St. Joseph Catholic Church Parish Survey

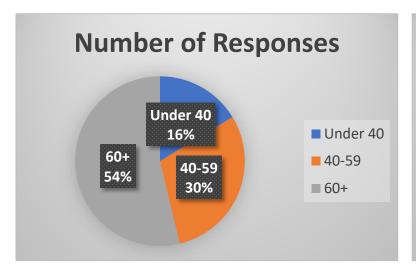
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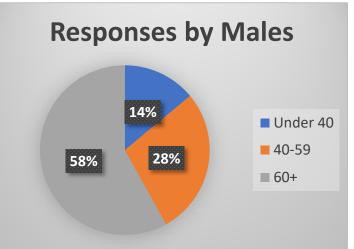
Thank you to all our parishioners who responded to our 2023 Parish Survey. The survey will assist us in assessing the needs of the parish. It is an opportunity to check in with our parishioners. This survey helps us with prioritization and planning for the next few years.

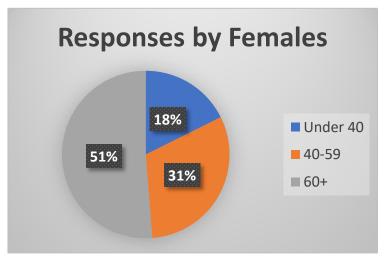
If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Adrienne Carroll, Business Manager @ adrienne@stjosephcolumbia.org or 803.254.7646 ext 439.

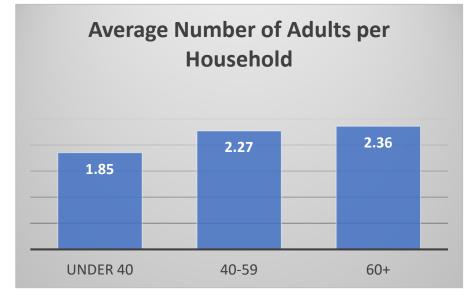
Thank you. Rev. Msgr. Richard D. Harris

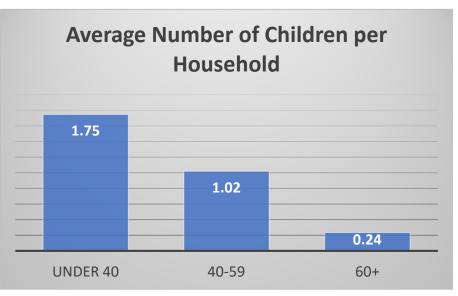
Survey responses reflect parish membership



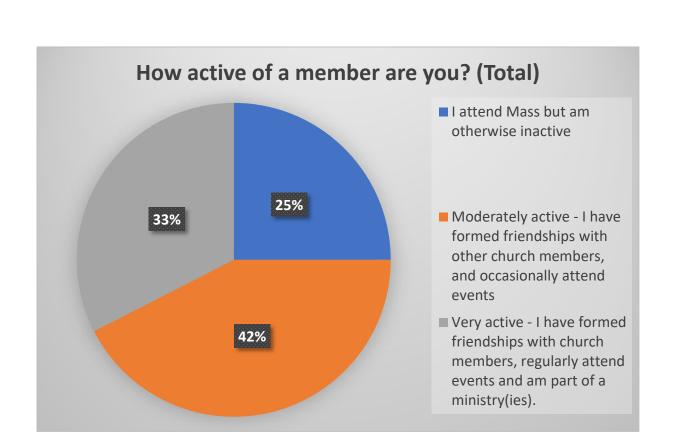


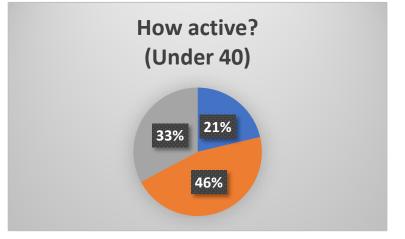


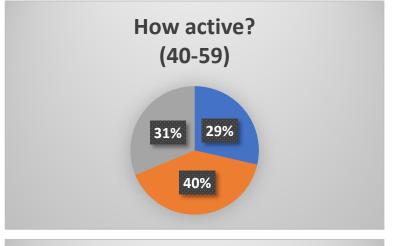


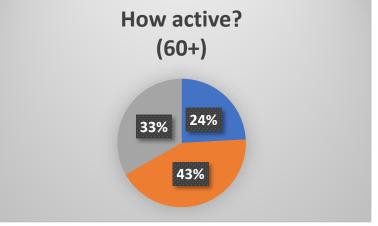


How active are our parishioners?

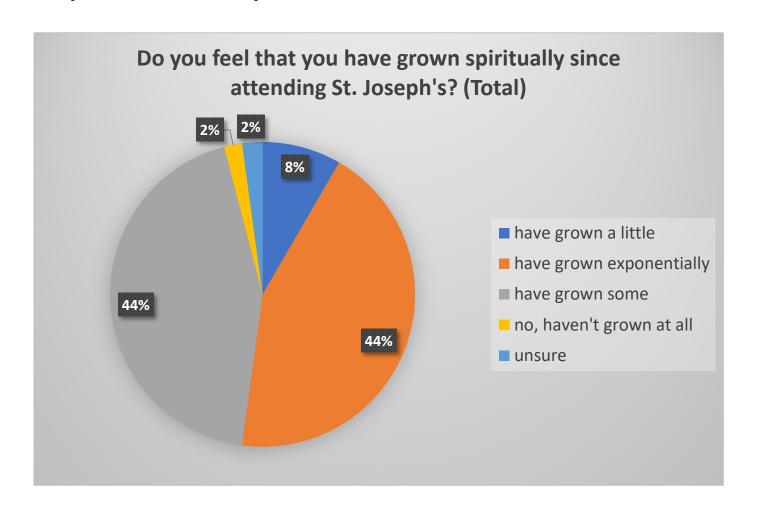


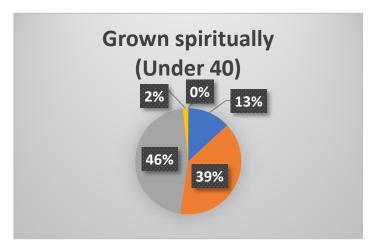


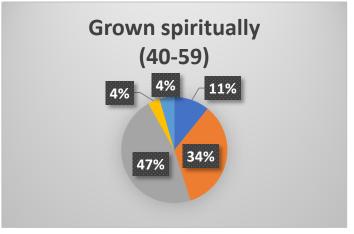


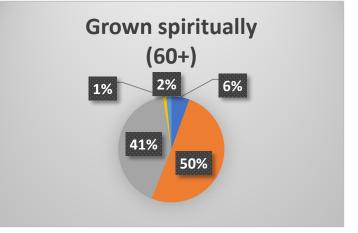


Almost all parishioners have grown some (44%) or a lot (44%) spiritually

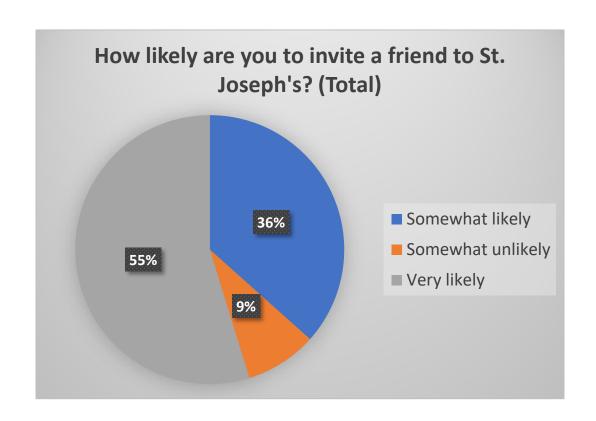


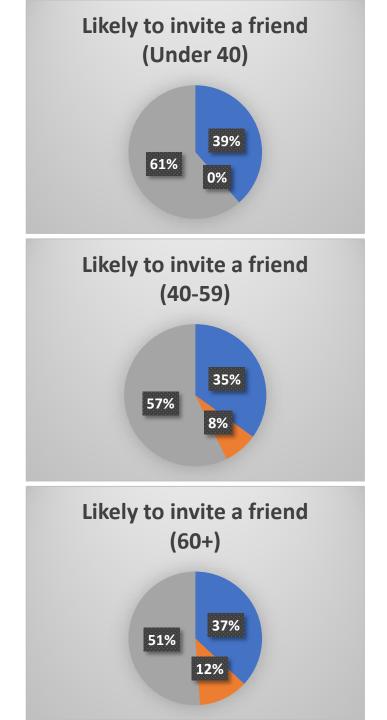






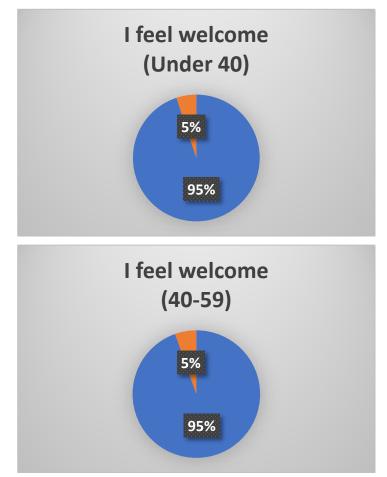
How likely are parishioners to invite others?

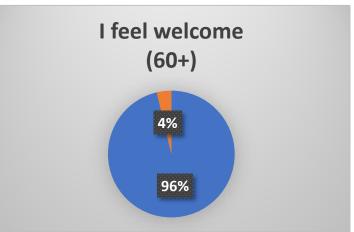




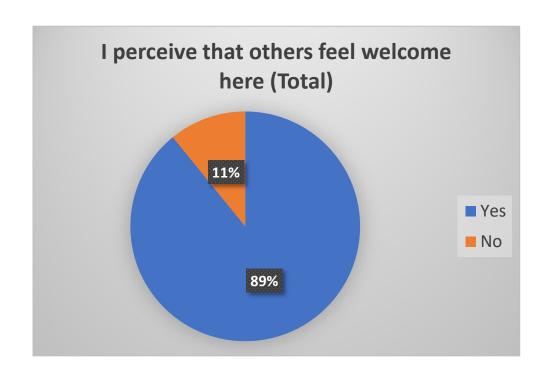
Parishioners feel welcome...

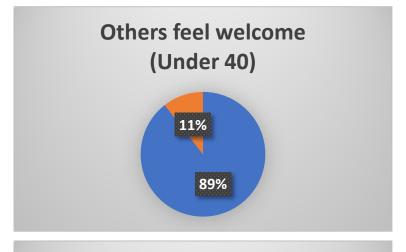


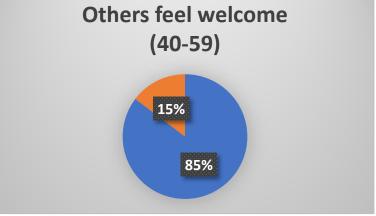


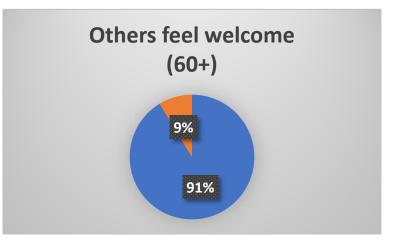


...and perceive that others feel welcome also.





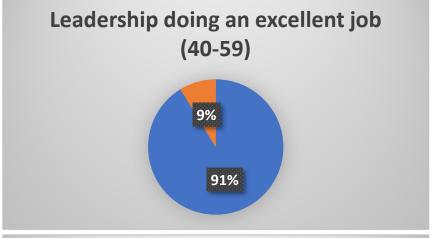


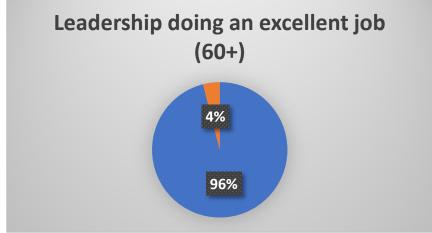


Parishioners strongly support leadership

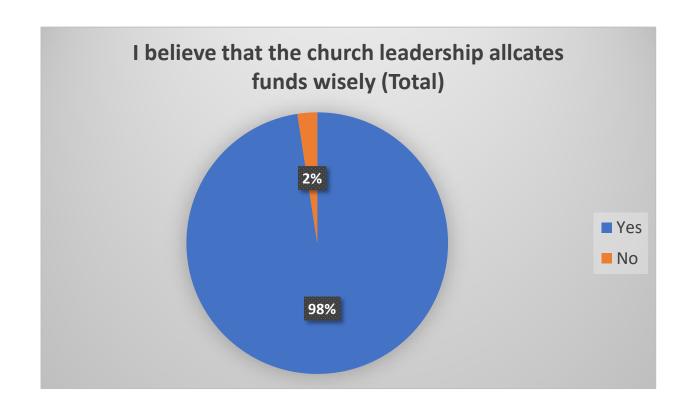


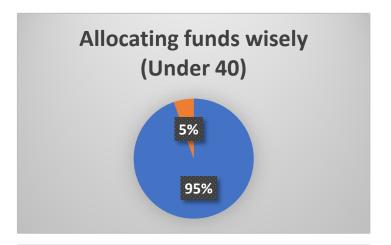


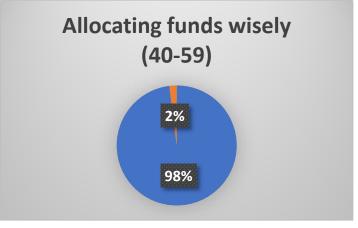


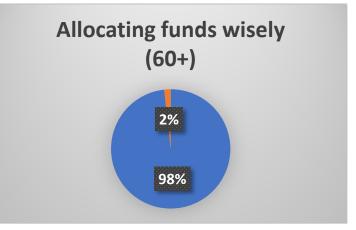


Parishioners believe money is well spent

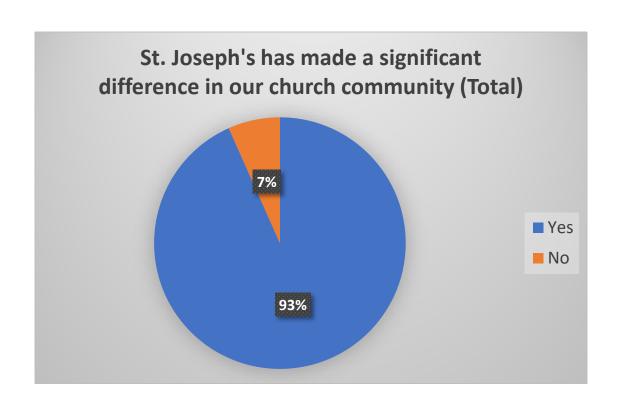


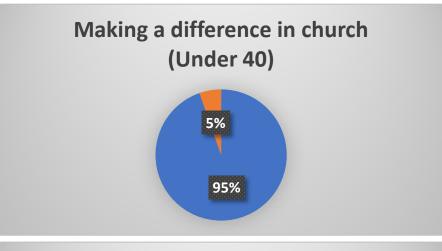


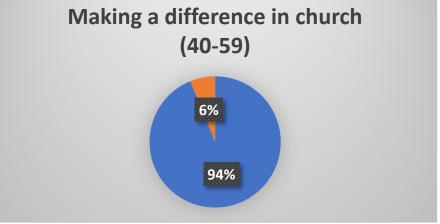


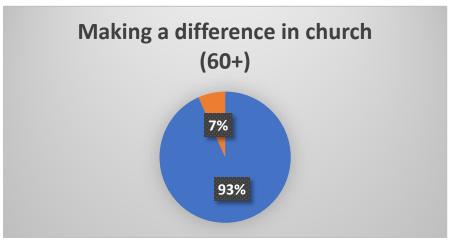


St. Joseph's has made a difference in our church community...

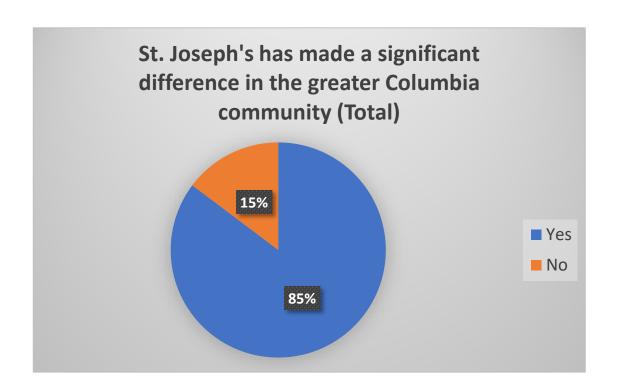


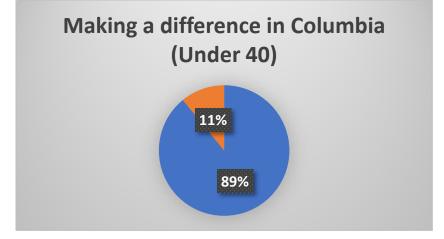


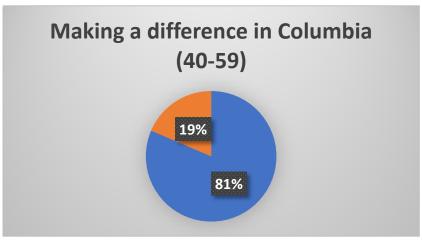


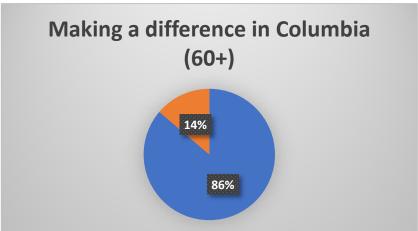


...and in the Columbia community.



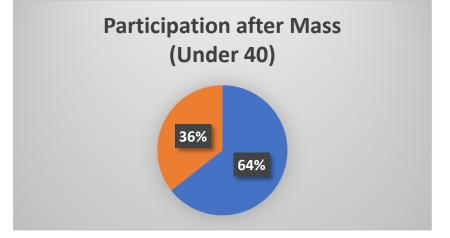


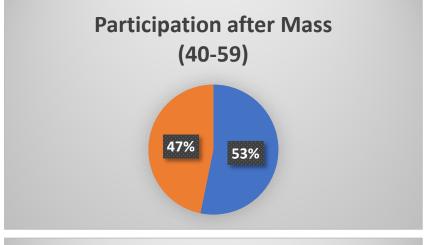


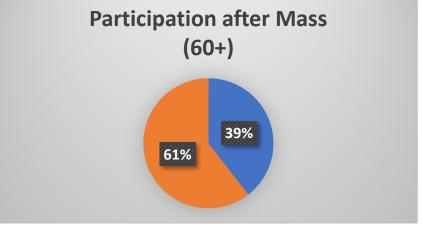


Older parishioners are less likely to participate after Mass



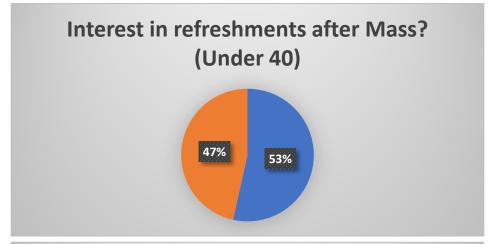


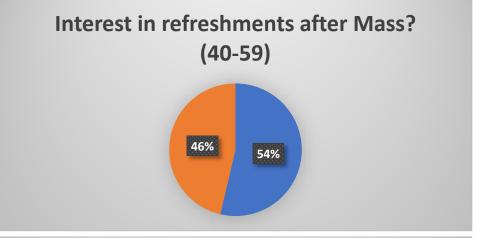


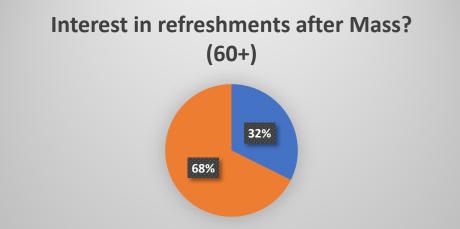


Younger parishioners are interested in refreshments after the Saturday Vigil Mass

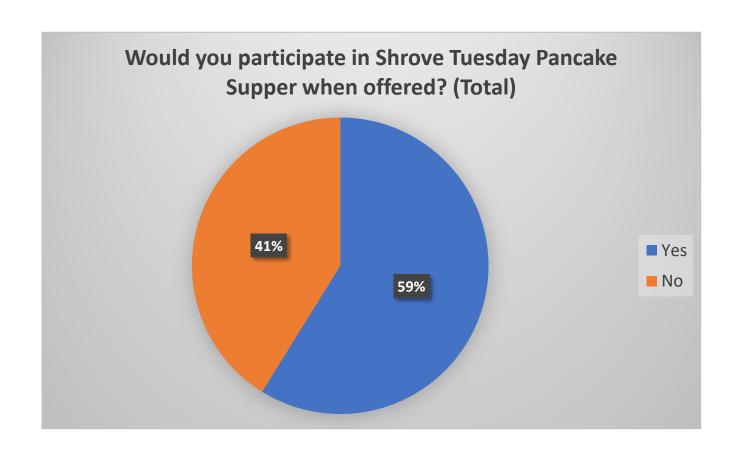


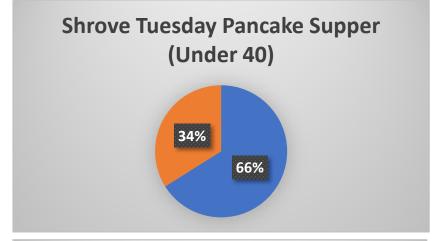


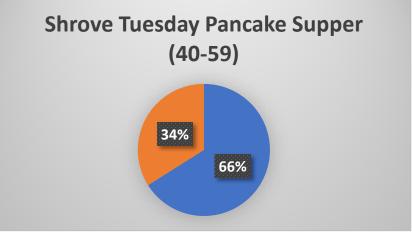


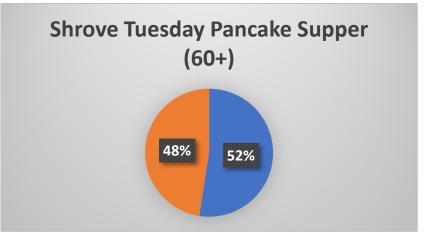


Moderate interest in Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, especially among older parishioners







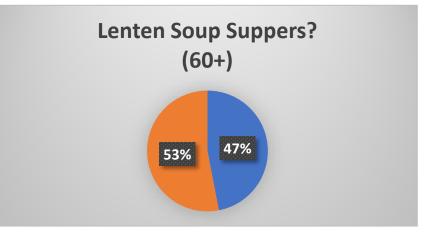


Younger parishioners are most interested in the Lenten Soup Suppers

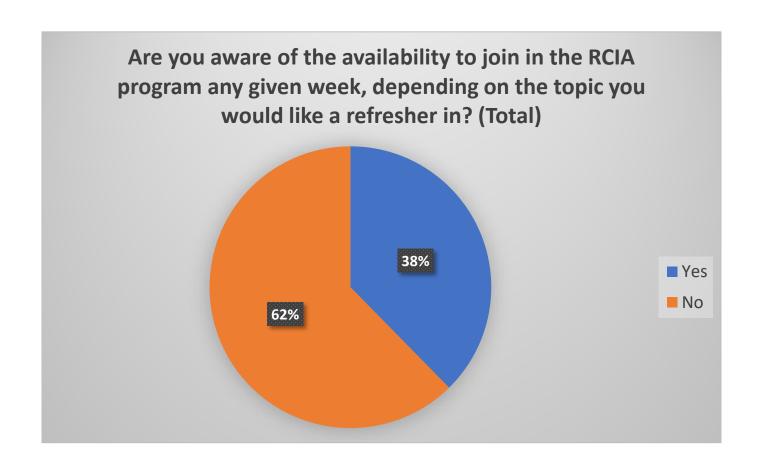


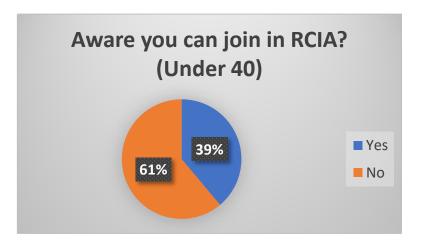


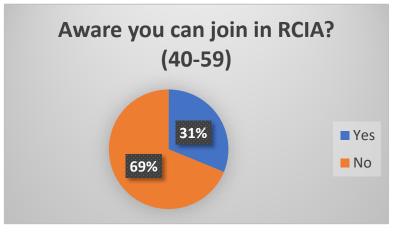


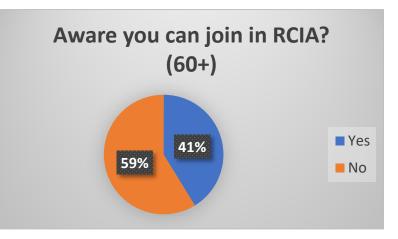


Most parishioners are unaware of the option to join in on RCIA



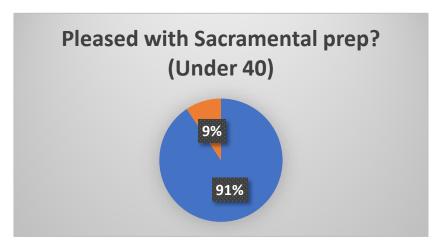


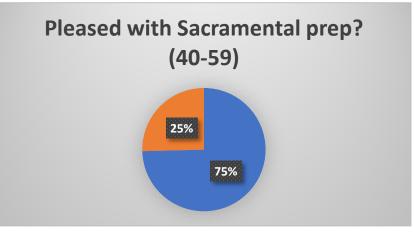


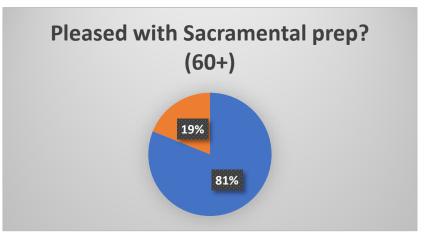


Most people are pleased with Sacramental preparation programs



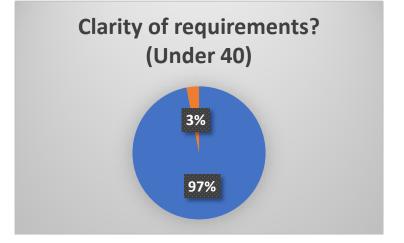


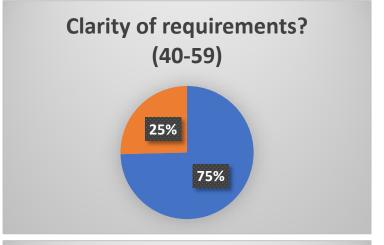


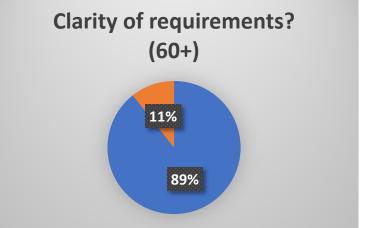


Most are pleased with the clarity of requirements for Sacramental preparation



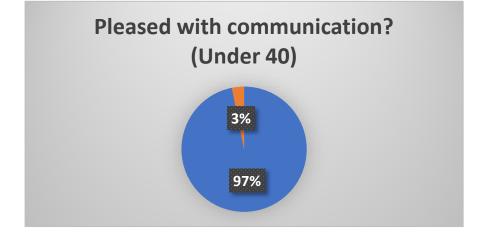


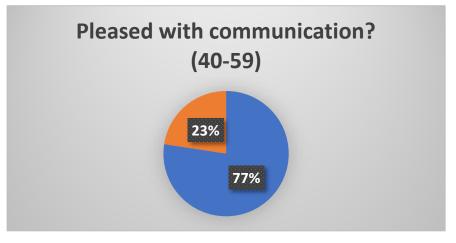


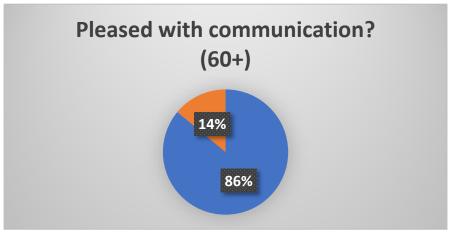


Most are pleased with communication regarding Sacramental preparation

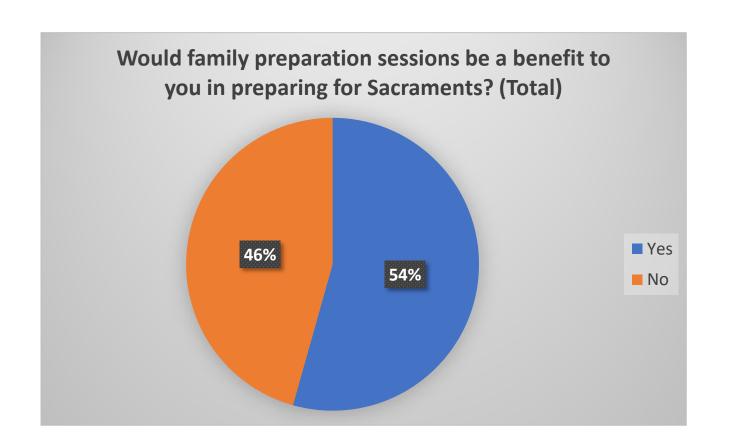


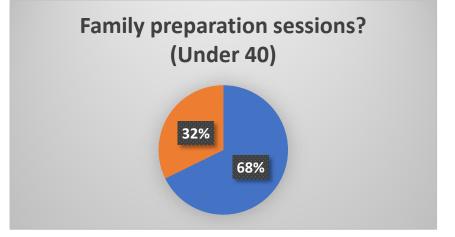


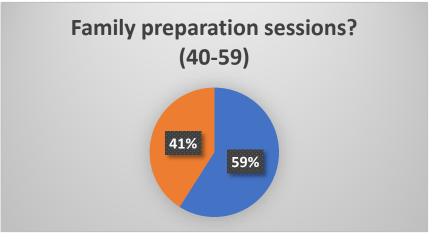


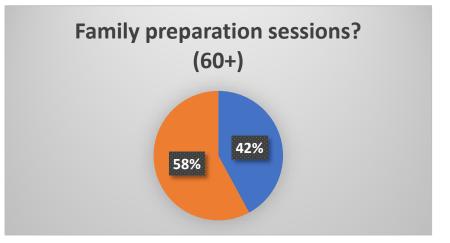


Family sessions for Sacramental Preparation

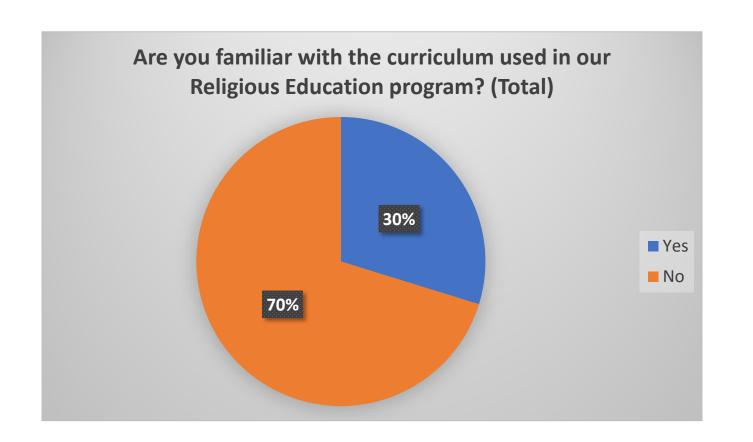


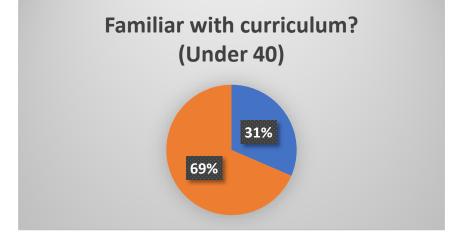


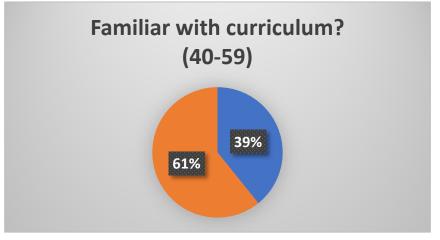


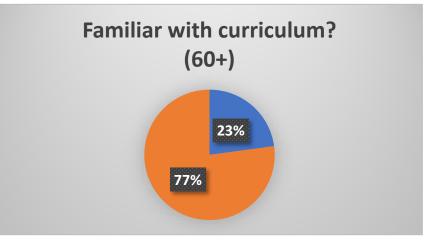


Most people are unfamiliar with the Religious Education curriculum

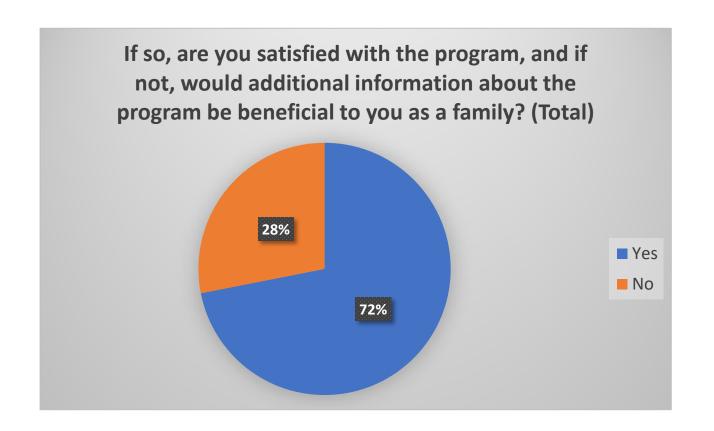


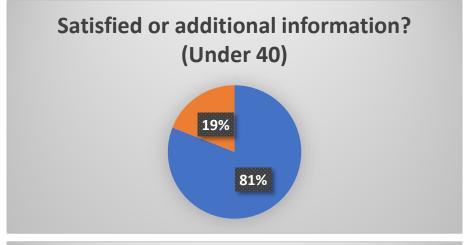


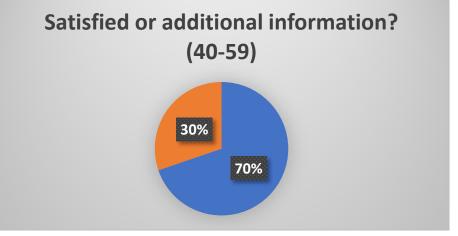


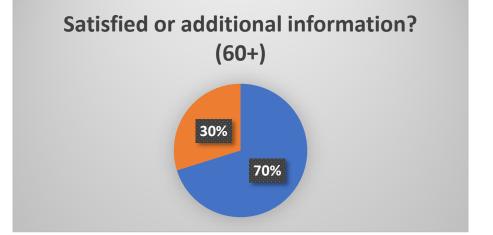


Those who are aware of RE program are satisfied or would like additional information

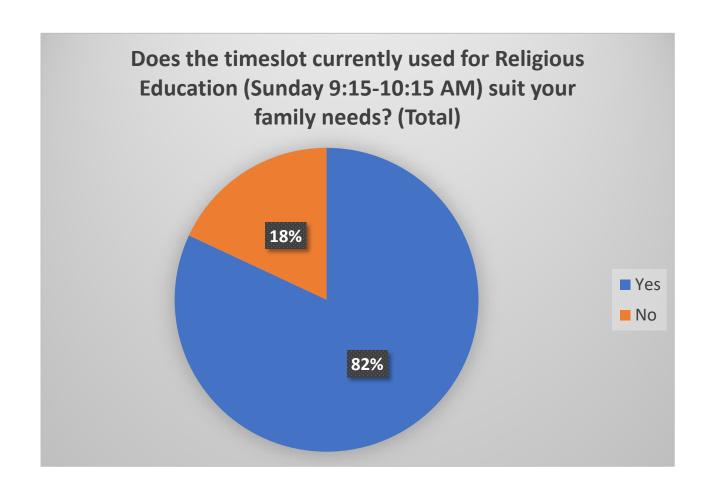


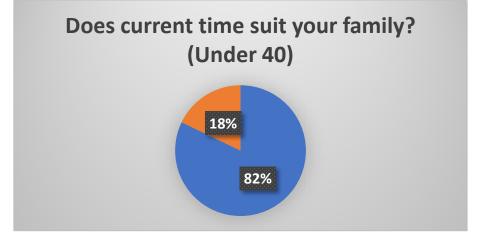


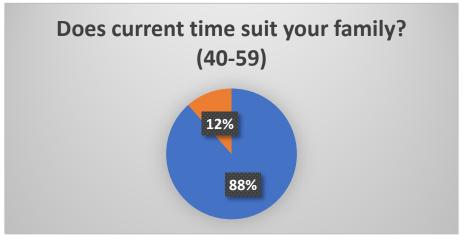


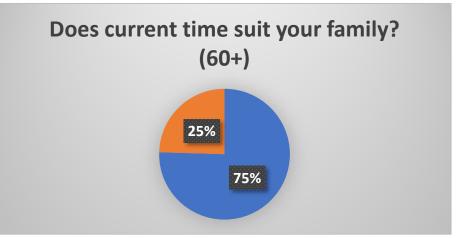


The Sunday morning timeslot works

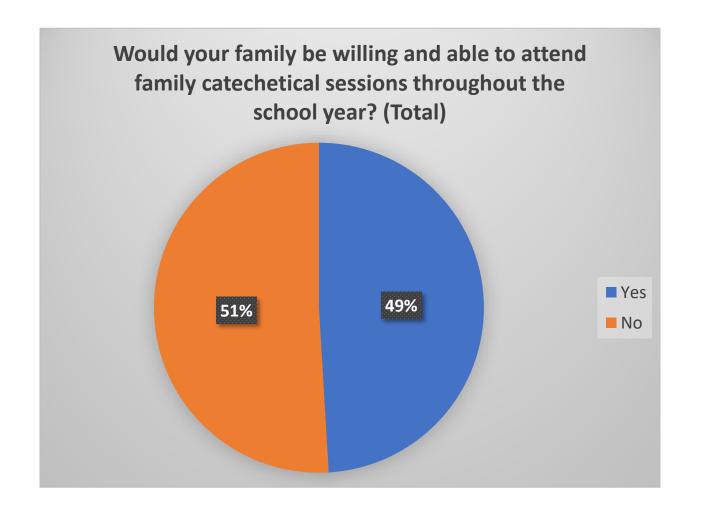


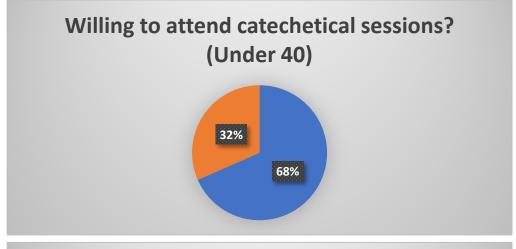


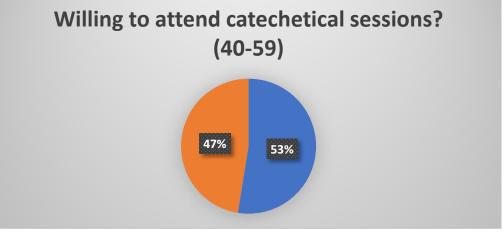


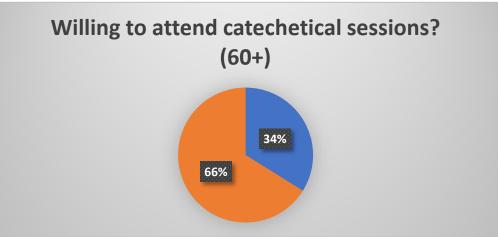


Interest in family religious ed sessions is stronger for young families



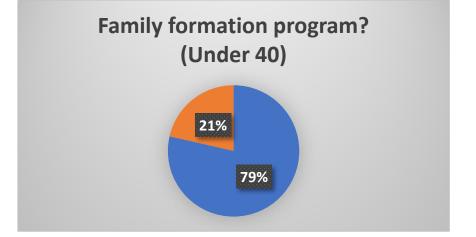


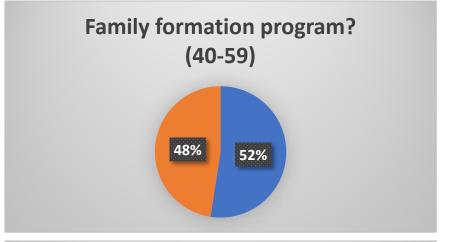


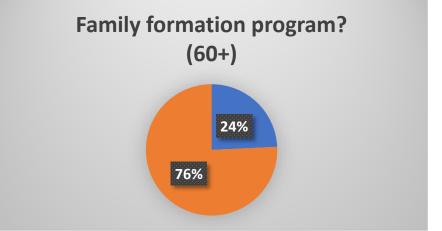


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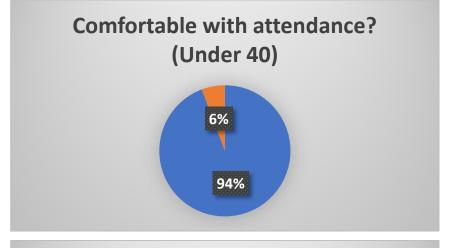


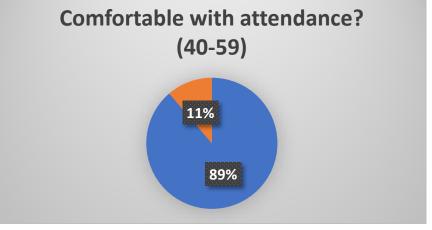


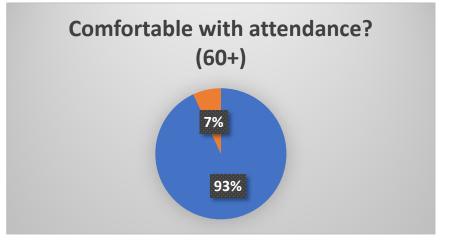


Almost all parishioners are comfortable with their child attending Youth Group events

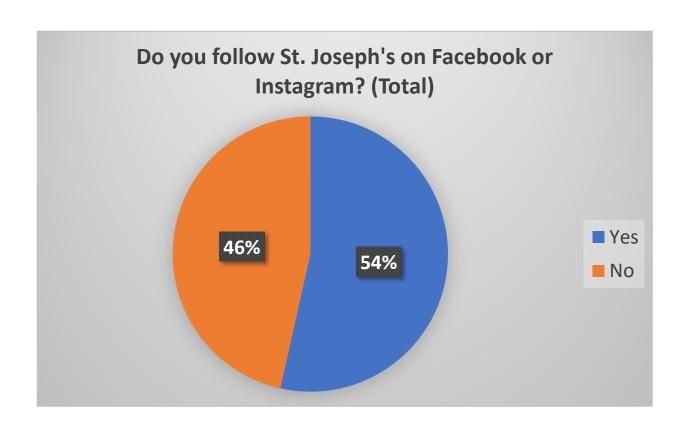


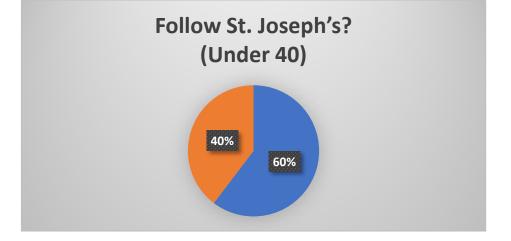


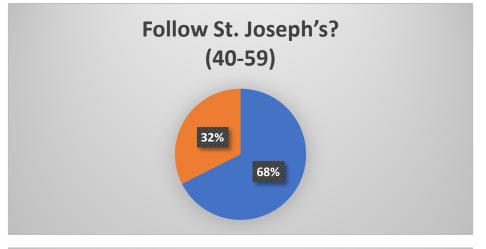


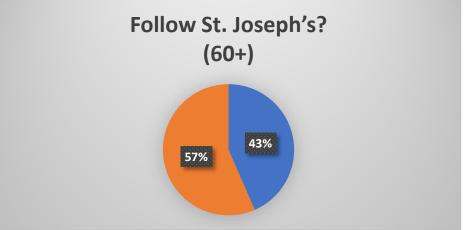


Most parishioners follow SJCC on social media, especially those under 60

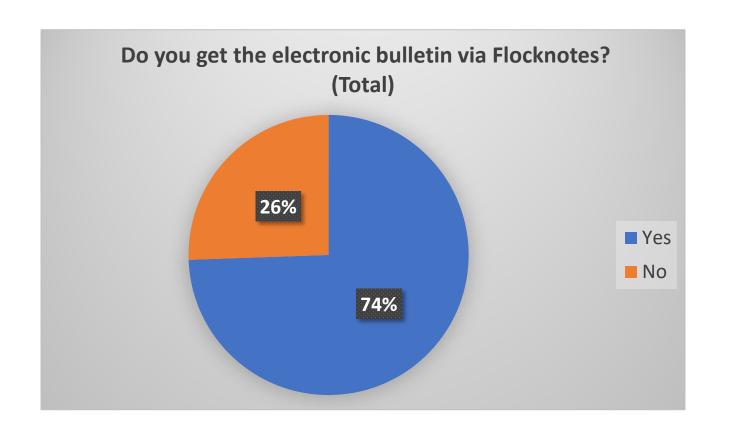


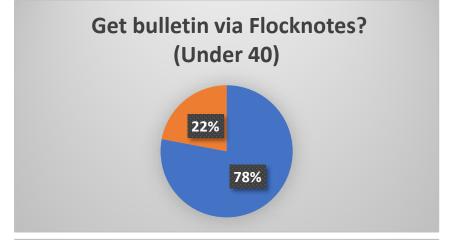


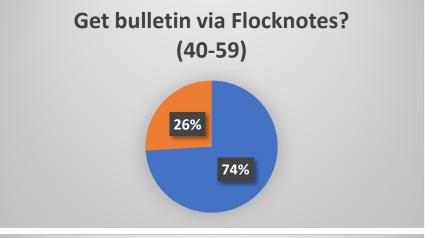


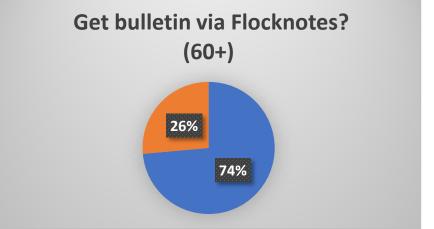


Most parishioners of all ages receive the electronic bulletin









Why do people attend mass?

Why Attend? (overall order across ages)	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70+
Liturgy	5	1	1	1	1	1
Homilies	6	2	2	2	2	2
Close to home / Convenient	1	3	4	3	3	4
Fits style / aesthetic preferences	4	9	3	5	5	3
Community	7	4	5	6	6	6
Family connections	2	10	9	4	4	5
Parish activities / events	8	5	6	7	7	7
Opportunities for outreach	-	6	-	-	8	8
Positive reviews	3	8	8	8	9	9
Familiarity with other church members	-	7	7	9	10	11
Small groups / adult studies	-	-	-	-	11	10

How would parishioners describe our culture?

Traditional

The community values and adheres to Catholic doctrines and traditions.

Welcoming

• The community is open and inclusive, aiming to create a welcoming environment for all.

Spiritual

• There is a focus on spirituality and the practice of faith.

Caring

• The community is described as caring, friendly, and supportive.

Reverent

• There is an emphasis on reverence and respect in worship and religious practices.

Family-oriented

The community values and supports families and fosters a sense of belonging.

Conservative

The community tends to be more conservative in its beliefs and practices.

Active

• The community is engaged and involved in various activities, ministries, and outreach efforts.