

2010 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Survey

The St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Pastoral Council conducted a parish survey earlier this year between February 14 and April 30. We received 361 responses during that period of time. Below is a summary of who took the survey and how they responded to some of the questions:

- 64% of respondents were female, and 36% were male
- 55.7% of respondents have been St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parishioners for more than 10 years
- 71.7% of respondents were between the ages of 40 and 69
- 83.7% of respondents are married
- 89.2% of respondents attend Mass at least weekly
- 49.9% of respondents have children living with them
- 84.4% of respondents are willing to contribute their time and talents to the parish
- 97.5% of respondents are willing to contribute financially to the parish
- 81.2% of respondents feel we are fulfilling our mission as a parish
- 54.4% of respondents **participate in one or more committees or groups within the parish**
- 92.9% of respondents are aware that there is a Pastoral Council
- 52.1% of respondents are aware of the role the Pastoral Council plays in the leadership of the parish
- 58.8% of respondents feel there is a strong sense of community among parishioners
- 85.6% of respondents feel welcome and accepted as a member of the parish community
- 75.4% of respondents would feel comfortable contacting the parish in times of personal need
- 70% of respondents think there is effective communication about parish ministries, committees, activities and events
- 43.5% of respondents know someone who has left the parish for reasons other than moving out of the area
- 73.5% of respondents rated the parish at between 7 and 10 (on a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 meaning that they strongly disagree, and 10 meaning they strongly agree) when asked if their overall experience at our parish has been very positive

The members of the Pastoral Council would like to thank all parishioners who took the time to complete the survey. Results of the survey are providing insights into how parishioners feel about the parish, the areas of parish life that are strong, and the areas that need attention. We will be sharing more details about the survey results over the next several months.