

PARISH SURVEY RESULTS

St. Joseph's Parish Council distributed a Parish Survey in the Spring of 2016 in response to the Diocese of Youngstown's Pastoral Plan for Evangelization. The Diocesan Pastoral Plan is the result of months of consultation with clergy and laity representing all ages throughout the diocese which highlights seven themes that are most important to all of us as we plan for our future. We have focused our activities in Parish Council around the Diocesan Plan. The object of our parish survey was to hear parishioners' views on which of these seven areas they think the parish is performing well and which areas there are opportunities for improvement.

Based on the results and feedback we received in the survey from the respondents, the following areas are opportunities for us to grow:

- Youth Programs
- Church Repairs / Improvements
- Liturgical Music
- Parishioner Involvement
- Evangelization

We wanted to communicate to the congregation that we will focus our efforts on these opportunities for improvement throughout the remainder of 2016 and 2017. However, we need your help!! It is very important that we all work together on these opportunities to grow together as a community. The more that you are engaged, the more benefits we will be able to recognize. We will keep you all informed of progress through various forms of communication. At any time, please feel free to reach out to any of the Parish Council members to see how you can help. Any help is very much appreciated.

In a humble way, we are very pleased with the results of the survey. We ought to be very proud of what we have here at St. Joseph Church. It was very evident from the survey that we are a very caring, loving and faith-filled community going the extra mile to build God's kingdom here on earth.

In closing, if you wanted to complete the survey but were unable to when the survey was introduced, we still want to hear from you. It is never too late. You may still go online to our website to complete the survey, or you can pick up a survey in the Narthex at the end of Mass.

Thank you to all who participated in the survey!

God Bless,

St. Joseph's Parish Council:

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