcare
- Meals on Wheels
- Local Homeless Aid

Other Ministries

- Ministries of Care
- New Parishioner Ministry
- Friends Outreach
- Hispanic Ministry
- Alternate Lifestyle Outreach
- Special Needs Programs for Disabled and Mental Needs of all ages
- Prison Ministry Support
- AA
- More Interfaith Cooperative Programs
- More programs about change in the church

5. How would you prioritize the improvement of the following areas?

(Calculations based on the sum of the responses)



Other Improvements Suggested:

Church

- Larger Cry Room/ Enforcement
- Curtain to Hide Mural
- Religious Store
- Mass Cards during Weekend

Site

- Grounds
- Sign
- Recycling Center
- Columbarium
- Outdoor Court
- Children's Play Area/ Playground

Education

- Library/ Resource Center
- VBS (move weeks)
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- Gaming Center

Community

- Recreation Services
- Community Center
- More Room for Activities
- Gym/ Sport Facilities
- Showers

Security

- Entry control
- Policeman

Other

- Storage
- Sustainability
- Make use of Old Church
- Office Space for Staff

6. Please provide any additional comments below or elaborate previous answers.

Worship

This is one of the best churches we've ever attended;
 It is hard to hear Fr. Jim when sitting in the back section of the church;
 Audio in rear of church is not high enough. Difficult to hear for elderly;
 The organ volume needs to be turned down so that the singers and cantor can be heard;
 I wish you would cover the painting on the altar;
 I really enjoy the Youth Mass. Has a lot of energy. Leave feeling good;
 Adults also respond very favorably to the very type of Mass the teens are longing for... jokes highly relatable to everyday life, inspiring action, energy;

Ministries

Great work by sustainability ministry. Install more solar panels. Bravo Mary's Food Pantry!

I've been looking for a Catholic MDO program;

This parish (and entire area of FW) lack's any sort of Catholic pre-school or MDO program. If the church wants more families to be involved, then placing priority on this is very important;

I would like to see stronger youth program to make them more fun;

Young families here are hungry for support and practical catechesis for their vocation as parents...

not just a passing presentation, but an ongoing ministry. Parents need help to keep the faith in the domestic church;

We noticed that there are a lot of opportunities for youth and young adults and middle-aged adults, but very few for married couples in their 30's-40's or couples with no children;

A program where people are paired to check on each other would be good for elderly;

Activities

We loved the picnic in the park. Would love to see that event continue;

Perhaps a "Pasta with the Pastor" night for young adults or teens at rectory;

Facilities

We are not capturing enough attention of our youth and young families. Babysitting and youth facilities are the key;

Food pantry and social ministries need more space;

It would be very beneficial if MQ had the space to host deanery wide youth event. Even something like a gym;

Adult meeting spaces are needed;

Church (old is vastly underutilized. Convert to spaces needed most;

Perhaps LaSalette Hall could be remodeled to provide more meeting space;

Site

More quiet garden prayer spaces would be nice;

I worry about safety after church shootings;

Would like to see more security on the property especially at night when so many groups are meeting;

Finish the covered walk brick on columns, and landscaping;

Church exterior has an accumulation of mold/mildew, south side facade, near the bottom of the drain downspouts;

Other

I think we need to be clear of debt before going into another debt;

Purchase the "old Building" from the School District and create a school. Build a softball backstop by Mary's Garden with picnic area;

On your website, include short videos of the different ministries for us visionary learners, we can get a better understanding of what each does;

Need to keep our young families involved;

Please consider diversity in the Master Plan. Diversity encompasses more than race, gender, age and social class;

The books you have been providing us during Christmas masses (Matthew Kelly) have helped me come back to the church, and have also impacted friends of mine who are non-Catholic;

The names of the people on the planning committee should be made public. A town hall meeting should be held so people can voice their opinion;

May be time for another Parish Directory;

Appreciation

I am excited for our future!

Nothing to add, System is not broken;

I appreciate this opportunity;

Thanks for taking the time to do the survey and get other's opinions;

Thank you for wanting parishioner feedback in order to make all feel that it is their church and home;

We are a large parish with many needs. I will pay for your discernment in prioritizing these needs and will be supportive;

Overall, I feel this Parish has great leadership and is way above average! Thank you!