



Catholic Leadership INSTITUTE

Disciple Maker Index Survey DMI Monikers in Survey

Diocese: Diocese of CLI

Parish: St. Helen Parish

Pastor: Fr. Michael Smith

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

CLI Portal Moniker: Spiritual identity

If the answer to the above question is “I am Catholic”, please answer the following two questions. Otherwise skip.

Which of the following best describes your path to Catholicism?

- I was baptized Catholic as a child
- I converted to the Catholic faith

CLI Portal Moniker: Path to Catholicism

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

**CLI Portal Moniker:
Catholic journey**

Which 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

**CLI Portal Moniker: Pace of 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	CLI Portal Moniker: Community: Welcoming				()
Providing me with opportunities to serve those in need	() CLI Portal Moniker: Community: Opportunities to serve				
Following up with me when I express interest in becoming more involved	() CLI Portal Moniker: Community: Follow up on involvement				
Providing a community to support me and/or my family in times of need	CLI Portal Moniker: Community: Support in time of need				
Involving me in decisions that affect the future of the parish	CLI Portal Moniker: Community: involved in decisions				
Providing transparent information to me about the finances of the parish	() CLI Portal Moniker: Community: Financial transparency				
Making information about the parish easy for me to find (via bulletin, web, email)	CLI Portal Moniker: Community: Information availability				()
My parish communicates effectively through online platforms, text and social media	CLI Portal Moniker: Community: Online Communication				

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	CLI Portal Moniker: Growth via: prayer life				
Offering vibrant and engaging Sunday Masses	CLI Portal Moniker: Growth via: Mass				
Offering music that deepens my desire to participate more fully in the Sunday liturgy	CLI Portal Moniker: Growth via: Music deepens participation				
Connecting me with a small faith-sharing group	CLI Portal Moniker: Growth via: small-group				
Preaching and homilies that connect my faith with my everyday life	CLI Portal Moniker: Growth via: preaching				
Providing retreats, workshops, and other resources to help me figure out my life's purpose	CLI Portal Moniker: Growth via: retreats/workshops				
Teaching me to read and pray with the Bible	CLI Portal Moniker: Growth via: Teaching to read the Bible				
Preparing me/my family for the sacraments (Confirmation, Marriage, Baptism)	CLI Portal Moniker: Growth via: Sacramental prep				
Forming me as a disciple of Jesus Christ	CLI Portal Moniker: Growth via: Forming as a Disciple				

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	CLI Portal Moniker: Recommend Pastor				
I would recommend my parish to a friend	CLI Portal Moniker: Recommend Parish				
I would recommend the staff of my parish to a friend	CLI Portal Moniker: Recommend Parish Staff				
I would recommend other priests serving my parish to a friend	CLI Portal Moniker: Recommend other priests				
My parish helps me grow spiritually as a Catholic	CLI Portal Moniker: Parish helps spiritual growth				

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	CLI Portal Moniker: Belief: Jesus died and rose again					()
The Eucharist really is the body and blood of Jesus Christ	CLI Portal Moniker: Belief: Eucharist is body/blood of Christ					()
Scripture is the word of God	CLI Portal Moniker: Belief: Scripture is word of God					()
In the teaching authority of the Church	CLI Portal Moniker: Belief: Authority of the Church					()
The Church is critical to my relationship with God	CLI Portal Moniker: Belief: Church critical in relationship with God					()
In Jesus' moral teachings for my life as taught by the Church	CLI Portal Moniker: Belief: Jesus moral teachings					()

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	CLI Portal Moniker: Conversations: Providing events				
Growing my confidence in the Church's teachings so I can answer other's questions	CLI Portal Moniker: Conversations: Confidence in teachings				
Exhibiting care to members of our community (not necessarily Catholics)	CLI Portal Moniker: Conversations: Care for community				
Teaching me how to share the story of Jesus	CLI Portal Moniker: Conversations: Sharing story of Jesus				
Teaching me how to share my personal witness story	CLI Portal Moniker: Conversations: Sharing personal story				
Helping me recognize how God is working in my life	CLI Portal Moniker: Conversations: God's work 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	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Invited someone to parish activity					
Invited someone to join me for Mass	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Invited someone to Mass					
Invited a man to consider a vocation to the priesthood	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Invited man to priesthood					
Invited someone to consider a vocation to religious life	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Invited another to religious life					
Answered another person's question about a teaching of the Catholic Church	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Answered someone's spiritual question					
Volunteered to serve a member of our community (not necessarily a Catholic)	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Volunteered to serve someone					
Shared the story of Jesus with another person	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Shared story of Jesus					
Shared my personal witness story with another person	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Shared personal story					
Prayed with another person outside of Mass	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Prayed with someone					

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

	Never	Once or Twice a Year	Quarterly	Monthly	Weekly	Daily
Individual prayer time with God	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: individual prayer time					
Bible study or Prayer group (in person or online)	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Bible study/prayer group					
Mass	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Mass attendance					
The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Confession					
Pastoral Counseling or Spiritual Direction	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Pastoral counseling/spiritual direction					
A class or workshop about the Catholic faith (in person or online)	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Class/workshop					
A parish social event	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Social event					
A retreat	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Retreat					
Eucharistic adoration – time in prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Eucharistic adoration					
Catholic Devotions (e.g. pray the rosary, novenas, special feast days)	CLI Portal Moniker: Frequency: Catholic devotions					

Membership at Your Parish

Is this parish your primary place of worship?

No

CLI Portal Moniker: Primary place of worship

Yes

Yes, but only for part of the year (seasonally)

How many years have you been worshipping at this parish?

<1

CLI Portal Moniker: Membership Duration

1-2

3-5

6-10

11-20

20+

Your Child's Religious Education

Below are questions regarding your child's religious education.

Do you have school age children?

- No
- Yes

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

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements regarding your child's faith journey.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I have adequate support from my parish to help my child(ren) grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ	CLI Portal Moniker: Support for child discipleship				
One of my most important responsibilities as a parent is helping my child(ren) to know Jesus	CLI Portal Moniker: Parents responsible for growth of child				

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

Which best describes how you choose to educate your children?

- I send all my children to Catholic school
- I send all my children to Public school
- I homeschool my children
- I choose separately for each child

If you answered "I send all my children to Catholic school" for "Which best describes how you choose to educate your children?" please answer the following question. Otherwise, skip it.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I would recommend the parish Catholic school to a friend.	CLI Portal Moniker: Recommend parish school				

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

Do you currently send your children to religious education at this parish?

No

CLI Portal Moniker: Child attends religious education at parish

Yes

If you answered "Yes" for "Do you currently send your children to religious education at this parish?" please answer the following question. Otherwise, skip it.

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statement.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
I would recommend my parish's religious education to a friend	CLI Portal Moniker: Recommend parish religious education				

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 is your sex?

CLI Portal Moniker: Sex

Male

Female

Which of the following best describes you?

Black or African-American

Asian-American

CLI Portal Moniker: Ethnicity/Race

Caucasian

Hispanic/Latino

Middle-Eastern or North African

Native American

Other

Please indicate your age bracket.

Under 18

18-25

CLI Portal Moniker: Age

26-35

36-45

46-55

56-65

66-75

Over 75

Please indicate your household status.

Single

CLI Portal Moniker: Marital status

Married

Divorced

Widowed

Financial Information

Below are questions regarding you/your family's personal finances and charitable giving. 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.

For statistical purposes only, please select the category corresponding to your household's approximate total annual pre-tax income.

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 0 – \$24,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$150,000 – \$199,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25,000 – \$49,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$200,000 – \$249,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000 – \$99,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> Greater than \$250,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000 – \$149,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> I prefer not to respond |

CLI Portal Moniker: Household income

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$0 – \$99 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000 – \$9,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 – \$499 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000 – \$24,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 – \$999 | <input type="checkbox"/> Greater than \$25,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000 – \$2,499 | <input type="checkbox"/> I prefer not to respond |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$2,500 – \$4,999 | |

CLI Portal Moniker: Household contributions

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

CLI Portal Moniker: Approach to financial giving

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%

CLI Portal Moniker: Giving percentage