

Auburn – N. Cayuga Ministry Assessment Survey Summary of Results

Fall 2017

The full reports of results from the Auburn-N. Cayuga Ministry Assessment survey are available online at <http://auburnweedsportcatholicchurches.org/>

Total Responses: 452
Complete Responses: 410

WORD

Q13: Please select the 2 or 3 areas of ministry that are most important to you.

Answered: 393 Skipped: 59

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES		
Programs or activities are available to promote spiritual growth (Retreats, Missions, Bible Studies, Small Christian Communities)	39.95%	157	2
Faith Formation opportunities are available for all age levels and cultures represented in the community	35.11%	138	3
Faith Formation reaches out to and is accommodating of those with physical and mental challenges	7.63%	30	
Ministries are constantly adapting in ways that are inviting to children, youth and young adults	44.53%	175	1
All events exhibit a spirit of welcome and invitation for those interested in becoming Catholic	20.10%	79	
Outreach is provided to non-practicing Catholics and the unchurched	20.87%	82	
New members of the parish are identified and welcomed	28.50%	112	
Newcomers are able to find what they are looking for (office, bathrooms, information, etc.)	5.60%	22	
The parish encourages vocations to the ordained & lay ecclesial ministries and consecrated life	11.70%	46	
Opportunities exist that support vocations to the Sacrament of Matrimony	7.63%	30	
St. Joseph School is a vital ministry of the Auburn-N. Cayuga parishes	27.99%	110	
Tyburn Academy is an asset of our community	24.43%	96	
Total Respondents: 393			

WORD

Q14: Please select the 2 or 3 areas of ministry that you would like to see improved

Answered: 340 Skipped: 112

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Programs or activities are available to promote spiritual growth (Retreats, Missions, Bible Studies, Small Christian Communities)	27.06%	92
Faith Formation opportunities are available for all age levels and cultures represented in the community	23.82%	81
Faith Formation reaches out to and is accommodating of those with physical and mental challenges	9.71%	33
Ministries are constantly adapting in ways that are inviting to children, youth and young adults	46.76%	159
All events exhibit a spirit of welcome and invitation for those interested in becoming Catholic	19.41%	66
Outreach is provided to non-practicing Catholics and the unchurched	35.00%	119
New members of the parish are identified and welcomed	30.00%	102
Newcomers are able to find what they are looking for (office, bathrooms, information, etc.)	5.88%	20
The parish encourages vocations to the ordained & lay ecclesial ministries and consecrated life	15.88%	54
Opportunities exist that support vocations to the Sacrament of Matrimony	7.94%	27
St. Joseph School is a vital ministry of the Auburn-N. Cayuga parishes	15.59%	53
Tyburn Academy is an asset of our community	11.47%	39
Total Respondents: 340		

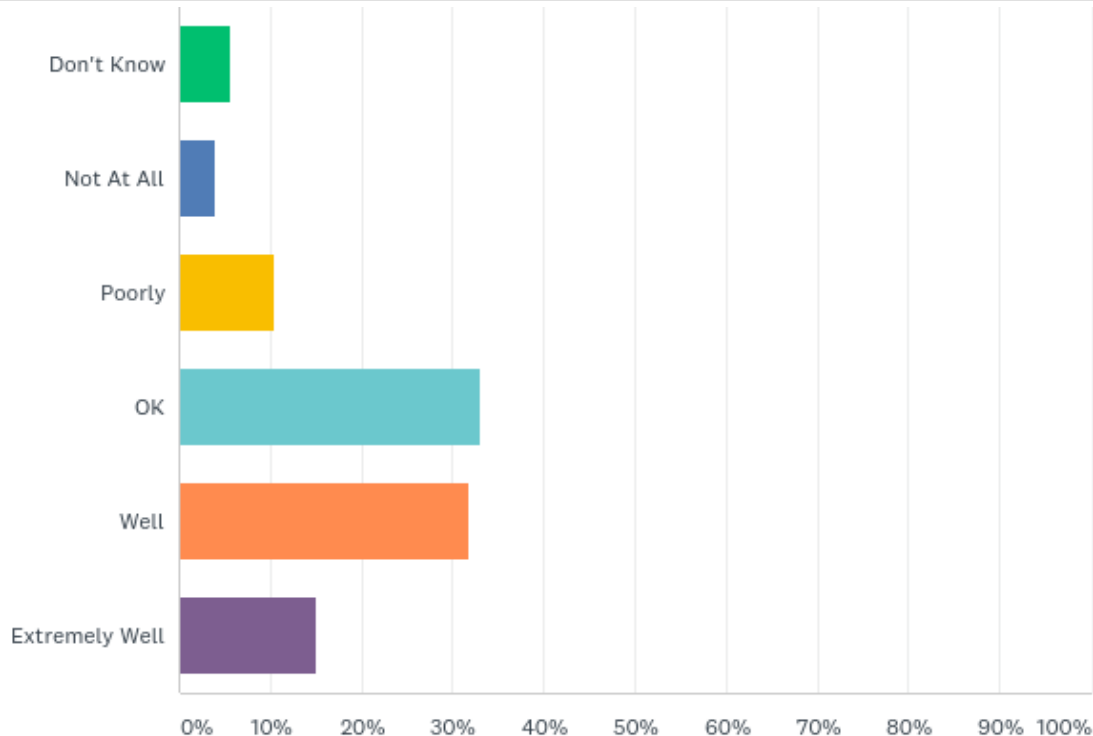
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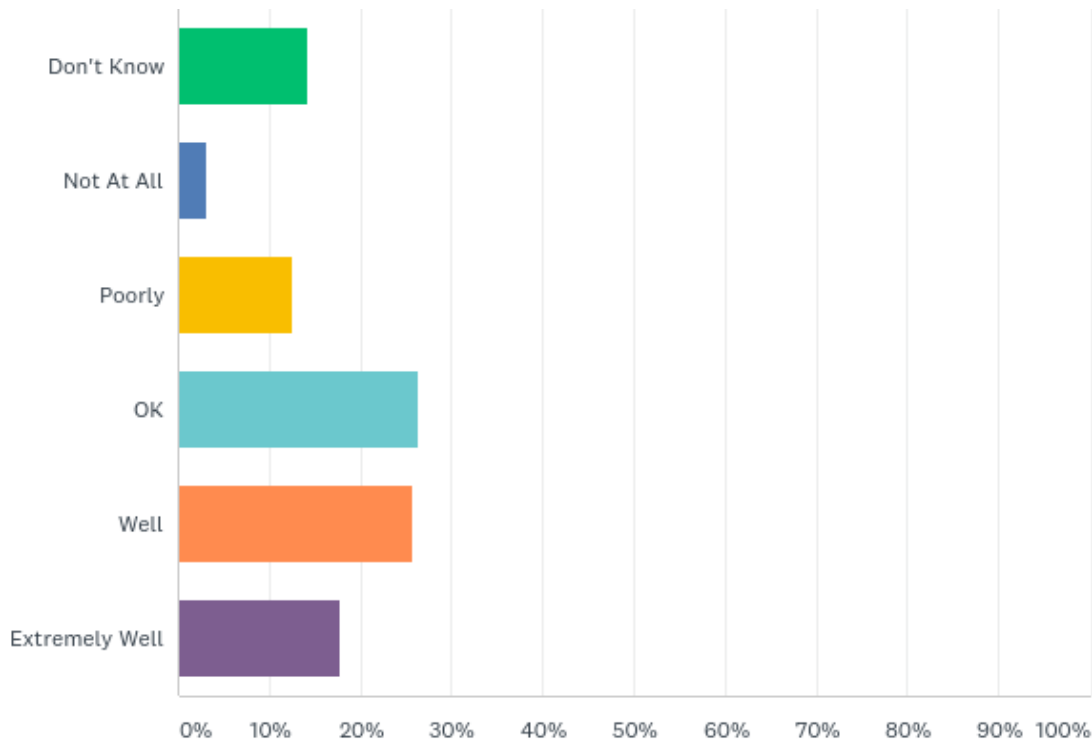
Q1: Programs or activities are available to promote spiritual growth (Retreats, Missions, Bible Studies, Small Christian Communities)

Answered: 443 Skipped: 9



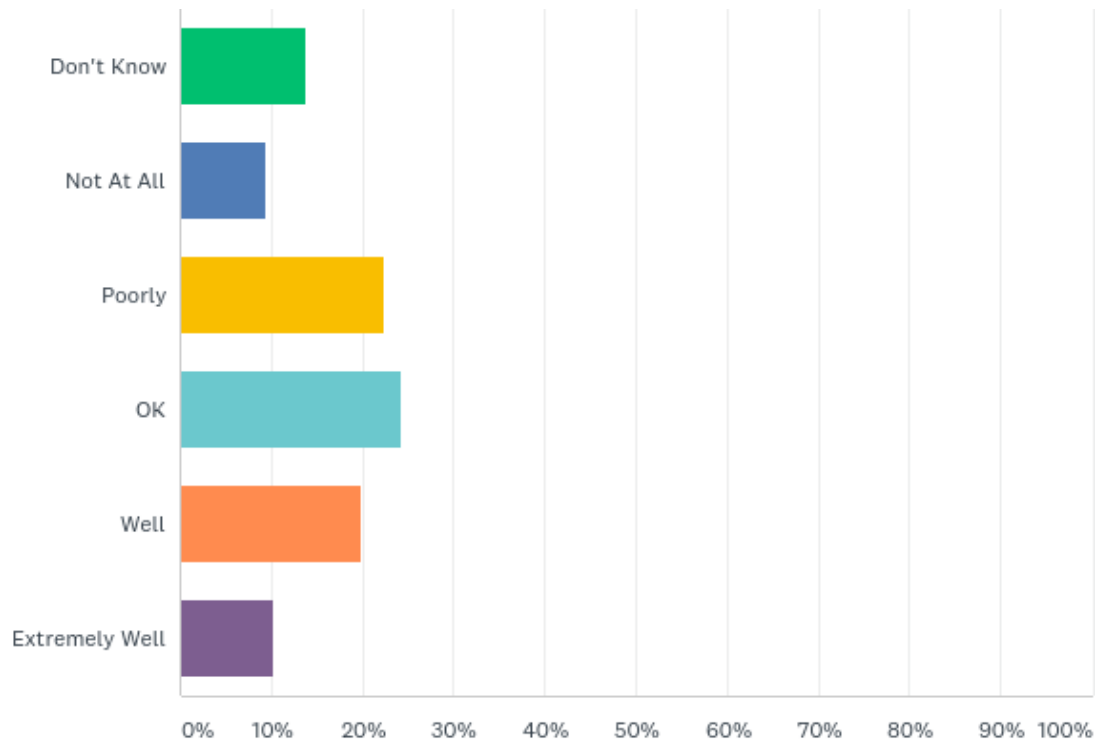
Q2: Faith Formation opportunities are available for all age levels and cultures represented in the community

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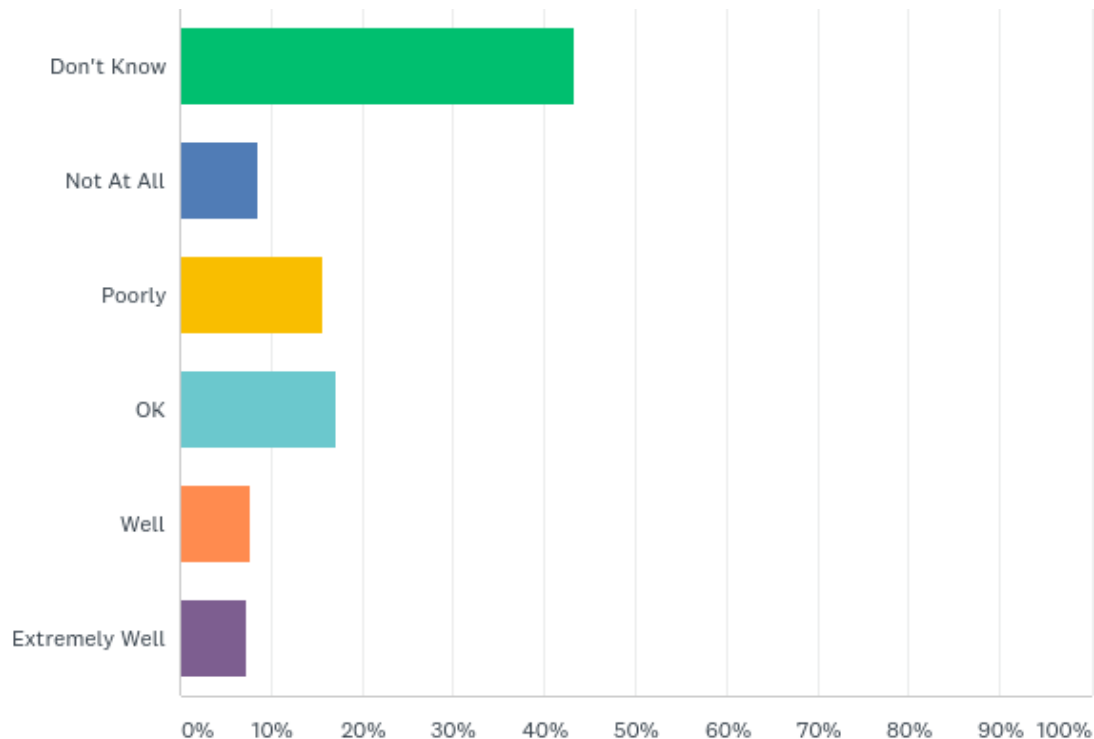
Q4: Ministries are constantly adapting in ways that are inviting to children, youth and young adults

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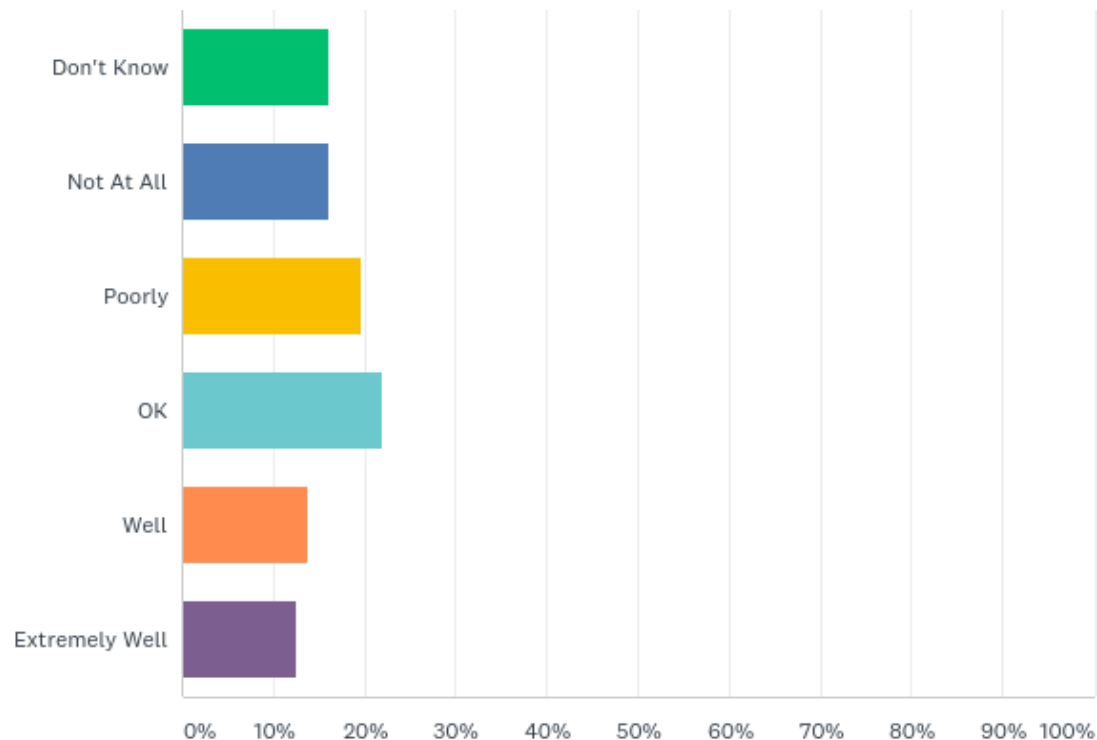
Q6: Outreach is provided to non-practicing Catholics and the unchurched

Answered: 431 Skipped: 21



Q7: New members of the parish are identified and welcomed

Answered: 437 Skipped: 15



WORSHIP

Q27: Please select the 2 or 3 areas of ministry that are most important to you.

Answered: 377 Skipped: 75

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Masses are prayerful, reverent and spiritually moving	60.74%	229
Masses strengthen my faith and prepare me to go out and live it	57.56%	217
The interior environment of the church creates a good atmosphere for worship	15.38%	58
The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is regularly scheduled at a variety of times and is clearly published in several places	10.61%	40
There are communal opportunities for the Anointing of the Sick	8.22%	31
Homilies are scripture based, inspirational and effectively delivered	46.42%	175
The music ministry enhances the experience of worship with music that encourages full and active participation	29.97%	113
The parish reaches out to those of appropriate ages and invites them into Sacramental Preparation	16.18%	61
The parish creates an evangelizing baptism experience with hospitality from time of preparation through celebration of the sacrament	3.18%	12
Parishioners are supportive of the RCIA process and are invited to assist catechumens and candidates on their journey of faith	7.16%	27
Weddings are conducted with joy, optimism, personalization and a spirit of evangelization	4.51%	17
Funerals are conducted with reverence, sensitivity, comfort, personalization and a spirit of evangelization	13.00%	49
Total Respondents: 377		

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WORSHIP

Q28: Please select the 2 or 3 areas of ministry that you would like to see improved

Answered: 291 Skipped: 161

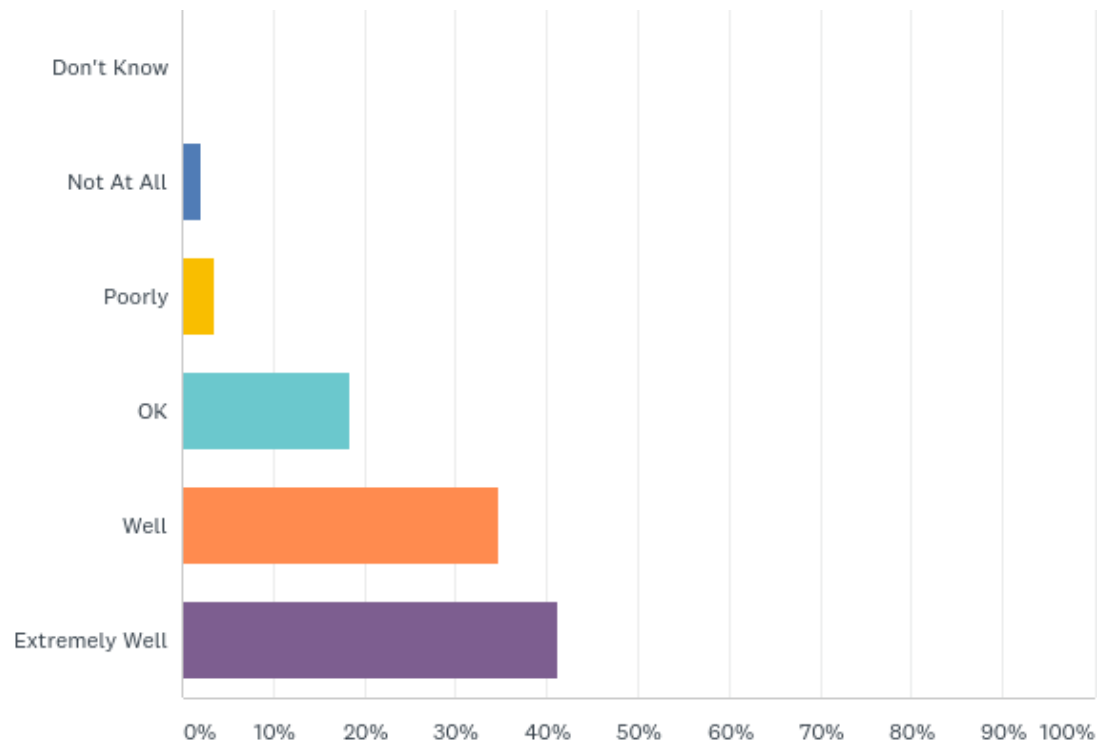
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Masses are prayerful, reverent and spiritually moving	16.49%	48
Masses strengthen my faith and prepare me to go out and live it	22.34%	65
The interior environment of the church creates a good atmosphere for worship	8.59%	25
The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is regularly scheduled at a variety of times and is clearly published in several places	17.18%	50
There are communal opportunities for the Anointing of the Sick	18.90%	55
Homilies are scripture based, inspirational and effectively delivered	23.02%	67
The music ministry enhances the experience of worship with music that encourages full and active participation	39.86%	116
The parish reaches out to those of appropriate ages and invites them into Sacramental Preparation	31.96%	93
The parish creates an evangelizing baptism experience with hospitality from time of preparation through celebration of the sacrament	9.62%	28
Parishioners are supportive of the RCIA process and are invited to assist catechumens and candidates on their journey of faith	16.15%	47
Weddings are conducted with joy, optimism, personalization and a spirit of evangelization	3.09%	9
Funerals are conducted with reverence, sensitivity, comfort, personalization and a spirit of evangelization	4.47%	13
Total Respondents: 291		

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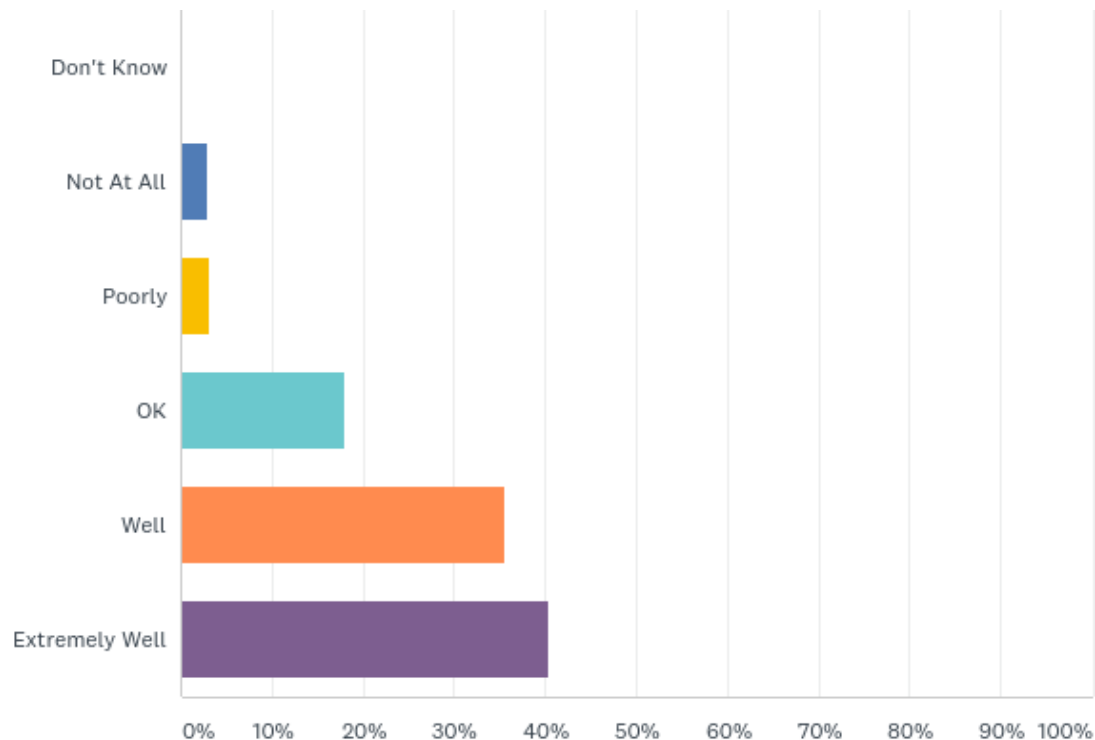
Q15: Masses are prayerful, reverent and spiritually moving

Answered: 430 Skipped: 22



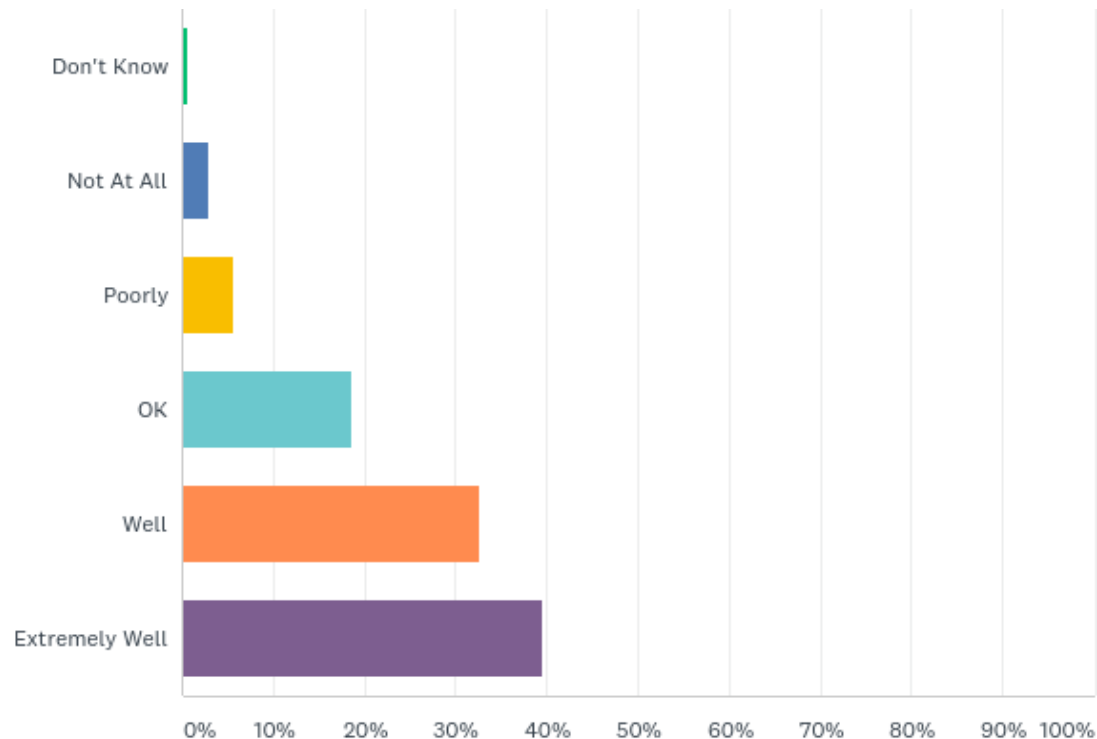
Q16: Masses strengthen my faith and prepare me to go out and live it

Answered: 424 Skipped: 28



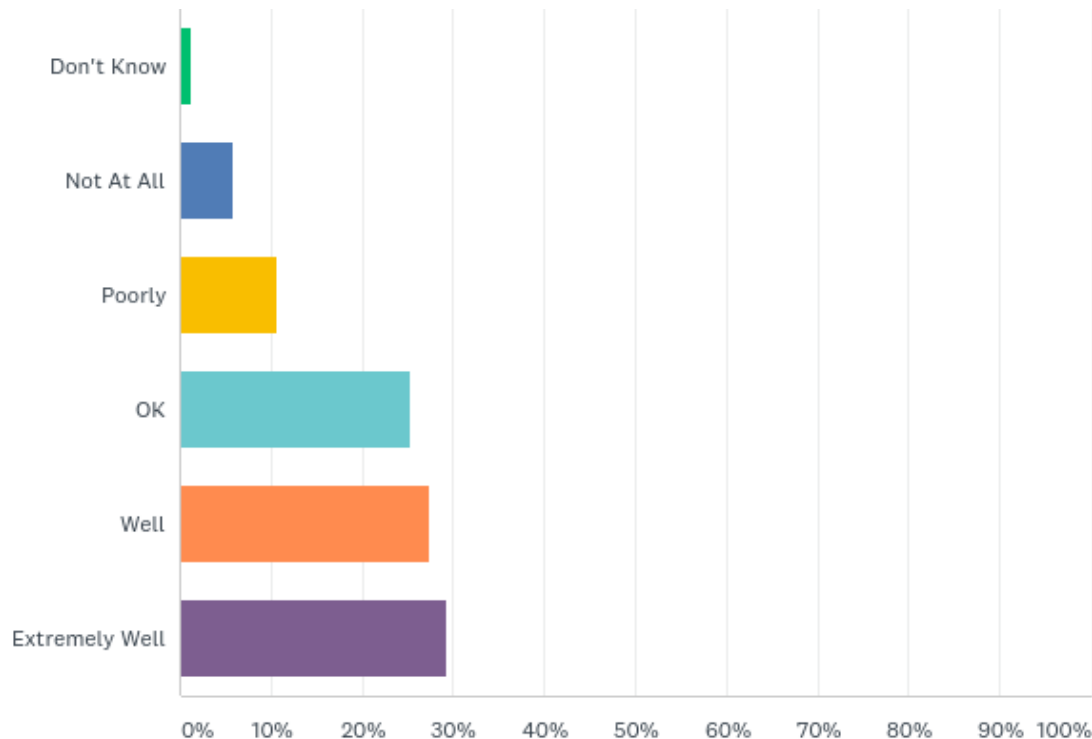
Q20: Homilies are scripture based, inspirational and effectively delivered

Answered: 424 Skipped: 28



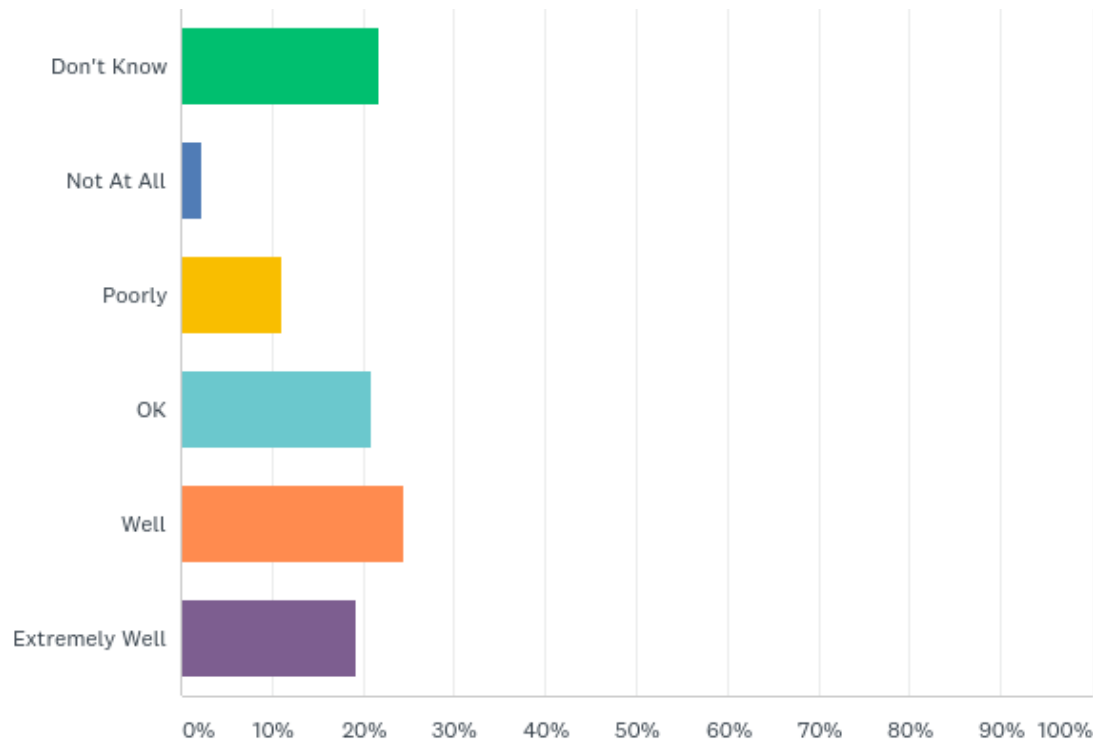
Q21: The music ministry enhances the experience of worship with music that encourages full and active participation

Answered: 429 Skipped: 23



Q22: The parish reaches out to those of appropriate ages and invites them into Sacramental Preparation

Answered: 421 Skipped: 31



SERVICE

Q38: Please select the 2 or 3 areas of ministry that are most important to you.

Answered: 372 Skipped: 80

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES		
The mission of the parish is evident in all we do	30.65%	114	
The parish is active in the community	51.88%	193	1
Outreach/programs are offered for people with specific needs, (divorced, separated, single parents, seniors, etc.)	34.14%	127	3
The parish promotes respect for human life	29.84%	111	
Parishioners are encouraged to work for social justice	13.71%	51	
The parish offers outreach to the poor, afflicted, lonely and refugees	34.95%	130	2
The parish cooperates with Catholic Charities and others in the community to meet local needs (food pantry, blood drives, etc.)	24.73%	92	
The parish fosters outreach and care through common activity with neighboring parishes	16.94%	63	
A relationship is nurtured with local leaders of other major world religions (Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism)	8.60%	32	
Total Respondents: 372			

SERVICE

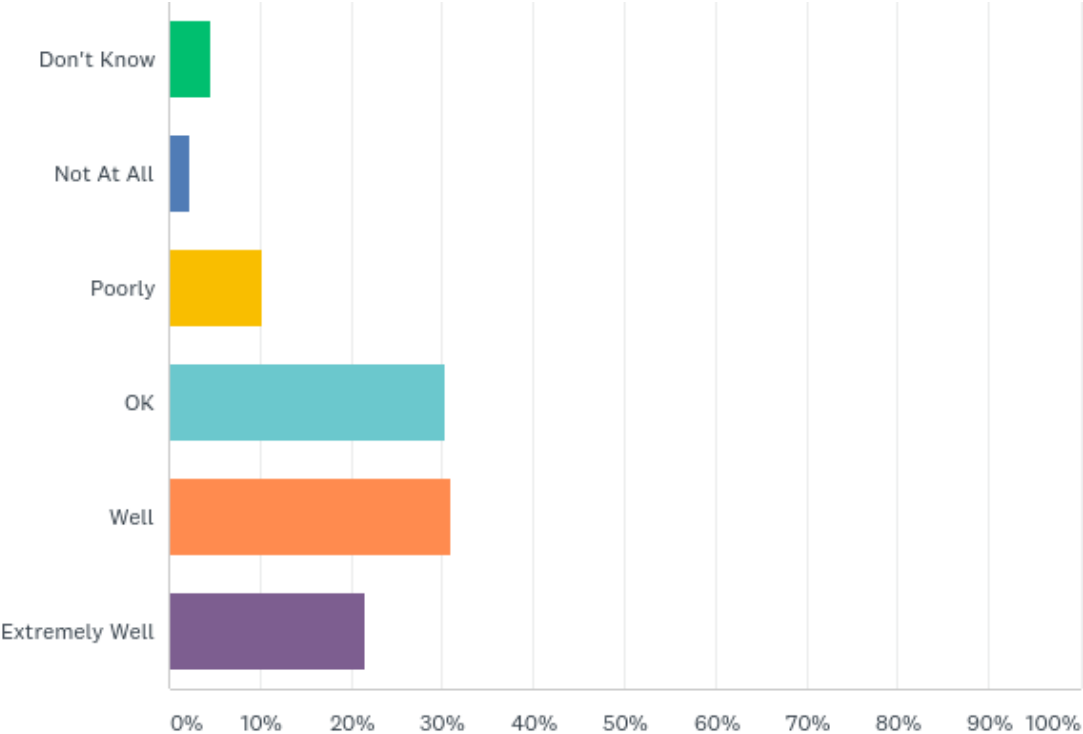
Q39: Please select the 2 or 3 areas of ministry that you would like to see improved

Answered: 302 Skipped: 150

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES		
The mission of the parish is evident in all we do	22.52%	68	
The parish is active in the community	35.76%	108	2
Outreach/programs are offered for people with specific needs, (divorced, separated, single parents, seniors, etc.)	40.07%	121	1
The parish promotes respect for human life	14.90%	45	
Parishioners are encouraged to work for social justice	15.23%	46	
The parish offers outreach to the poor, afflicted, lonely and refugees	32.78%	99	3
The parish cooperates with Catholic Charities and others in the community to meet local needs (food pantry, blood drives, etc.)	11.59%	35	
The parish fosters outreach and care through common activity with neighboring parishes	29.80%	90	
A relationship is nurtured with local leaders of other major world religions (Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism)	19.54%	59	
Total Respondents: 302			

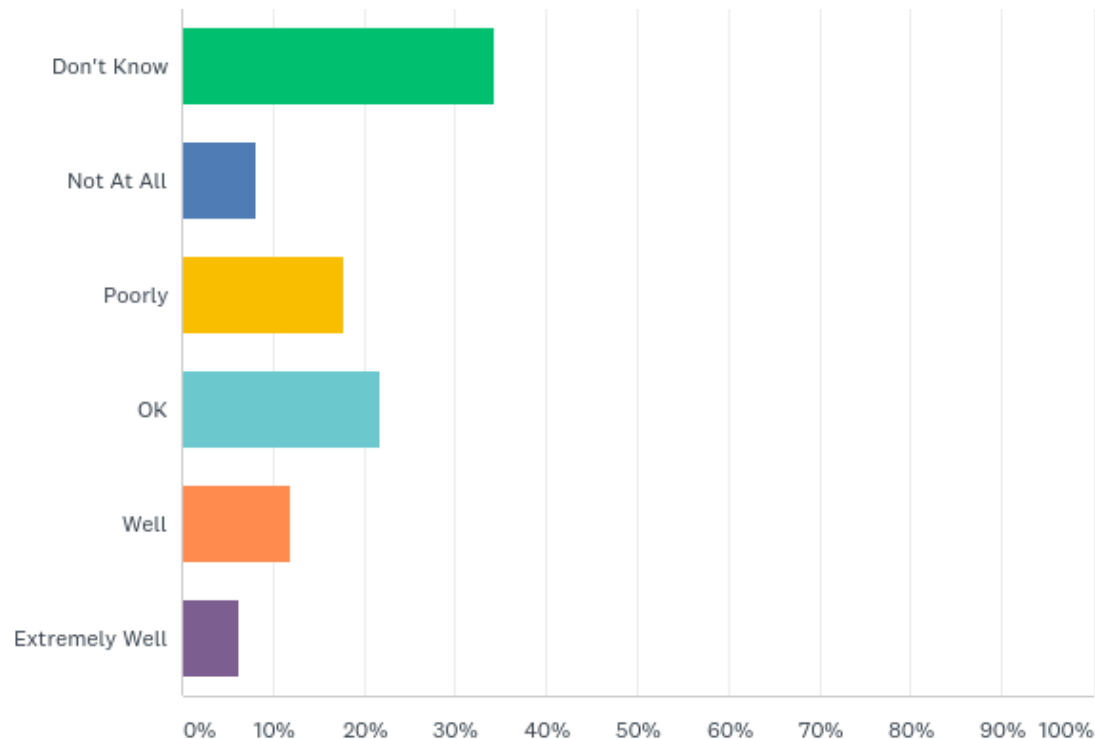
Q30: The parish is active in the community

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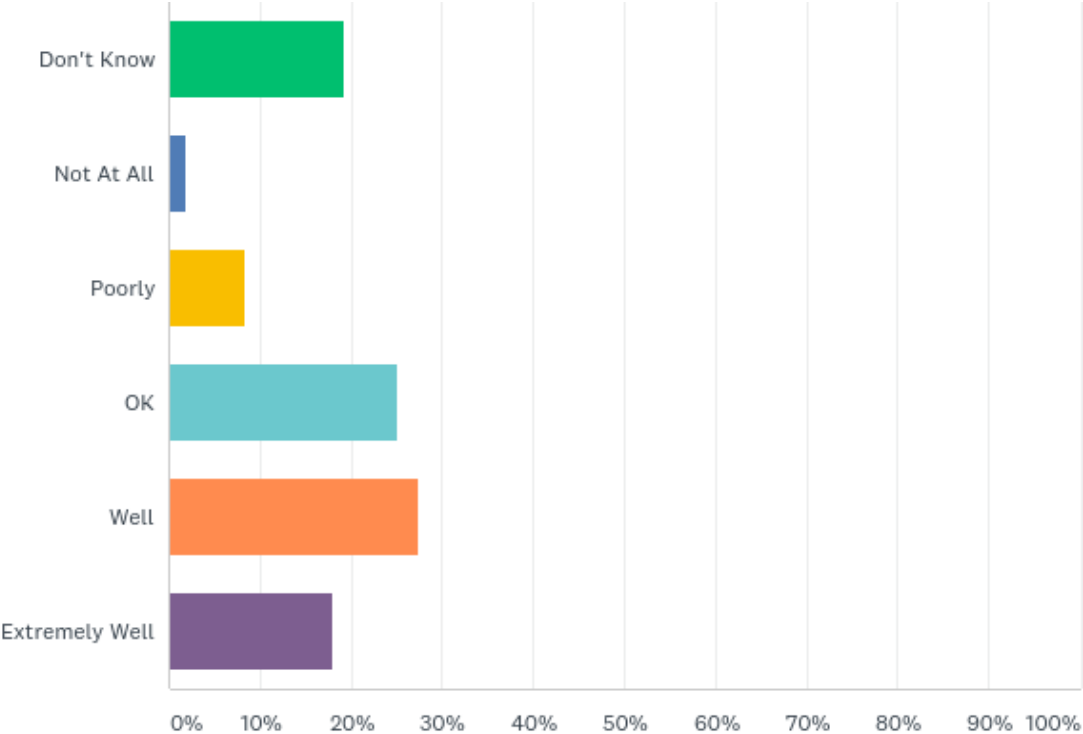
Q31: Outreach/programs are offered for people with specific needs, (divorced, separated, single parents, seniors, etc.)

Answered: 418 Skipped: 34



Q34: The parish offers outreach to the poor, afflicted, lonely and refugees

Answered: 417 Skipped: 35



COMMUNITY

Q49: Please select the 2 or 3 areas of ministry that are most important to you.

Answered: 365 Skipped: 87

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES		
A spirit of warmth and hospitality is exhibited in the parish	64.66%	236	1
The parish exhibits sensitivity to religious diversity in families	10.14%	37	
An environment that values ethnic and cultural diversity is fostered in the parish	13.70%	50	
Efforts are made to discover parishioners' talents and invite their use in daily lives and parish ministries	35.34%	129	2
Attention is paid to the spiritual and sacramental needs of the sick and homebound	31.23%	114	
Support is offered for families who have experienced death and other forms of loss	23.29%	85	
The parish makes good use of communication tools (print, digital, etc.) to keep parishioners and others informed	18.63%	68	
An increasing number of members support the parish through stewardship	24.93%	91	
Effective Leadership is provided by our Clergy, Staff and Lay Leaders	34.79%	127	3
Total Respondents: 365			

COMMUNITY

Q50: Please select the 2 or 3 areas of ministry that you would like to see improved

Answered: 292 Skipped: 160

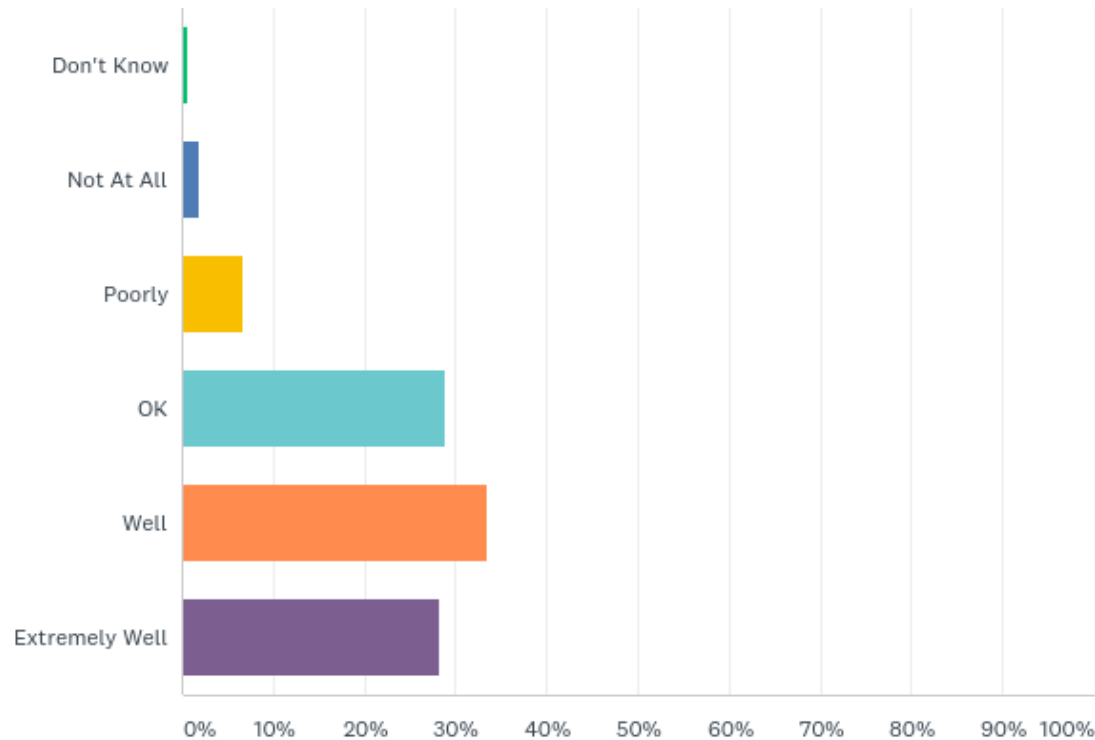
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
A spirit of warmth and hospitality is exhibited in the parish	26.03%	76
The parish exhibits sensitivity to religious diversity in families	13.36%	39
An environment that values ethnic and cultural diversity is fostered in the parish	15.07%	44
Efforts are made to discover parishioners' talents and invite their use in daily lives and parish ministries	38.01%	111
Attention is paid to the spiritual and sacramental needs of the sick and homebound	19.18%	56
Support is offered for families who have experienced death and other forms of loss	21.58%	63
The parish makes good use of communication tools (print, digital, etc.) to keep parishioners and others informed	21.23%	62
An increasing number of members support the parish through stewardship	43.49%	127
Effective Leadership is provided by our Clergy, Staff and Lay Leaders	21.23%	62
Total Respondents: 292		

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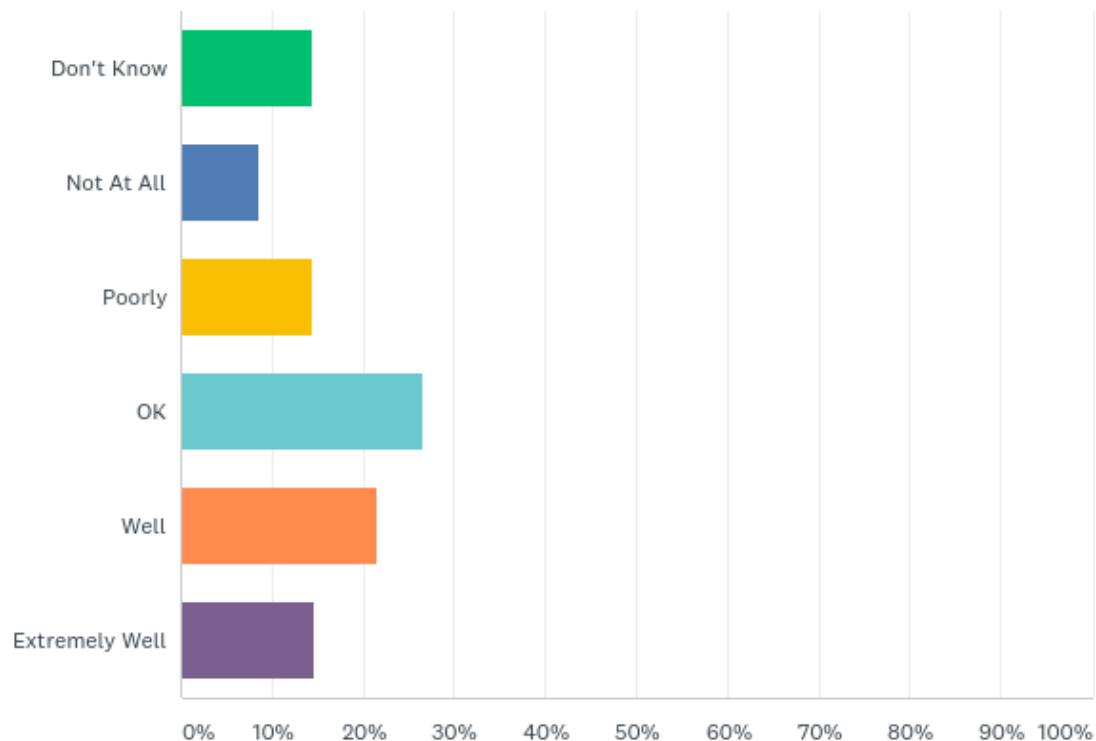
Q40: A spirit of warmth and hospitality is exhibited in the parish

Answered: 415 Skipped: 37



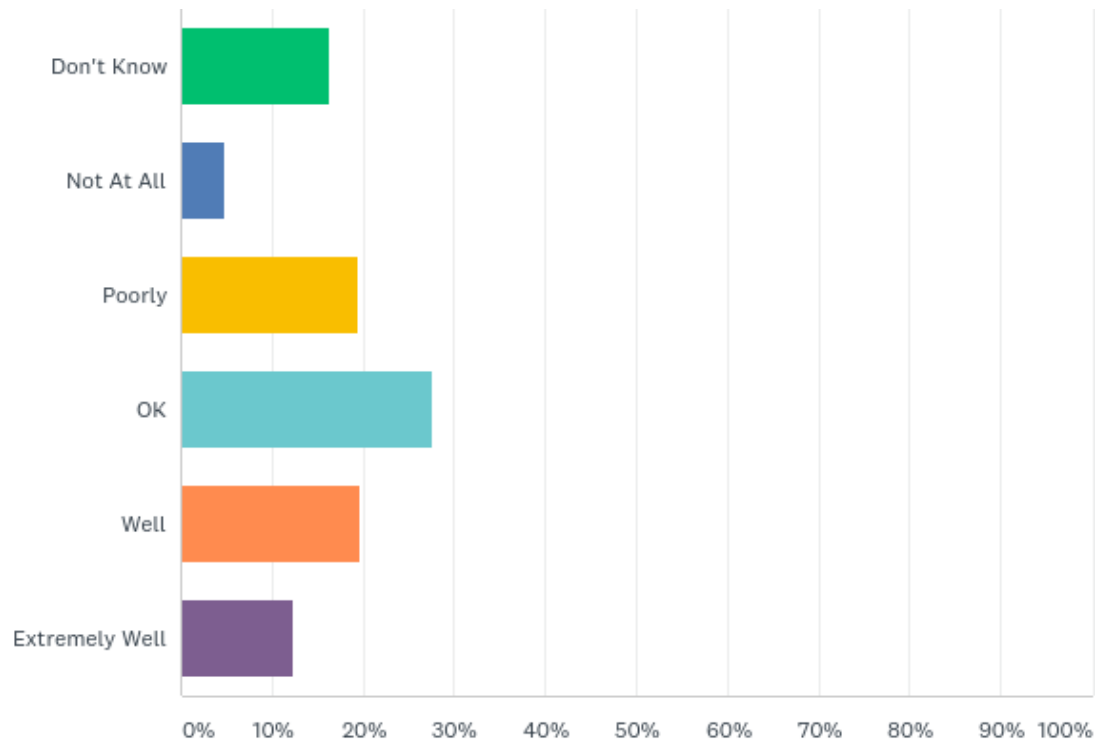
Q43: Efforts are made to discover parishioners' talents and invite their use in daily lives and parish ministries

Answered: 404 Skipped: 48



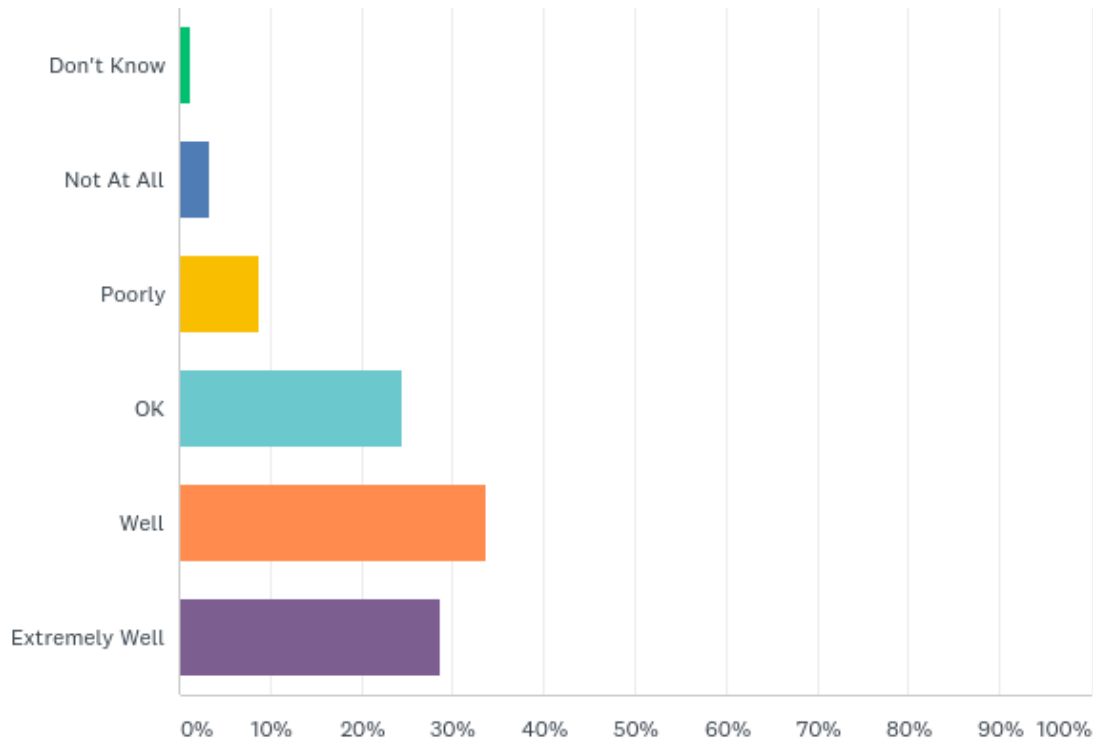
Q47: An increasing number of members support the parish through stewardship (sharing their time, talent and treasure)

Answered: 413 Skipped: 39



Q48: Effective Leadership is provided by our Clergy, Staff and Lay Leaders

Answered: 413 Skipped: 39



Demographics of Survey Respondents

Demographics for Auburn – N. Cayuga

<u>To Which Parish do you Belong</u>	Holy Family (23%), OLOS – St. Joseph (6%), OLOS – St. John (4%), OLOS – St. Patrick (5%), Sacred Heart (13%), St. Ann (3%), St. Alphonsus (9%), SMM – St. Francis (6%), SMM – St. Hyacinth (8%), St. Mary (21%)
<u>Relationship to the Parish</u>	Regular attendee but not registered (6%), Registered parishioner (90%), Other (4%)
<u>How Active with the Parish</u>	No involvement beyond attending Mass (13%), Attend some parish events beyond Mass, but do not usually volunteer (33%) Member of staff, Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Committee, Liturgical Ministry, Catechist or Regular Volunteer (54%)
<u>How Attached to the Parish</u>	Not at All (4%), Somewhat attached (24%), Very attached (72%)
<u>How Often Attend Mass</u>	Only for Special Occasions (1%), Once a month (1%), 2-3 times a month (6%), Once a week (67%), More than once a week (25%)
<u>Race/Ethnicity</u>	African American (1%), Anglo/White/European (98%), Asian (0.5%) Hispanic / Latino (0.5%)
<u>Gender</u>	Female (70%), Male (30%)
<u>Marital Status</u>	Never married (14%), Married (65%), Separated (1%), Divorced (6%), Widowed (14%)
<u>Age</u>	13-25 years (2%), 26-39 years (4%), 40-55 years (18%), 56-69 years (41%), 70 years and older (34%)