



August 27, 2023

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH PRIESTS AND DEACONS

Rev. James Bachner.....Pastor
 Rev. Fernando Torres.....Parochial Vicar
 Mr. Mark S. Bibro.....Deacon
 Mr. Richard Longo.....Deacon
 Mr. Scott Potter.....Deacon



St. Catherine of Siena
 1909 Broadway Ave. Pgh, PA 15216

Our Website: www.stteresakolcatapgh.org

Parish Office

**1810 Belasco Avenue
 Pittsburgh, PA 15216**

Parish Ministry/Office.....412-531-2135
 Parish Fax412-531-8543
 Parish E-Mail**STK15216@gmail.com**

If you have a concern about the parish, please contact our Parish Pastoral Council at:
 PPCSTK@gmail.com



Resurrection
 1100 Creedmoor Ave. Pgh, PA 15226

Faith Formation Offices and Program Locations

**Nancy Spinneweber, Director of Faith Formation for Children
 English Programs (CGS/CCD) STKFFNancy@gmail.com**

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 1810 Belasco Ave, Pgh, PA 15216

St. Pius X School Bldg./ 412-563-0858 2690 Waddington Ave, Pgh, PA 15226

**Marina Osthoff, Director of Faith Formation for Children
 Spanish Program (CGS) STKFFMarina@gmail.com**
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**Patty Schwerin- (English) Director of Evangelization, Adult Faith
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STKPatty@gmail.com 412-563-0858



St. Pius X
 3040 Pioneer Ave. Pgh, PA 15226

Parish Secretaries:

Debra Argento
 Claudia Bazán-Arias
 Janet Jenkner
 Dori Priore

Parish Organists:

Julianna Haag (4pm & 9:30am SCS)
 Bill Scott (1pm SCS Spanish)
 Jay Zibura (4pm SPX, 8am SPX &
 11:00am RES)

Parish Maintenance:

Mike Kaduck
 John Ruskin

St. Teresa of Kolkata Parish

1810 Belasco Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15216 Beechview
Centro Parroquial.....412-531-2135
Fax.....412-531-8543
Oficina de Formación de Fe Hispana: 412-531-2135
Ext. 22

Ministerio Hispano

Padre Fernando Torres 412.531.2135 ext. 21
Marina Osthoff-Directora del Programa de Formación de Fe para Niños en Español. 412.531.2135 ext. 22
Bill Scott-Director de Música Latina
Claudia Bazán-Secretaria Bilingüe
Latino web-page: <https://www.stteresakolkatapgh.org/>

¿Estás interesado en ser católico?, ¿Eres un católico bautizado que necesita Primera Comunión y / o confirmación?

Si respondiste "sí", te invitamos a participar en este programa llamado **"Orden de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (O.I.C.A.)"**.

Comenzaremos con el Curso de Formación Católica para Adultos que desean aprender más sobre nuestra fe y prepararse para recibir los sacramentos del Bautismo, la Confirmación y la Primera Comunión. **Las sesiones inician el viernes 6 de octubre, 2023 a las 7 PM en el salón social de la Iglesia de St. Catherine of Siena/ St. Teresa of Kolkata Parish y concluyen en marzo 2024.** Información y registro, comuníquese con el Padre Fernando Torres fetorres138@hotmail.com y/o en la oficina parroquial con la secretaria Claudia Bazán al 412-531-2135.

STK-FORMACIÓN DE FE - CATEQUESIS PARA NIÑOS EN ESPAÑOL CURSO 2023-2024

Ofrecemos clases semanales para niños en edad escolar. Estas clases son requisito para poder recibir los Sacramentos de Primera Comunión y Confirmación.

Las clases serán en el edificio escolar de St. Catherine of Siena para **niños de 1 a 8 grado, los domingos: 11:30 am - 12:45 pm**

+ Catequesis del Buen Pastor: Nivel 1 para niños de Pre-K-Kínder de 11:30 am - 12:20 pm

Nivel 2 para niños de 6-9 años de 11:30 am - 12:45 pm

Bienvenida a las Familias e Inicio del Curso:

Domingo 17 de Septiembre, 2023, a las 11:30 AM en el Edificio Escolar.

INSCRIPCIONES DURANTE EL MES DE AGOSTO:
 Por favor entregue la hoja de Registro de su hijo(a) **antes del 3 de Septiembre.**

Información y registro con Marina Osthoff, Directora de Formación de Fe para Niños en Español al 412-531-2135 ext. 22/ email: stkffmarina@gmail.com o con las catequistas los domingos después de la Misa en español.

LENGUAJE DEL CORAZÓN

Grupo de Alcohólicos Anónimos (A.A.) en Español

Las reuniones serán **Todos los martes a las 8:00 PM**
En el salón social de la Iglesia de St. Catherine of Siena, 1810 Belasco Ave. Pittsburgh PA 15216
 (Red line 'T' stop 'Belasco') Informes con Bill Scott 412-512-4131 / scobill@gmail.com



CASA SAN JOSÉ

Centro de Recursos para Inmigrantes Latinos en el Suroeste de Pennsylvania

Dirección: 2116 Broadway Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15216. Atención telefónica: 412-343-3111

Emergencias Migratorias: 412-736-7167

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/casasanjosephgh/>

Correo electrónico: office@casasanjose.org

Horario de atención: lunes a sábados de 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

REUNION COMUNITARIA (último domingo del mes) Domingo 27 de Agosto 2:00 PM

PHDC 1555 Broadway Ave., Second Floor, Pittsburgh, PA 15216

Nuestra parroquia tiene un grupo llamado:

"Cuidado de la Creación de la Parroquia Santa Teresa de Kolkata"

«¿Qué tipo de mundo queremos dejar a quienes nos sucedan, a los niños que están creciendo?» Esta pregunta está en el centro de **Laudato si**, la esperada Encíclica del Papa Francisco sobre el cuidado de la casa común. Y continúa: «Esta pregunta no afecta sólo al ambiente de manera aislada, porque no se puede plantear la cuestión de modo fragmentario», y nos conduce a interrogarnos sobre el sentido de la existencia y el valor de la vida social: «¿Para qué pasamos por este mundo? ¿para qué vinimos a esta vida? ¿para qué trabajamos y luchamos? ¿para qué nos necesita esta tierra?» Al inicio de la encíclica, el Papa recuerda el «Cántico de las criaturas» de san Francisco de Asís para hacer un llamamiento urgente a un nuevo diálogo sobre el modo en que se está construyendo el futuro del planeta. Más información escribir a: stkffmarina@gmail.com

SCS-MISA EN PORTUGUES: Se celebra el segundo y cuarto domingo del mes a las 6:00 PM. Puede unirse virtualmente: [Facebook.com/ Católicos em Pittsburgh, PA](https://www.facebook.com/Catolicos em Pittsburgh, PA)

HORARIO de MISAS

St. Catherine of Siena

Sábado 4:00 PM

Domingo 9:30 AM

Domingo 1:00 PM (español)

Resurrection

Domingo 11:00 AM

St. Pius X

Sábado 4:00 PM

Domingo 8:00 AM

Horario de Misas entre semana:

8:00 AM St. Pius X: Lunes, Viernes, y también Miércoles a las 7:00PM

8:45AM St. Catherine of Siena: Lunes a Viernes

8:00 AM Resurrection: Martes, Jueves, y Sábado

CONFESIONES

En St. Catherine Siena: **SABADOS** de 12:00 a 12:30 PM y **DOMINGOS** de 12:15 a 12:45 PM.

***Confesiones en español son el primer sábado del mes.**

En St. Pius X: **MIERCOLES** de 6:15 a 6:45 PM.

BAUTISMOS: Se requiere que los padres y padrinos reciban una plática bautismal si es la primera vez; para registrarse e informes comunicarse con Marina Osthoff 412-531-2135 ext. 22/stkffmarina@gmail.com, o con el Padre Fernando Torres.

ROSARIO: se reza todos los domingos 12:15pm antes de Misa

Sacrament of Baptism:

Please call the Parish Office at 412-531-2135 to make arrangements for a baptism. Baptisms may be scheduled on Sundays at the 3 church locations—SCS, RES, SPX—after the last Sunday Mass. Please NOTE: A Baptism preparation class is required for first time parents. Parents are asked to call Patty Schwerin at 412-563-0858 to register and arrange for a scheduled time for this class.

Sacrament of Marriage: The Sacrament of Matrimony requires a time of spiritual preparation. Arrangements should be made at least six months before the date by meeting with the priest and *before any social plans are made.*

Sacrament of Reconciliation (CONFESSIONS):

Tuesday at Resurrection 7:15-7:45am
Wednesday at St. Pius X 6:15-6:45pm
Saturday at St. Catherine Noon-12:30pm

Becoming a Catholic: We do have a program to instruct those who are interested in becoming Catholic, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). Please contact Patty at 412-563-0858 or email stkpatty@gmail.com.

Religious Education: Children of the parish are expected to receive Religious Education in a Catholic school or Faith Formation program. For information or to register, please contact Nancy in the Faith Formation Office at 412-531-2135 / ext. 20, or email stkffnancy@gmail.com.

Catholic Schools: updates and information
Ave Maria Academy <https://avemariapgh.org>
Seton LaSalle Catholic High School www.slshs.org

Hospitalized Parishioners and Shut-Ins: Please call the Parish office if someone in your family is hospitalized or a shut-in. If a parishioner is not able to attend Mass, the priest and/or Eucharistic Ministers can bring Communion to the home.

Parish Registration: New parishioners are asked to register, as are newlyweds and single young adults, even if registered before with their families. A registration form can be found on page 5 of this bulletin.

FOOD PANTRIES serve certain boundaries:

—**The Brookline Food Pantry** is located at 1036 Brookline Blvd. 2nd Saturday of the month 9:00-11:00am.

—**The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry** is located in the St. Catherine School Building on the corner of Crosby and Pauline Avenues. 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month 9:30am-11:00am.

Beechview Manor: Manager can be reached at 412-571-2999 or 1926 Pauline Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15216.

Creedmoor Court: Manager can be reached at 412-344-1540 or 1050 Creedmoor Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15226.

Diocesan Victim Assistance Hotline
1-888-808-1235
Coordinator: 412-456-3093
Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-932-0313



St. Vincent de Paul Society: Our parish has an active St. Vincent de Paul Society that helps those in need. Please call 412-342-8836 if you need assistance. We also need volunteers; please contact the Parish Office.

Parish Appeal

2023 Goal: \$163,013 (We have until December 31, 2023 to collect)
Collected: \$161,121.73 (As of August 21, 2023)

Capital Campaign

Goal \$700,000 (5 year goal started June 2020)
Collected \$272,232.07 (As of August 21, 2023)

Offertory Collection Report**May 2023**

Regular Collection	\$58,691.01
OLG (Online Giving May)	\$ 8,773.00
Total May	\$67,464.01

(5 Sundays averaged **\$13,492.80 per week**)

**Note that April 30 deposits were deposited on May 1 and are included in May collection totals*

June 2023

Regular Collection	\$50,361.72
OLG (Online Giving June)	\$ 8,339.50
Total June	\$58,701.22

(4 Sundays averaged **\$14,675.31 per week**)

July 2023

Regular Collection	\$58,697.09
OLG (Online Giving July)	\$10,268.50
Total July	\$68,965.59

(5 Sundays averaged **\$13,793.12 per week**)

August 2023 (as of 8-21-23)

Regular Collection	\$35,624.93
OLG (Online Giving August)	\$ 6,325.00
Total August	\$41,949.93

(3 Sundays averaged **\$13,983.31 per week**)

Thanks to all who have continued to support our Church!

**Please consider leaving 10% of your Will to
St. Teresa of Kolkata Parish**

Want to donate thru online giving?

<http://www.osvhub.com/saint-teresa-of-kolkata/funds>

300 CLUB WINNER

Week 34 #290 Marcia Kostic \$100

Mass Schedule

MONDAY St. Augustine August 28

~~SPX 8:00am~~ No Mass
 SCS 8:45am Stephen Sisko (Family)
 Rose Getty (Daughters)

TUESDAY The Passion of St. John the Baptist August 29

RES 8:00am John Skindzier (Ressi Garage Crew)
 John and Catherine O'Toole (Terry O'Toole)
~~SCS 8:45am~~ No Mass

WEDNESDAY August 30

~~SCS 8:45am~~ No Mass
 SPX 7:00pm Gabriella Gigliotti (David and Maria)

THURSDAY August 31

~~RES 8:00am~~ No Mass
 SCS 8:45am Mary Rehm (John Johanna, Messina Family)
 JoAnn DuPont (Ronnie and Terry Rajohn)

FIRST FRIDAY September 1

SPX 8:00am Antonietta and Francesco Strangis
 (Connie Strangis)
 Donald King (Loving Family)
~~SCS 8:45am~~ No Mass

FIRST SATURDAY September 2

RES 8:00am Mary Pickens and Jeremy Dentel
 (Kevin and Michele O'Toole and Family)

VIGIL

SCS 4:00pm Antonio J. Caruso (Rose and Children)
 Ruthann Makranin (Karen McArdle)
 SPX 4:00pm Norma Frey (Marian Moorhead)

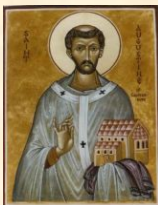
SUNDAY September 3

SPX 8:00am In Memory of 67th Anniversary of
 Butch and Gail Lang
 SCS 9:30am Maria and Domenico Folino and
 Deceased Children (Pete and Anna)
 RES 11:00am Bernice Mary Gawlas King
 (Krystyna and Caroline Jadowiec)
 SCS 1:00pm For the People of the Parish (in Spanish)

Note: Fr. Fernando will be away this week and we will be using our reduced week Mass schedule until September 1. Please see the modified Mass Schedule.

ST. AUGUSTINE— August 28 Doctor of the Church

St. Augustine, also called St. Augustine of Hippo, was born on 354, Tagaste, Numidia (now Algeria)—died August 28, 430, Hippo Regius. Bishop of Hippo from 396 to 430, one of the Latin Fathers of the Church. His most important written works are *Confessions* (c. 400) and *The City of God* (c. 413–426), shaped the practice of biblical exegesis and helped lay the foundation for much of medieval and modern Christian thought.



Key to listings: RES—Resurrection
 SCS—St. Catherine of Siena SPX—St. Pius X

Eucharistic Adoration:

SCS—1st Friday of the month after 8:45am Mass until 10:00am (unless there is a funeral)
 SPX—Last Wednesday of the month after 7:00pm Mass until 8:00pm
 RES—First Saturday of the month after 8:00am Mass until 9:15am

Miraculous Medal Novena:

SCS—Mondays after 8:45am Mass
 SPX—Mondays after 8:00am Mass
 RES—Tuesdays after 8:00am Mass

St. Anthony Novena:

SPX—Fridays after the 8:00am Mass (except 1st Fridays)
 SCS—Tuesdays after the 8:45am Mass

Sacred Heart:

SPX—First Friday after 8:00am Mass

Rosary:

SCS—Every Monday through Thursday at 8:15am, before the 8:45am Mass
 SPX—Every Monday and Friday before the 8am Mass, Wednesday at 6:35pm & Sunday at 7:30am
 RES—Every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7:30am

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

SCS—Fridays at 8:15am, before the 8:45am Mass

READINGS FOR HOLY WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
 Mt 23:13-22
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29
 Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
 Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17;
 Mt 24:42-51
 Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12;
 Mt 25:1-13
 Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30
 Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2;
 Mt 16:21-27

Rest in Eternal Peace

William R. Alexander
 Lillian L. Andrews
 Dorothy E. Casto



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Baptized in the Lord

Gabriel Guzmán Chaclán Jr
 Rodrigo Guzmán Chaclán



One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism – Ephesians 4:5

PARISH OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES



The *second collection* for this weekend of August 26/27 is for Tuition Assistance. Next Sunday's second collection for the weekend of September 2/3 will be for Parish Appeal.



Teresa's Table meals will be available on the following Saturdays at:
St. Catherine - September 9 from 8:30 to 10:00 am

St. Pius X - September 16 after 4:00 pm Mass



The next date for volunteers to pack lunches will be **this Sunday, August 27**, at Noon in SPX Church Hall.



GRIEF SHARE is being offered for the third time in our parish. GriefShare is a 13 week program happening in St. Catherine's Social Hall on Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 PM, **beginning September 13**. **GriefShare** is a world-wide, non-denominational program offering support to those who are grieving the loss of someone close to them, a spouse, such as a parent, child, family member, or friend. Please **sign up before September 8** by calling the parish office at 412-531-2135.

Let's tune into what participants said about our first two programs: "*GriefShare gave me an opportunity to deal with my 'buried' grief of many years.*"

"*As a result of GriefShare, I now have ways to deal with my loss, pain, suffering, anxiety, and fears. I learned to listen to God for suggestions on how to deal with loneliness.*"



THE ADULT CHOIRS

Music at St. Teresa – Come, join us!

The St. Teresa Adult Choirs at both Resurrection and St. Catherine's will resume practice on Tuesday, September 5th at 7:00 p.m. at each site. We look forward to our current members returning and invite anyone interested in singing with us, to come on the 5th as well! Beginning Sunday, September 10th, the choirs will sing at the 9:30 and 11:00 Masses.

Clearances are needed. Jay and Julianna will be happy to answer any questions. Just stop by the organ after a weekend Mass.

PARISH NEWS



COMMUNITY DINNER AND ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE

Hosted by St. Teresa of Kolkata Parish

ALL ARE WELCOME!

When: *This Sunday, August 27!* And every last Sunday of the month

Where: **St. Catherine of Siena Church**
1909 Broadway Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15216

Time: 4PM

A FREE hot dinner will be provided in the church hall after the prayer service. Please join us as we pray for healing for those in need in our community! Please call 412-563-0858 with questions.

Teresa's Outreach will be hosting two seminars on **Choosing the Right Medicare Plan**. Carleen Lachman, benefits consultant, will be speaking and providing a question-and-answer presentation on Medicare and Medicare Advantage plans. Carleen has worked as a benefits consultant for UPMC and Highmark for many years, selling Medicare Advantage Plans. Carleen will help take the guesswork out of your Medicare Shopping. Join us:

Tuesday, September 12, from 1 to 3 P.M. at St. Catherine Church Hall and Thursday, September 28, from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M.

Attendance is free, and all are welcome, however, pre-registration is **REQUIRED** by calling Patty Schwerin at 412-563-0858 by September 8.

CARE FOR CREATION GROUP

Save the Date: **Season of Creation Prayer Service**
Saturday, September 16, 2023 at 11 am

The Care for Creation group is planning a 45 minute prayer service, in conjunction with the global Season of Creation, to pray in gratitude for our Earth and to ask God's help in caring for our common home. Sister Kari Pohl, Sister of St. Joseph, will offer a reflection. It will be held at **St. Pius X lawn by the Blessed Mother statue**. The same service for Spanish speakers is scheduled for Sunday, September 24, 2023, at 11:30 am in the St. Catherine social hall. All are welcome at both!

For more information, please email:
laudatosipgh789@gmail.com.

St. Teresa of Kolkata Parish Membership Form

NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____

Please check one:

☐ New Registration ☐ Change of Address ☐ Moving out of Parish ☐ Wants Envelopes

Please drop Membership Form into the offertory basket or mail to Parish Office

MORE PARISH NEWS



PARISH FUN DAY - SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 3 (LABOR DAY WEEKEND)

At St. Pius X Hall and Gym from 2pm to 5pm. We will have Hot-Dogs, Chips, drinks, crafts, games and more. All activities and food are free. Please join us!

SAVE THE DATE: ST. TERESA OF KOLKATA PARISH PICNIC Sunday, October 1st at St. Pius X Grounds, from 12:30PM-6:30PM
More information to come!



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

*Are you interested in becoming Catholic?
Are you a baptized Christian who wants to become Catholic?*

*Are you a baptized Catholic in need of
First Communion and/or Confirmation?*

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, we invite you to participate in a dynamic process called the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA).

Our OCIA program offers an opportunity to come together in a small group setting to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. Sessions begin in September and are usually held at St. Pius X School of St. Teresa of Kolkata Parish (Brookline).

For information please contact Patty Schwerin at 412-563-0858, stkpatty@gmail.com, or contact one of our priests.

My dear STK family,

It has been a great joy spending the summer months serving this parish as your seminarian. I am heading back to Washington DC to continue my seminary studies for my Masters of Divinity with a concentration in Hispanic and Latino Ministry. I hope to return once a month or so for a weekend and for a time during my Christmas break.

I wanted to write a short note to let you all know how much you have helped me this summer in my priestly formation. Getting to work with Fr. Jim, Fr. Fernando, and an amazing staff made my job very easy. However, it was all of you, the people of this parish, who made me feel welcome and helped me to see a glimpse of how God will use me as His priest to serve His people. I very much look forward to that day. Next year I begin a stage of formation called the Pastoral Year. This means that I will be staying at the parish for 6 months to a year and working in the different ministries of the parish. I can't wait to spend this time with you and get to know all of you more.

Please be assured of my daily prayers for our parish. I know that you are all praying for me as well. If there is anything I can do for you, please do not hesitate to reach out to my diocesan email (mallampalli@diopitt.org) or write me a letter at the Theological College where I live in DC.

May the Lord bless you and hold you in the palm of His hand.

In the love of Christ,
Peter the Seminarian

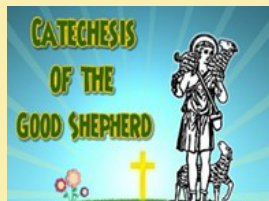
AROUND THE DIOCESE

MADE FOR MORE -VISIONS OF THE PROMISE LAND

At Corpus Christi Parish, Holy Child Church, 212 Station St. Bridgeville PA 15017
On August 30, from 7:00-9:30 PM. Join Christopher West and music by Mike Mangione as they offer a vision of the Gospel through the lens of St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body. Free event, all are welcome!

FAITH FORMATION (CCD/CGS) NEWS:

Registration is now open! Our Faith Formation Classes will return in September. Registration information and forms were mailed out to the families a few weeks ago. If you did not receive the information or you are new to the program, please contact Nancy. Also, registration forms are available at the Parish Office and on our website.



If you have any questions regarding the Faith Formation Programs, please contact Nancy at 412-531-2135/ext. 20 for more information.

God's blessings, Mrs. Nancy Spinneweber, Director of Faith Formation



PARISH NEWS – DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX DIOCESAN - WIDE RESULTS



Disciple Maker Index Diocesan-Wide Results

During Lent of 2023, parishioners across the Diocese of Pittsburgh were invited to share their thoughts, reflect on their spiritual growth, and provide parish leadership with invaluable insight regarding their parish's strengths and opportunities through the Disciple Maker Index (DMI).



It is with a joyful heart that I share with you several high-level results of the Disciple Maker Index for the Diocese of Pittsburgh. These results take into account 24,133 surveys completed by members from each of our 61 parishes. It is clear that the parishes of the Diocese of Pittsburgh are truly moving forward through the grace of the Holy Spirit. The information provided in this survey is being utilized by each parish to create pastoral plans focused upon Evangelization, Discipleship, and Mission.

Grateful for our continued efforts together in being On Mission for The Church Alive!, and for our belief that "Nothing is Impossible with God," I am

Your Brother in Christ,
The Most Reverend David A. Zubik
Bishop of Pittsburgh

FOUR FACTORS OF A THRIVING DIOCESAN PARISH

The DMI Survey collected responses on key areas of parish life that will allow us to continue to work toward becoming a more vibrant, thriving parish:

- **Leadership Indicators** - 75% of respondents strongly agree/agree that they are provided opportunities to serve at the parish
- **Sunday Experience** - 69% of respondents strongly agree/ agree that the parish offers vibrant and engaging liturgies
- **Spiritual Practices** - 72% of respondents state that they have personally encountered Jesus Christ and are growing as a disciple and 76% of respondents state that they are growing in their faith and would like to grow more
- **Missionary Impulse** - 96% of parents said that they strongly agree/agree that one of their most important responsibilities is helping their child to grow in faith

COLLECTIVE STRENGTHS OF ALL PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE

The DMI Survey provided us information on what respondents saw as strengths of the parish:

- **Belief** - 91% of respondents strongly agree/agree that the Eucharist is the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ and 92% strongly agree/agree that scripture is the Word of God
- **Community** - 77% of respondents strongly agree/agree that the parish makes them feel welcome and accepted
- **Parish Life** - 83% of respondents strongly agree/agree that they would recommend their parish to others
- **Transparency** - 74% of respondents strongly agree/agree that parish leadership is transparent regarding finances

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH

The DMI Survey provided us areas of opportunity for growth:

- **Discipleship** - 65% of respondents strongly agree/agree that the parish is helping to form them as a disciple of Jesus Christ
- **Formation** - 55% of respondents strongly agree/agree that they feel confident that they can share the teachings of the Church with others
- **Liturgy** - 62% of respondents strongly agree/agree that the music offered at Sunday Mass deepens their desire to participate more fully in the liturgy
- **Evangelization** - 37% of respondents strongly agree/agree that they are comfortable sharing their personal witness story

TO VIEW THE FULL DIOCESAN RESULTS, VISIT WWW.DIOPITT.ORG

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