

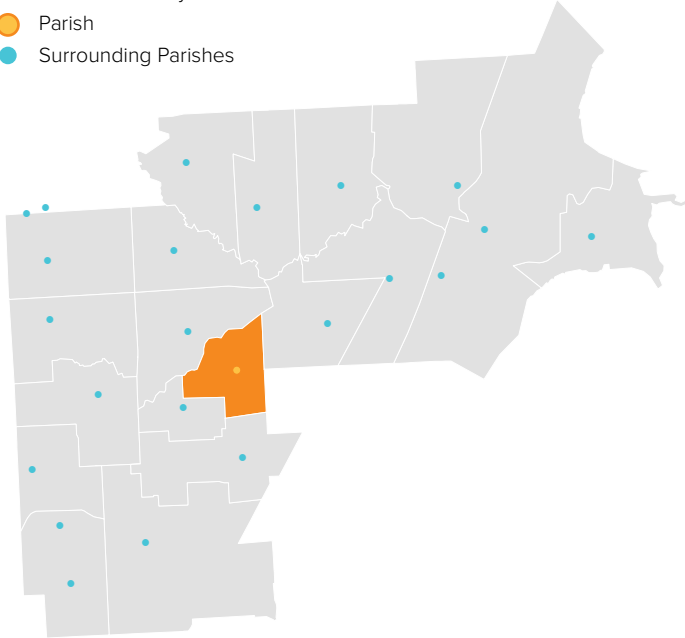
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Parish Profile and Survey Results

KEY

- Parish Boundary
- Parish
- Surrounding Parishes



TOTAL SURVEY RESPONSES

Parish ID	Name	responses
526	St. Malachy	112

PARISH LOCATION AND BOUNDARY - WITHIN VICARIATE

PARISH CATHOLIC POPULATION FACTS

	2000	2013	% Change
Total Registered Households	2,818	2,169	-23.0%
Total Registered Individuals	8,454	6,073	-28.2%
% of HH in Parish Boundary		42%	
% of HH Outside Parish Boundary		58%	

KEY U.S. CENSUS FACTS

	2000	2010	% Change
Total Households	5,302	5,069	-4.4%
Total Population	12,304	11,784	-4.2%
Median Household Income	\$47,371	\$52,557	10.9%
Median Age	36.7	35.2	-4.0%

PARISH FINANCIAL STATS

	08-09	12-13	% Change
Total Operating Income	\$869,377	\$979,773	12.7%
Total Operating Expenses	\$825,565	\$818,370	-0.9%
LDP Debt	\$-	\$-	0.0%
AOD & MCC	N/A	\$-	N/A
Outstanding payables			
Total Savings	\$78,638	\$550,504	600.0%

PARISH SACRAMENTAL STATS (5 YR. TREND)

	2008	2013	% Change
Baptisms	48	47	-2.1%
First Communion	61	43	-29.5%
Confirmations	56	46	-17.9%
Total Marriages	22	12	-45.5%
Funerals	85	88	3.5%

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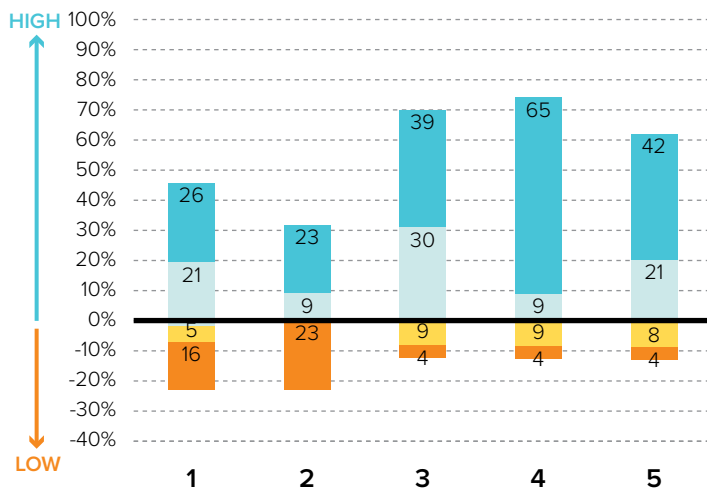
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 % Poor

Survey Results Part I: Mission Priorities

The following graphs show how parishioners rated each of the objectives associated with a mission priority area. The graphs are split between positive values for high ratings (“good” or “excellent”) and negative values for lower ratings (“fair” or “poor”). “Don’t know” responses are not shown in the graphs at right to more easily show the split between high and low ratings.

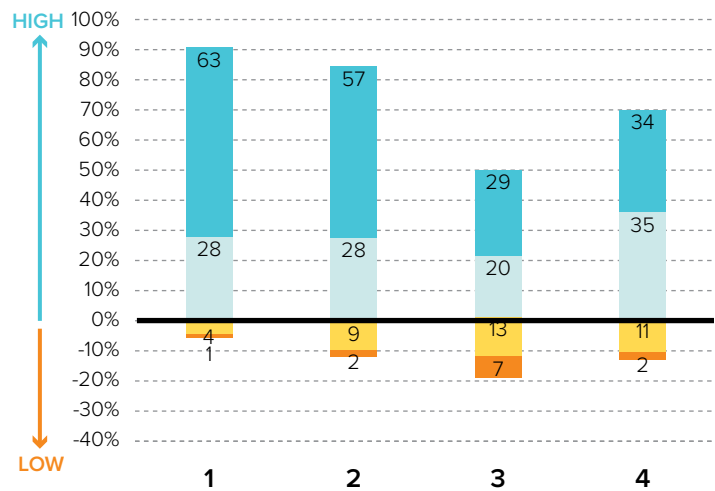
To the best of your ability, please evaluate how well your parish is doing in each of these areas.

PRIORITY AREA: CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



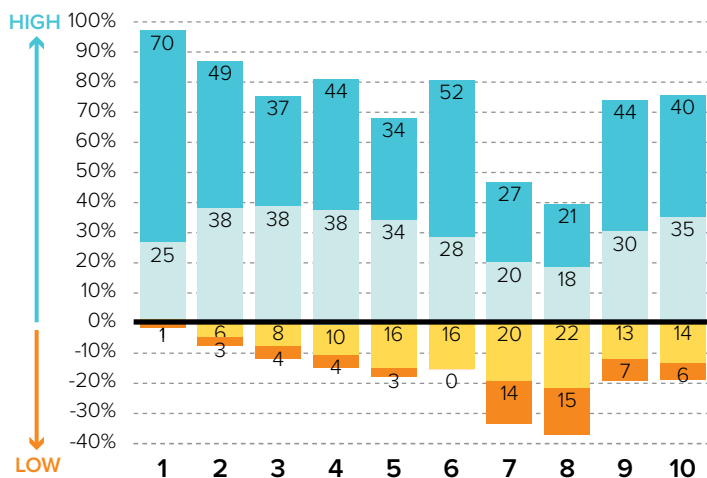
- 1 Ensuring a Catholic education is financially viable
- 2 Keeping tuition affordable to all Catholics
- 3 Maintaining a Catholic identity
- 4 Using technology effectively
- 5 Ensuring academic success and Catholic formation

PRIORITY AREA: CHRISTIAN SERVICE AND OUTREACH



- 1 Christian service projects for the parish community
- 2 Christian service projects for youth and young adults
- 3 Building interfaith relationships
- 4 Collaborating with other community organizations

EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS



- 1 Explicitly proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ
- 2 Evangelization leadership (committee, minister, etc.)
- 3 Offering ministries to evangelize adults
- 4 Offering ministries for spiritual growth
- 5 Offering programs aimed at parish renewal
- 6 Prayers for healing and spiritual reconciliation
- 7 Reaching out to inactive Catholics
- 8 Reaching out to non-Catholics
- 9 Providing adult faith formation and catechesis
- 10 Strengthening religious education

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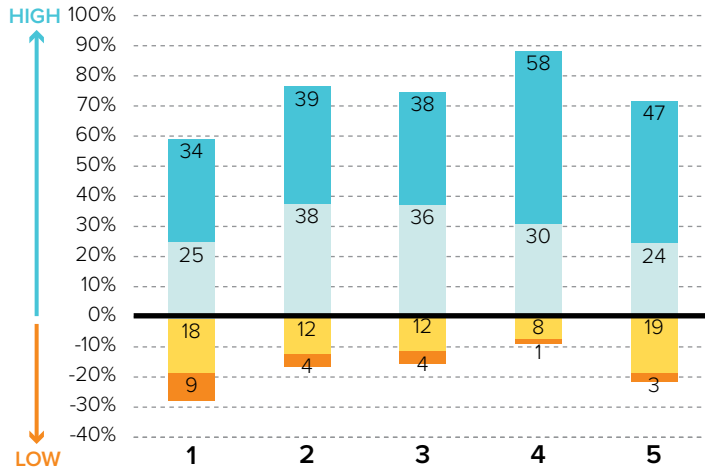
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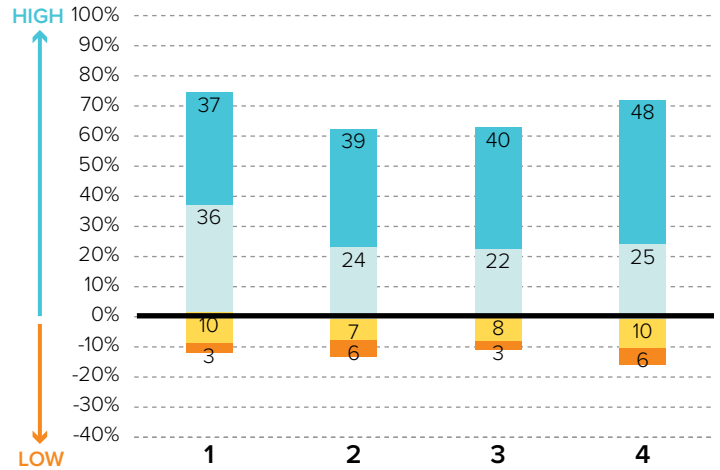
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PRIORITY AREA: LAY LEADERSHIP



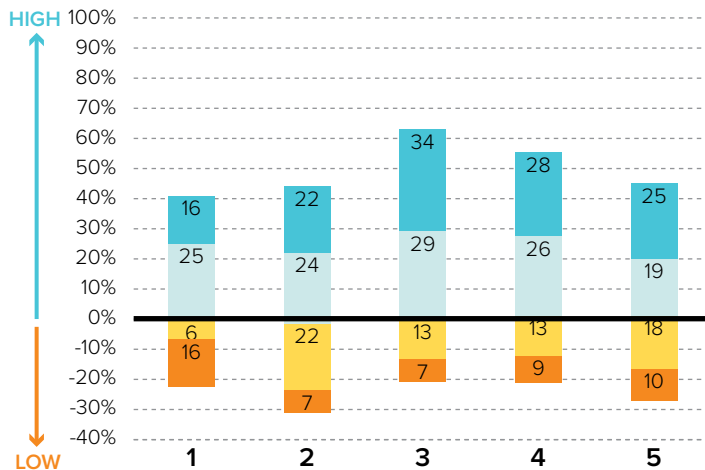
- 1 Training parishioners to identify their spiritual gifts
- 2 Increasing opportunities for lay involvement
- 3 Training and ministry for lay leaders
- 4 Encouraging parishioners to volunteer
- 5 Providing training opportunities for volunteers

PRIORITY AREA: STEWARDSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION



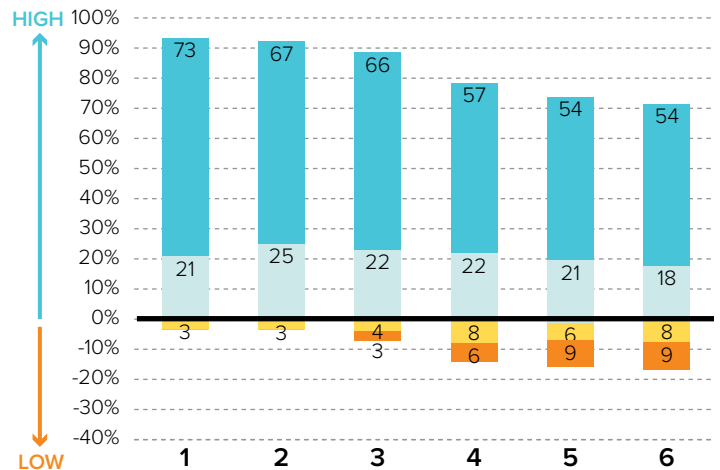
- 1 Communicating stewardship as a way of life
- 2 Forming an active Stewardship Commission
- 3 Supporting an active Finance Council
- 4 Financial transparency/accountability

PRIORITY AREA: VOCATIONS



- 1 Forming a vocations committee
- 2 Promoting vocations to priesthood/religious life
- 3 Promoting prayer for vocations
- 4 Inviting young people to consider Church vocations
- 5 Teaching vocation awareness

PRIORITY AREA: YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS



- 1 Providing regular meetings for teens
- 2 Providing special events for teens (e.g. retreats)
- 3 Engaging youth in parish life and liturgies
- 4 Providing regular meetings for young adults
- 5 Hosting special events for young adults
- 6 Engaging young adults in parish ministries and outreaches

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Survey Results Part II: Faith and Parish Life

YEARS AT CURRENT PARISH

How many years have you attended Mass at your current parish?

	Count	%
Less than 1 year	1	1.6%
1-5 years	15	24.2%
6-10 years	8	12.9%
11-20 years	18	29.0%
21-30 years	3	4.8%
31+ years	17	27.4%
Total	62	100.0%

MASS ATTENDANCE

How often do you attend Mass?



REASONS TO MISS MASS

If you do not attend Mass regularly on Sundays, how much does each of the following explain why? % "somewhat" or "very"

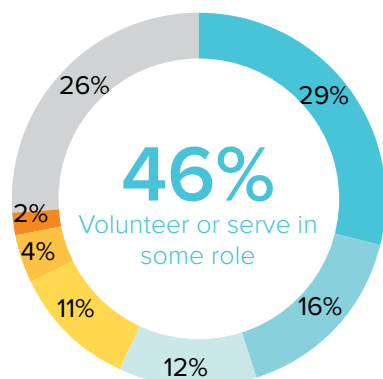
Demands of work, school, or sports	20.8%
Health problems or a disability	15.4%
Family concerns and needs	12.0%
Divorce or marriage outside of Church	12.0%
Clusters, mergers, and closures of parishes	7.7%
The parish is not welcoming	4.0%
The pastor is not welcoming	4.0%
Lack of children's ministries	0.0%
Masses are boring/irrelevant to me	0.0%

REGISTRATION

Are you a registered member at your current parish?



INVOLVEMENT IN THE PARISH



Do you serve, or have you ever served in any of the following roles in your parish?

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- Volunteer (e.g. catechist, Vacation Bible School)
- Member of a parish council, commission, or committee
- Music ministries (e.g. choir, musician, director)
- Liturgical ministries (e.g. usher, Eucharistic Minister, lector)
- Parish support staff (e.g. secretary, maintenance)
- Parish staff (e.g. youth minister, business manager, DRE)
- None of the above

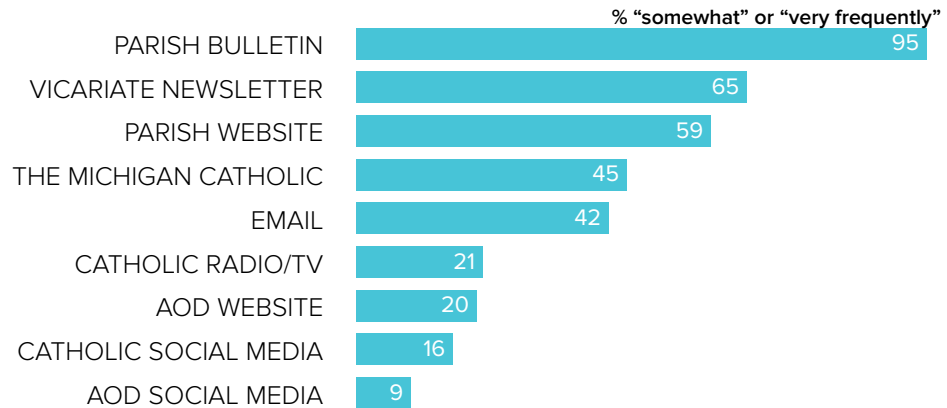
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COMMUNICATION METHODS

How often do you rely on the following for information about your parish, the Archdiocese, or the Catholic Church?



PARISH CHARACTERISTICS

How important to you are these characteristics in a parish?

	% "very important"		% "very important"
Quality worship service	96.7%	Devotions (rosary, adoration, etc.)	40.3%
Daily and weekend Mass schedules	81.4%	Opportunities for penance/confession	39.4%
Parish embraces Church teachings and values	76.1%	Small group ministries (e.g. Bible Study)	32.3%
Children's ministries (for all age groups)	65.7%	Catholic school	18.8%
Parish social groups/gatherings	49.3%	Mass in language(s) other than English	3.1%
Traditional music	47.8%		
Contemporary music	43.3%		
Service activities	41.8%		

PASTOR CHARACTERISTICS

How important to you are these characteristics in a pastor?

	% "very important"
Engaging preaching style	94.0%
Welcoming spirit	93.4%
Ability to connect scripture to the present	91.0%
Manages parish resources effectively	83.6%
Invites people into a personal relationship w/ Jesus	83.3%
Values input from laity	80.3%
Communicates parish priorities	74.6%
Challenges people to live a life of discipleship	70.1%

CHALLENGES FACING THE CHURCH

How would you rate the following as challenges facing the Catholic Church in Southeast Michigan today?

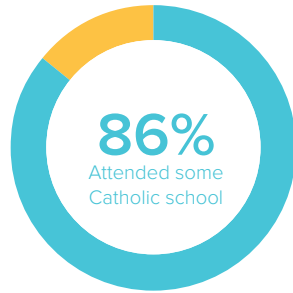
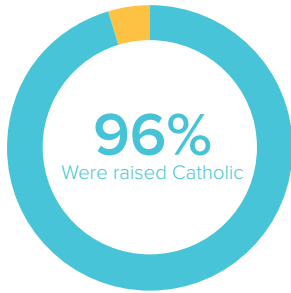
	% "serious challenge"
TOP 5 RESPONSES	
Shortage of priests/decline in vocations	83.3%
Engaging teens and young adults in parish life	66.7%
Society in general is less religious	63.1%
Priest sexual abuse	58.2%
Church funds/financial management	56.9%

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Survey Results Part III: Demographics

CATHOLIC BACKGROUND AND EDUCATION



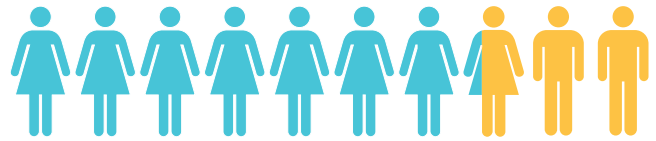
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- Raised Catholic
- Converted to Catholicism
- Not Catholic

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- Attended Catholic school
- Did not attend Catholic school

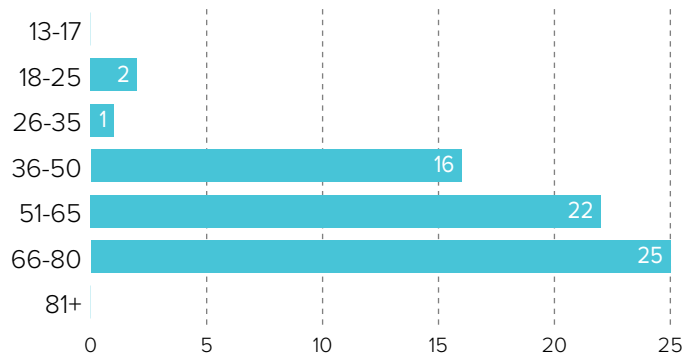
GENDER



72% WOMEN

28% MEN

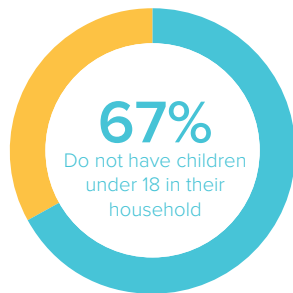
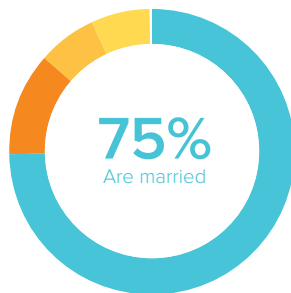
AGE



RACIAL OR ETHNIC BACKGROUND

	Count	%
White	65	98.5%
Black	0	0.0%
Hispanic	0	0.0%
Asian	1	1.5%
Native American	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
Total	66	100.0%

MARITAL STATUS AND CHILDREN IN HOUSEHOLD



KEY

- Married or remarried
- Divorced or separated
- Single, never married
- Widowed

KEY

- Do not have children
- Have children

ESTIMATED HOUSEHOLD INCOME

	Count	%
\$19,000 or less	0	0.0%
\$20,000-39,999	14	25.5%
\$40,000-59,999	10	18.2%
\$60,000-79,999	10	18.2%
\$80,000-99,999	10	18.2%
\$100,000 +	11	20.0%
Total	55	100.0%