

# Catholic Leadership INSTITUTE

### Disciple Maker Index Survey

Diocese: Diocese of Cleveland

Parish: Holy Family Parish (Parma)

Pastor: Richard Evans

### Dear Parishioner,

Thank you for participating in the Disciple Maker Index survey. This survey will provide you the opportunity to reflect on your own spiritual growth and provide feedback on the efforts of the parish to help you grow.

The survey should take you between 10-15 minutes to complete. Please do not skip questions unless instructed to do so. Please note that your responses are kept confidential. Your parish and Catholic Leadership Institute will not have access to individual survey responses.

We thank you again for your participation in this important initiative!

# Catholic Journey How do you identify yourself? I am Catholic I was Catholic once, but no longer consider myself Catholic I am not Catholic If you answered "I am Catholic" for "How do you identify yourself?" please answer the following question. Otherwise, skip it. Which of the following best describes your path to Catholicism? I was baptized Catholic as a child I converted to the Catholic faith

If you answered "I am Catholic" for "How do you identify yourself?" please answer the following question.

Otherwise, skip it.

Which of the following best describes where you are on your Catholic journey?

	I consider myself Catholic, though faith is not a significant part of my life
	I practice my Catholic faith, but do not know Jesus personally like a friend
	I have personally encountered Jesus Christ and am growing as a disciple
	My relationship with Jesus Christ is the most important relationship in my life
Which	h of the following best describes the pace of your spiritual growth?
	In a period of spiritual decline
	Stalled in my spiritual growth
	Content staying right where I am spiritually
	Growing in my faith, but would like to grow more than I am

Growing at a steady, continued pace

In a period of rapid spiritual growth

### Parish Connections

Below are several ways your parish can help you connect with others in the local Catholic community. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:

My parish helps me connect with a local Catholic community by...

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Making me feel welcomed and accepted					
Providing me with opportunities to serve those in need					
Following up with me when I express interest in becoming more involved					
Providing a community to support me and/or my family in times of need					
Involving me in decisions that affect the future of the parish					
Providing transparent information to me about the finances of the parish					
Making information about the parish easy for me to find (via bulletin, web, email)					
My parish communicates effectively through online platforms, text and social media					

### Parish Community

Below are several ways your parish community can help you grow spiritually. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:

My parish helps me grow spiritually by...

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Helping me develop a personal prayer life that connects me with God					
Offering vibrant and engaging Sunday Masses					
Offering music that deepens my desire to participate more fully in the Sunday liturgy					
Connecting me with a small faith- sharing group					
Preaching and homilies that connect my faith with my everyday life					
Providing retreats, workshops, and other resources to help me figure out my life's purpose					
Teaching me to read and pray with the Bible					
Preparing me/my family for the sacraments (Confirmation, Marriage, Baptism)					
Forming me as a disciple of Jesus Christ					

### Relationship with Parish, Pastor, and Faith

The following questions ask about your likelihood to recommend your pastor, parish, and the Catholic faith. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I would recommend my pastor to a friend					
I would recommend my parish to a friend					
I would recommend the staff of my parish to a friend					
I would recommend other priests serving my parish to a friend					
My parish helps me grow spiritually as a Catholic					

### Personal Religious Beliefs

Below are several statements regarding your personal beliefs. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

I personally believe...

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	I do not know
Jesus died and rose from the dead for my salvation						
The Eucharist really is the body and blood of Jesus Christ						
Scripture is the word of God						
In the teaching authority of the Church						
The Church is critical to my relationship with God						
In Jesus' moral teachings for my life as taught by the Church						

### Conversations about Faith

Below are several statements regarding conversations about your faith with family and friends. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

My parish equips me to have conversations about my faith with family and friends by...

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Providing high-quality events and other opportunities to which I can invite people					
Growing my confidence in the Church's teachings so I can answer other's questions					
Exhibiting care to members of our community (not necessarily Catholics)					
Teaching me how to share the story of Jesus					
Teaching me how to share my personal witness story					
Helping me recognize how God is working in my life					

### Participation at the Church

Below are several activities that you may have taken part in over the past year. Please indicate the frequency that best describes how often you have done any of these activities.

How often did you do each of the following over the past year?

	Never	Once or Twice a Year	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily
Invited someone to join me for an activity at the parish						
Invited someone to join me for Mass						
Invited a man to consider a vocation to the priesthood						
Invited someone to consider a vocation to religious life						
Answered another person's question about a teaching of the Catholic Church						
Volunteered to serve a member of our community (not necessarily a Catholic)						
Shared the story of Jesus with another person						
Shared my personal witness story with another person						
Prayed with another person outside of Mass						

How often did you participate in or attend each of the following over the past year?

Individual prayer time with God			
Bible study or Prayer group (in person or online)			
Mass			
The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)			
Pastoral Counseling or Spiritual Direction			
A class or workshop about the Catholic faith (in person or online)			
A parish social event			
A retreat			
Eucharistic adoration – time in orayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament			
Catholic Devotions (e.g. pray the rosary, novenas, special feast days)			

	<1					
	1-2					
	3 - 5					
	6 - 10					
	11 - 20					
	20+					
You	r Child's Religious	Education	1			
	are questions regarding you u have school age children?	ır child's religio	ous education.			
	No					
	Yes					
	If you answered "Yes" for "I	Ot	therwise, skip i	it.		
Please journe	indicate how strongly you a ey.	igree or disagre	e with the follo	owing statements r	egarding yo	ur child's faith
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
parish	adequate support from my to help my child(ren) grow sciple of Jesus Christ					
respoi	f my most important nsibilities as a parent is g my child(ren) to know					

How many years have you been a member at this parish?

## If you answered "Yes" for "Do you have school age children?" please answer the following question. Otherwise, skip it.

Whic	ch best describes how you cho	oose to educate	your children?			
	I send all my children to Cath	olic school				
	I send all my children to Publ	ic school				
	I homeschool my children					
	I choose separately for each o	child				
If	fyou answered "I send all my educate your child			for "Which best deving question. Oth		
Please	e indicate the extent to which	ı you agree or d	lisagree with th	ne following statem	nent.	
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
	ld recommend the parish plic school to a friend.					
	If you answered "Yes" for "I		hool age childr therwise, skip		the followin	ng question.
Do yo	ou currently send your childr	en to religious	education at th	is parish?		
	No					
	Yes					
If y	ou answered "Yes" for "Do y ans			en to religious edu Otherwise, skip it.	cation at thi	s parish?" please
Please	e indicate the extent to which	ı you agree or d	lisagree with th	ne following statem	ient.	
		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
	ld recommend my parish's ous education to a friend					

### Demographic Information

Please tell us a little bit about yourself.

Your responses to these questions will be used only for statistical purposes to gain an accurate picture of the composition of the parishes involved in this study. Your responses are completely confidential and will be analyzed anonymously. Your responses will never be identified as yours and will be aggregated with other survey responses. Please answer as many questions as you can.

What	What is your sex?					
	Male					
	Female					
Which	of the following best describes you?					
	Black or African-American					
	Asian-American					
	Caucasian					
	Hispanic/Latino					
	Middle-Eastern or North African					
	Native American					
	Other					
Please	indicate your age bracket.					
	Under 18					
	18 - 25					
	26 - 35					
	36 - 45					
	46 - 55					
	56 - 65					
	66 - 75					
	Over 75					

Please	indicate your household status.
	Single
	Married
	Divorced
	Widowed
Fina	ncial Information
Your ridentifican. For sta	are questions regarding you/your family's personal finances and charitable giving. esponses are completely confidential and will be analyzed anonymously. Your responses will never be ited as yours and will be aggregated with other survey responses. Please answer as many questions as you stistical purposes only, please select the category corresponding to your household's approximate total pre-tax income.
	0 - \$24,999
	\$25,000 - \$49,999
	\$50,000 - \$99,999
	\$100,000 - \$149,999
	\$150,000 - \$199,999
	\$200,000 - \$249,999
	Greater than \$250,000
	I prefer not to respond

annual contributions to your parish.	
	\$0 - \$99
	\$100 - \$499
	\$500 - \$999
	\$1,000 - \$2,499
	\$2,500 - \$4,999
	\$5,000 - \$9,999
	\$10,000 - \$24,999
	Greater than \$25,000
	I prefer not to respond
Which best describes your approach to providing financial support for your parish?	
	I do not support the parish financially at this time
	I usually give when the collection basket comes around or in response to specific appeals
	I determine a total dollar amount to give to my parish each year
	I give a percentage of my income to my parish
If you answered "I give a percentage of my income to my parish" for "Which best describes your approach to providing financial support for your parish?" please answer the following question. Otherwise, skip it.	
What percentage of income do you contribute to your parish? (If any)	
	None
	< 10%
	10%
	> 10%

For statistical purposes only, please select the category corresponding to your household's approximate total