Q2: Other than your home parish, which other parishes do you attend?

- Basicallain emmitsbury
- Delaware
- For Daily Mass- occassionallt on Sundays
- Frederick Church of the Believer
- Frederick Church of the Brethren
- Frederick County
- Frederick, San Juan
- Home
- National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- Other parts of MD, PA, etc. when traveling
- PA, TX
- Random
- Shrine of the Immaculate Conception Wash. DC
- St Agnes, Lake Placid, NY
- st elizabeth ann seton
- St john Evangelist
- st John the evengelist
- St joseph hanover PA
- St Katharine Drexel
- St katherine
- St Peter
- St Timothy/Walkersville
- ST TIMOTHY
- St. Anthony’s
- St. Ignatius
- St. Isaac Jogue
- St. John's Evangelist
- st. john’s
- St. Joseph Taneytown
- St. Josephs Taneytown, MD
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- St. Katherine Drexel @ St. John's school
- St. Katherine's in Frederick md.
- St. Peters, St. Katherine Derexel
- St. Timothy *(2 instances)*
- St. Timothy's, Walkersville
- St. Tims
- UCC and Methodist with family members

**Q10: Race/Ethnic Background**

- puerto rican

**Q11: Languages spoken at home**

- Arabic
- creole *(3 instances)*
- italian *(2 instances)*
- Portuguese

**Q13a: If you have children under 18, how do your children receive a religious education?**

- I live with my daughter and her family. 1 child 11 years old
- The children in our household are my grandchildren; their parents are Antiochian (Western Rite) Orthodox and are raising them as such.
- Timmy's Tots
- Too young for parish education

**Q13b: If you have children under 18, which of the following faith-based activities do you do with your children?**

- I actually participate with my grand daughter
- Movies, books, music, all are scrutinized before watching, reading or listening
- My children are grown; this answer refers to the grandchildren in our household.
- Spend hour before Blessed Sacrament/1x mth Eucharistic Adoration
Q13c: If you have children under 18, what do you feel are the greatest challenges you face in passing the faith on to your children?

- Conflicts/over participation in other activities
- Finding peers of same faith to journey together with thru the years
- I feel like there are so many Christians that use their faith to divide society. I do not see Christians acting with love and mercy it is difficult to counter those messages
- Large difference in age between kids
- Little support from friends and some family
- Poor youth ministry program
- She is an infant
- These are grandchildren, we live with our daughter, her husband and family
- They don't see their friends in their parish....the are by themselves...missing a peer group.

Q15: How would someone know you are a Christian?

- Charitable works
- Hospital ministry
- I am actively encouraging a coworker to attend our church with her daughter, who is 8 and has been asking her mother to take her to church
- I have a statue of Jesus on my desk and a state of St Anthony on my bulletin board
- I listen to the Catholic Channel on Sirius all the time!
- In the previous question about sharing my faith, any of the first 3 answers might be my choice, depending on the situation. You should have a box like this for every question.
- JESUS not the pope
- Ministry/Volunteer at church and schools & community
- on Discovering Christ Team
- teach in catholic school
- volunteer with christian groups
- volunteer with church ministry
- Wear a cross / crucifixion
- whatever i can do
- Work in Catholic school
- work with children teaching them to be loving in a religious affiliated school
Q17: What do you feel are the greatest obstacles to being able to talk about faith with others?

- Catholicism has such a bad reputation now I discuss faith but not particularly Catholicism.
- Distortion of Christianity by far right wing has created a hostility about Christianity.
- Don't know how to talk about it or bring it up without offending.
- Fear of being targeted.
- Getting into arguments.
- I am constantly on the offensive - the sexual abuse and materialism seen with clerics in high administrative places - Remains a very sore wound even outside our faithful.
- I don't like conflicts.
- I live a very private life; my sister who shares my home is quite active in Lutheran and interdenominational activities, and I support her in those; we talk about our beliefs at home, but she isn't interested in Catholicism except to retain many of our father's (a Lutheran minister) and Mother's views, so (motto voce) we agree to disagree.
- I think most people are not receptive to it.
- I.
- Most of my day is spent in a business setting therefore there is little/no opportunity to have conversation.
- No obstacle I just do it.
- None.
- Not allowed at work.
- Not applicable.
- People are overly opinionated about their personal beliefs and do not want to take time to consider others.
- People have preconceived bias that they as a challenge for argument.
- People just don't seem interested, too busy w/ other things.
- Political correctness in the workplace.
- Religious fanaticism is a current issue and can be a volatile subject.
- Scrupulosity never addressed adequately.
- While not outwardly seeking opportunities, most of my social contacts are with fellow Christians.

Q18: What does the term “evangelization” mean to you?

- All of the above.
church ministries participation
demonstrating it by actions
es algo muy bonito y hermoso
give everyone the passport to heaven "Jesus"
Hospital ministry
inviting others to get to know Christ
means you are able to show your joy in your faith and religion make someone else happy to hear you
Sending children to Catholic schools
Telling them to go to church

Q19: Think of a person who you know has left the Catholic Church or is thinking about doing so. With that person in mind, which of the following do you believe are the 2 or 3 most important reasons they left or might leave?

- Alcohol
- Apathy
- Authoritarianism of the Church
- Catholic church excludes too many people not a church of LOVE
- Didn't like the change in mass
- Divorce
- Divorced
- Do feel they belong - they don't feel community at a personal level - and Mass is where those who "belong" come together - who feel they have a commonness
- Don't know any
- Don't know anyone who has left
- Drug and alcohol abuse
- Feel like need to donate money
- Feel that the church creates problems and its hypocritical
- Feeling excluded of good community
- Felt mistreated after a marriage divorce because husband turned gay and church wouldn't give her an annulment
- Hard to say what is in someone's mind
- I don't know of anyone who has left or is thinking about leaving
- Insufficient foundation of faith in early life
It's not important enough to get up and go. Dissatisfied with way they may have been treated by church
judge by priest at confession
kids sport schedules
lack of necessity of a formal religion
Loss of a child
Married a protestant
Misunderstanding of annulments, treatment of homosexuals--they are created by & loved by God, right? The church needs to do Better! Lack of respect for women, still evident in exclusive language in Creed & Catechism. Why not have women deacons?
most of the people that left the church is lock of education and humility . not been centered on Jesus .It's not all about me .why I'm here? these are questions many do not ask themself any more
My wonderful friend is a lesbian and how can she attend a church where she knows they think she is wrong?
Not a priority in a busy life
not my business
Our parish does not support our military/veterans. There should be patriotic songs all year but most importantly on Veteran's day and Memorial day.
Position on divorce
Staff member's hostile attitude!
They don't feel that anyone notices them...it is similar to 'not feeling welcomed' but is more serious. No one knows that they're there....who they are by name, their issues and problems....
They don't understand the Protestant/Catholic split
Too busy
We need dynamic speakers. Homilies are too often boring.

Q20: Think of a person who you know has left the Catholic Church or is thinking about doing so. With that person in mind, which of the following do you believe are the 2 or 3 most important reasons they left or might leave?

- agree twith her to going to to other christians church and is happy feels welcome by this other church
- get the timber out of the hierarchy and welcome in full membership our gay family members
- Give books & videos.movies that inspire our faith
i don't have anyone in mind

if the person is living an exemplary Christian life, who am I to tell him he should change?

Interestingly... none of these options offer that the church itself will change. If people are feeling that their spiritual needs are not being met, it is the church that needs to change... not me and what I have to tell them about the church. The Catholic Church needs to stop being such a relic and be more open to celebrating God and looking for ways to encourage relationship with Him in new ways. The old ways are not being embraced by today's society.

invite their children to attend youth groups events

invite them to bible study

My friend lives too far away for some of these options.

Not my business

Nothing, faith and how it is practiced is a personal matter.

novenas to st monica?

offer to pray with them

openly discuss the issues Church has had in the past

Religion Catholic/Truth & beliefs in secular daily life answer

respect their choice of church

Support their Christianity even though they no longer belong to The Catholic Church

Their interest in the Church needs to be invoked internally. Possibly some of the above would initiate some examination of their relationship to God and how the Church provides that but absent an acknowledged need for a committed search for a spiritual connection to God it's hardly possible to reestablish their faith through social occasions.

They left the Catholic Church....and the Church hasn't changed....what would make them return? I could ask them to Mass....but they can't participate fully....why would they come back to reminded about this?

would not try!!!

Q23: There are many ways that people grow in their spiritual life and practice aside from going to Mass. Please check the ways in which your spiritual life is nourished.

- Al-Anen
- attend retreats
- being a genuine friend and caring
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- Bible study
- Conversations with Jesus and Blessed Mother, the Holy Spirit is my go to when I am really stuck!
- Currently, my job (providing in-home care for the elderly and/or disabled) takes up too much of my time. I used to attend Eucharistic Adoration and a small ecumenical/charismatic Bible study/prayer and praise group, but can no longer do so.
- daily meditation.
- DCDS
- Discovering Christ Leadership Team
- Discovering Christ Team
- Doing the right thing when confronted with challenges
- Em, lector, etc.
- Eucharistic adoration not necessarily when there is exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- Give aid where I can.
- helping the needy
- helping with youth ministry and always learning and researching topics.
- I mostly practice my Christianity through my Rotary community service
- Learning more about my faith from Catholic Channel (SiriusXM)
- Listening to the Catholic Channel
- minister work
- morning evening prayers
- my work
- participating in church ministries
- participating in my church choir song prayers and helping others
- personal relationship with the lord - informal conversations
- prayers daily to keep jesus at my center
- retreats, conventions, conferences
- Retreats
- Serving as a Eucharistic Minister
- sung in a choir
- through my work as a healthcare provider
- volunteer at multiple non profit groups
- Volunteering
Q24: What is the one thing you could do to enhance your spiritual life?

- Acudir a medios de formacion
- Add Daily Prayer to my regular daily schedule.
- Always make time to pray
- Am still trying to figure that out.
- At a bi-monthly mom's group and a monthly rosary brunch.
- At this point in my life, I am not one to be very outward.
- Attend a bible study
- Attend a retreat
- Attend adoration, do devotions
- Attend adoration
- Attend bible studies
- Attend bible study. Volunteer more.
- Attend church more
- Attend daily mass
- Attend Eucharistic Adoration more often.
- Attend Mass more often, or small faith groups.
- Attend mass several times a week
- Attend Mass
- Attend more activities, opportunities for study
- Attend other church sponsored event beside mass
- Attend prayer groups
- Attend retreats.
- Attending daily Mass more frequently. Receive the sacrament of Reconciliation more frequently.
- Be a better person
- Be more aware of God's blessings and works in my life. Pray more and meditate
- Be more committed to daily involvement prayer
- Be more consistent in my prayer life
• Be more consistent with reading Scripture and spend time singing praises to the Lord, which I used to do, but haven’t for a long time. When this current busy season allows, I would like to consistently attend Eucharistic Adoration.
• be more faithful to practicing contemplation
• Be more giving of time to others
• Be more involved.
• be more mindful
• Be more open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and follow through with doing the will of God.
• be more open
• Be open to the Holy Spirit
• BECOME A ECURISTIC MINISTER
• Become active in social justice ministry.
• Become more a part of the church community which my husband and I have been doing as of recently.
• become more involve
• Become more involved in church activities
• Better understand the bible and how it relates to this day and age.
• Bibile study/ adult religeous education
• Bible study
• Complete RCIA and come fully into communion with the Church and be confirmed.
• continue daily mass and prayers and offer service when needed
• Continue learning more about my faith
• daily mass and adoration
• Daily mass
• daily prayer/devotion
• Daily scripture reading & reflection time <>< /
• Daily scripture readings
• Devote more time to it
• Devote more TIME.work and life commitments are a huge drain
• Devote more time (4 instances)
• Embrace some of the opportunities provided within my parish to learn and grow in my faith.
• Engage in religious education more frequently
• Eucharistic adoration and praying the rosary
fast and pray the rosary
Feel more comfortable with the stands of the Catholic in matters such as birth control, divorce, women being priests or at least deacons.
Find a way to be more active in outreach activities in our community. I feel I have a lot to offer, but need direction to the right pathway.
Find a way to contribute my time/talent in the church
Focus on being Christ-like and be patient toward others opinion.
Focus on Jesus being my center in everything
focus on the future and teaching
Frequent prayer
Get more involved in church. Get familiar with the bible again.
Get more involved with small groups within the parish.
give more time to personal prayers attend daily mass
go to adoration more
go to church more often
go to church
go to confession more often
go to confession
Go to reconciliation more often.
Go to Reconciliation more often
have a better memory
Have a set time for morning prayer & evening prayer
Have divorced issues resolved
hear more talks from religious
help at a soup kitchen
Help others and pray more.
Help others to open the gifts of the Spirit that they received at Baptism.
Helping
hmmmmmm...not sure...
I am a care giver, would like more time to attend church programs. I did in the past when life wasn't so hectic and exhausting
I am already involved in my daily life as a devout Catholic as well as in ministries which consists of Discovering Christ, and taking the Eucharist to the nursing home weekly and to shut-ins.
I don't know. I know that I don't want to just go through the motions of practicing and participating without them having a meaning.
I don't know.
I don't know.
I really don't know....give more time to my spiritual life.
I want to be able to bring Jesus' love for me and our world into my daily life to give me the confidence and joy to face life's challenges.
If it were convenient, I would like to attend classes.
I'm not sure. Maybe take a bible study course.
Incorporate bible more
increasing my praying time
Join a bible study
join a faith group/
Join a faith sharing or bible study group and stay committed to it.
Join Discovering Christ/
know more about my faith
Learn more about my faith
Learn more
Learn not to judge others.
listen to god and everyone
make a more conscious effort to set aside times of the day for prayer...go to confession more often....attend more AA meetings
make the effort to make daily readings
Make time for Prayer.
make time for prayers scripture
make time
meditate
More DOING for Jesus and giving to others simply because it is what God wants us to do.
More joyous communion religious activity
More personal prayer
more prayer time
more prayers
More scripture study and putting it into context (biblical, historical, etc.)
• more structured prayer
  • My spiritual life could be enhanced by scripture INSTRUCTION, rather than bible study groups. /
  • no clue
  • Not consciously sin!
  • Not sure
• obtain spiritual direction
• Orar todo el tiempť
• participate in adult faith formation
• Participate further in the life of the Church
• Participate in more parish events/activities
• participate in programs offered.
• Participate in small Bible/worship group
• Participating more in programs that are offered. For instance, the Discovering Christ program brought about more focus in the way we can relate to God. Also, watching EWTN is very important in bringing more current and past things into perspective.
• participating more
• participating read more /
• Penance
• practice my faith teaching daily
• Practice what I believe
• Pray and journal more often
• pray and meditate
• Pray better
• Pray daily, return to Reconciliation consistently (discontinued this sacrament), read the Bible
• pray daily
• Pray life
• pray more and trust that it works
• Pray more often.
• Pray more often
• pray more outside of church
• Pray more, attend bible lessons, retreats, pilgrimages
• Pray more, attend mass more often
Pray more, examining my faith more to increase my spiritual life/living
- pray more, help the needy, sick more
- pray more (9 instances)
- Pray the Rosary.
- Pray the Rosary
- pray to god and the holy spirit for guidance in most situations
- pray
- Prayer
- Prioritize prayer time daily.
- Put in more effort. Be more conscience of when God is present
- RCIA
- Reach out to others
- Read and reflect on scripture more often.
- Read and reflect on the Church’s doctrine and mission. Establish a discipline that requires me to do that.
- Read bible pray every day
- read more Scripture
- read more scriptures
- Read more spiritual oriented books.
- read more (2 instances)
- read Sunday readings and understand the message before going to Mass
- read the bible more often
- Read the bible more (3 instances)
- Read the bible (6 instances)
- Read the scriptures/bible more
- reading the scripture participating in prayer groups
- Receive the sacrament of reconciliation more often.
- Remember to include Jesus Christ more often in my daily life.
- retire from work
- return to Eucharist Adoration.
- rosary participator
- rosary, more prayer, bible
- seguira a Jesucristo
Set aside times to attend Eucharistic adoration, read spiritually nourishing books, and attend Bible study with our friends more regularly.

- share more with a friend
- share prayer more often
- Somehow find time to pray and be a more active member of the parish. There is just no time with a 3-year-old and no child care.
- Spend more time in quiet reflection and prayer.
- Spend more time in silence
- Spiritual Director
- Stop and listen to what Jesus is telling me.
- Study Carmelite saints and charism
- Study scripture more often.
- study the bible
- Take a little more time to pray.
- Take more time to pray more completely. With three little ones, I feel like I could be doing so much more for God but they eat up most of my time.
- take more time to pray, disconnect from outside distractions. Find a prayer group for 'mid-life' adults
- take more time to think of god
- Take the time to pray, meditate
- Talk about God in my marriage more...I struggle with this as my husband was not raised Catholic. He went thru RCIA but is not very open to discussing God in our daily lives as he says "he doesn't know enough."
- Talk more.
- talk to others
- thankful for all my blessings
- There is not one thing. Spiritual life is (should be) dynamic and vibrant. If it were as simple as picking one thing that could enhance my spiritual life, faith would be easier. There are a million things that I could do to enhance my spiritual life. The question should be how can I get around to all of them.
- To continue to keep Christ as the center and focus of all that I do, think and feel and to ask for guidance each day.
- Trust more, lose anxiety
- try harder.
- understand scripture better
- Volunteer/participate in a prayer ministry
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- Work closer to home, free up time
- Work on reducing/overcoming distractions
- worke harder at it
- Would love to get to Eucharistic adoration more and pray rosary or chaplet daily.

Q25: What is the one thing the parish could do to help you enhance your spiritual life?

- ??
- 24 hour adoration
- adequate
- be as open as they have been
- be inclusive and welcome
- Be more welcoming and less judgemental. And make favoritism less obvious.
- Be open to more opportunities to worship the Lord in song, prayer, and adoration.
- Be quiet before Mass,
- better applications of liturgy to on going events
- Better music. It's not inspiring.
- bible study in layman’s term
- Book clubs on different faith based books with dicussion
- Bringing Discovering Christ. Videos by Father Barron on Catholicism.
- Ca not think of anything right now
- cannot think of anything
- Continue asking for service time from parishioners.
- Continue having opportunities for prayer, mediation and guest speakers that foster growth in Christ.
- continue to offer bible study
- Continue to offer enrichment opportunities
- continue to offer opportunities
- Continue to provide great help and guidance along the path to Full Communion
- doing a good job so far no complain
- don't know *(2 instances)*
- During the homily, relate Jesus teachings to down to earth every day life situations. Sometimes priests speak at the PHD level during thier homily. This suggestion is for ALL priests.
During winter mths, have Sat evening Mass start at 4pm
- each week tell us one interesting bible fact; tell us books, text book type materials to read
- Encourage parents to use the vestibule for fussy babies
- give more current events with how it relates to the reading
- give us hope and ways to cope with evil in the world
- Good Question, Not Sure.
- Grupo de Oracion
- Have a daytime bible study group
- have a faith group that interest me
- Have a more approachable/relatable homily. While I agree that it is important to reflect on the readings, applying what the readings mean to our everyday lives in 2015 may make it easier to discuss God in our lives.
- Have a novena periodically, parish retreat, speakers/videos in the faith, etc.
- Have a nursery to allow parents w/ babies/toddlers to be able to stay focused in Mass
- have a wonderful parish
- Have church quiet for prayer upon arrival. Extremely noisy with talk of private conversations.
- Have dynamic speakers meet with the priest to prepare an appropriate topic for that weeks readings and have the speakers give the homily. This seems to be what draws the young people and piques their interests. Motivational speakers would definitely enhance myself spiritual life and many others.
- Have mass more reverent and bring back more tradition.
- have more devotion available
- have more family events where we all are nourished
- have parish associates and directors /
- Have the few, controlling persons who run faith activities to cede some of their ownership to others so that those not currently attending would be more attracted to these events.
- Have the homily be more relatable and about experiences everyone goes through. Just talking about the readings back then doesn't relate them to me these days and how I can take the lessons and grow.
- Have women - who are moved by the Holy Spirit have the opportunity to express the will of God, fulfill His message
- Home visit
- Home visits
I am not socially active or interested in group activity, so I can't really think of anything appealing.

I am not sure.

I believe our parish is doing a wonderful job enhancing my spiritual life.

I cannot think of one thing. There are plenty of offerings. But life is full and I do not have time, do not want to take the time, and/or the timing of the offerings conflicts with other important activities in my life.

I don't know if that is something the church can do for me

I don't know of anything

I don't know. They offer many opportunities that I don't take part in, because I am so busy. I know this is just for a season, but I don't know how long it will last.

I feel my parish offers a vast opportunity through ministries and services for me to enhance and advance my faith journey.

I feel that my parish does provide avenues to enhance my spiritual life it is up to me to participate.

I feel that my parish has a lot of offerings for parishioners to grow but I don't take part in them, usually because I'm too busy.

I find my church to be stuck in it ways. It is not open to new ideas and new ways to celebrate God. It needs a paradigm shift to recognizing that "the church" is its own people, and not just the ones who work in the office. Once there is an acceptance that the church is the people and that the staff are there to serve them... things may begin to improve.

I really enjoyed the time they showed the Catholicism videos. I learned things about my faith, but it was not as "scary" as joining a bible study group. So something like that would help me.

I think my parish fulfills all of my spiritual needs.

I think my parish is the main reason that we have not only stayed Catholic but grown tremendously in our faith the past four years. If it were not for our parish community, I do not know if we would have chosen to remain as Catholics. St Timothy parish is truly a wonderful place.

I think my parish provides all the opportunities to enhance a spiritual life.

I think St. Timothy's is doing all they can.

I think the parish offers many programs now, that are to help enhance your spiritual life. I have to make myself more available to these programs.

I think we need to hold regular community dinners and take that opportunity to share our faith experience and show those there they are need and cared about and offer them the opportunity to attend mass.

I would like to join the choir or be a reader or Eucharistic minister. Again, no time and no child care.
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- I would love to see the church opened all the time and have the Tabernacle in the main church, not the chapel. Offer time for rosary other than on Monday night.
- I’m not sure.
- Increase the weekly attendance
- Inspirational Talks
- invite guest speakers, organize trips to surrounding shrines or events
- It is up to me. There is nothing more the parish could do.
- Just be there when I need someone to talk to about the stress in my life with care giving for spouse
- keep been in there for me, I will Enhance, as long the parish is there to provide my community.
- keep engaging young adults over 18 to come back for thing they would participate like Christmas mass choir
- make it easier for more to be able to volunteer their time. the more volunteers we have for ministries, the easier it shall be for every volunteer to use their time wisely. recruit more regular volunteers.
- make message in social settings
- Make personal contacts to invite my participation.
- Make Sunday a full day of Christ. More than just Mass, but community education.
- make you feel more welcome
- Maybe is weekly bulletin, explain why we do specific things in Mass. I was raised Catholic but honestly did not start attending church regularly until I was in my 20's. I am learning (or re-learning) alot of interesting things from my daughter’s (11 yrs old) youth group activities. So maybe an extremely simple explanation of why we say what we say during church or why is the rosary important or what are all the mysteries about?
- mini retreat
- More activities for married couples
- More bible telling stories
- More classes. Otherwise, I find our parish very welcoming with plenty of opportunities to grow in my faith.
- More connecting with parishioners during the week and socials after Mass. People need to be more outgoing and talk to more than just the people they know. In most parishes of which I've been a member, parishioners only talk to people they know, leaving visitors and others sitting by themselves. Parishioners need to approach those they don't know and say hello; help people feel welcome.
- More evening prayer/study groups - personal invitation to participate creates a more welcoming opportunity.
More events offered for young married couples or couples without children
more learning
More one night (one evening) programs - that reinforce the basics. Why "we" Catholics do what we do and why we believe in what we believe.
More opportunities to support marriage life and families with children.
More opportunity got religion dialogue
more practical "how to live a christlike life" sermons
More social events, encourage people of like ages to meet
more social events
More varied small group opportunities
My parish already offers many opportunities to enhance my spiritual life.
My pastor, Richard Murphy, has tried to involve me in the ministry of the church, but I have been suffering from chronic pain issues and low self esteem and have not chosen to actively pursue the opportunities that I have been given. I feel that I have been called to the priesthood in my youth, and although I dropped out of seminary after only one year, I have never really felt closure in this call, and have felt it again and again through my life -- even at my age, I still feel unresolved and like I have failed my Lord.
no clue
not sure at this time. Parish does a good job covering all the bases.
Not sure. They try to do so much especially for teens and special interests that there doesn't seem to be much offered for, or need for help from, the active working adults with older, none, or grown children.
Not sure (2 instances)
Nothing - it's on me. My parish offers a tremendous amount of groups and activities.
nothing doing great /
Nothing I can think of.
nothing my parish is very active
nothing really - there are many outreaches and services already....it's a personal motivation and drive kind of thing
Nothing, parish offers many opportunities I just need to become more active.
Nothing, we have all kinds of different opportunities for this
Nothing. I believe my parish provies the right tools...just need to use them.
Nothing.
Offer a novena periodically, parish retreat by a retreat master and talks from Catholic evangelists. ///////////////
• offer bible study that is interesting
• offer down to earth spiritual activities
• Offer mini-retreat fdays / Expand hours of adoration
• Offer missions that increase the strength of my faith and provoke honest self examination of why I lack the commitment to improvement
• Offer more faith sharing or bible study groups that would invite the younger families.
• Offer more instruction in ways to pray and meditate and contemplate. Offer some diverse participative and silent prayer services
• Offer more learning opportunities
• offer more masses during off days
• Offer more programs for the elderly during the day
• Offer more social events where I can get to know other parishioners.
• Offer more times for various events and have mass in evenings on Sunday. I work shift work and it's hard to attend mass most weekends
• Offer retreats at the church,
• Offering child care at some events meant more for adults than families
• often adult education
• Ok as is
• OPEN UP THE HOMILYS TO Q &A ONCE A MONTH.
• Orar
• Our parish already offers many opportunities, I just usually feel too busy to take part in them.
• Our parish offers many opportunities already.
• Our parish offers many opportunities for enhancement of our spiritual life.
• parish meeting my needs
• parish mission
• Perhaps have a "volunteer" day where parishioners can learn all the ways to help and contribute time/talent, where church leadership learns what is available in time/talent from parishioners and works together to find a "match"
• Poner mas medios de formacion
• pray for me
• pray more
• prayer group more frequent adoration
• Prayer group would help me pray more and not feel an outcast
• PRESENTATION. This includes an emphasis on a dynamic Priest/Deacon who does not rely on reading a Homily word for word from notes but rather show us their passion by getting away from behind a microphone and lectern and really connecting with the parishioners. Unfortunately, I believe St. Timothys in Walkersville has not had this since Fr. Jeff Dauses’ short tenure a few years ago.

• Promote Adoration, frequent references to spiritual writings of the saints and Doctors of the Church which supplements the Bible.

• Provide more family centered activities

• Provide more learning opportunities

• Provide more opportunities for me to grow in faith with adults while my children are being cared for.

• Provide more opportunities for younger people to meet and interact without pressure to accomplish a specific thing for the parish.

• Provide opportunity for social justice ministry

• provide prayers opportunity encourage traditional devotions rosary

• Provide resources for spiritual growth.

• Quiet before Mass!

• Reach out to a younger generation in a more positive and open manner. The Catholic Church is slow to change and that is just sad to watch.

• reach out

• Reinstate adult faith coordinators

• relate what is said to todays world

• Respect others in prayers with silence

• Retire those tired old songs.

• Satisfied as is

• Saying Discovering Christ Prayer as apart of mass <<<

• Somehow get a better sense the I know the lord.

• St Timothy parish is open, loving, giving and constantly looking for ways to assist our parishioners. / My family has been blessed with the love and guidance of Msgr Richard Murphy. My spiritual life is continually enhanced by all the members of my church family at St. Timothy.

• stop asking for money money and more money

• teach how to say the rosary

• teaching more about bible study

• The parish could respect me as a WWII Veteran and both my sons as Vietnam Veterans. All we ask is to be acknowledged in song and pray on Veteran’s day and Memorial Day
The parish is currently offering all that is necessary. All I need to do is slow down and take advantage of the various opportunities.

The parish is fine with me.....

The Parish offers many things, I just need to attend

The parish offers much to those willing to take up an effort to enhance. It is basically up to the individual to choose, if that is what they want.

They are doing a great job already!

They do all they can.

They offer many opportunities but time is not always good because of families

Tragically...I think I live too far from our parish. I love the people and our pastor. But the distance of more than 20 minutes prevents my family and I to attend the other activities within the parish and better know our parishioners.....we live in different towns...we don't see each other outside of Mass. We are seriously considering attending the parish within our town...the one we left when they prevented our older daughters from being altar servers. our daughters had been altar servers for two years in an other parish in the Washington, D.C. Archdiocese.

transportstion

Turn the microphone up

Uncertain. (2 instances)

Very happy w/ my parish

we have many opportunities

While our parish is very warm and inviting many of the events are assumed that you already know locations in which they are held. Just getting all of the information out about an event the church is having would be helpful.

Q26: Do you have any specific suggestions for ways to improve or broaden the appeal of adult faith formation opportunities in this parish?

- a program for young single adults (20 to 30yrs) need to be implemented
- Adult Christian formation at the same times the kids get it.
- Adult education, retreats, prayer group that connect with working schedules. That being said I am retiring in April and expect to more fully connect on things i have missed our on for many years.
- Adult faith formation needs to be an expectation for all!
- attempt to broaden the appeal to younger males in the church. non-working females seem to be able to connect. males (and those who work) have less chance to do so in the parish setting.
Be more encouraging and not as much talking at us telling us we are not good enough.
Be more open to women in general.
Be more positive and uplifting during homilies
Bible stories of comparing with our day to day life
CERTAIN MASSES SHOULD BE IN LATIN WITH HYMS FROM THE PAST
conferencias
Continue to find programs and opportunities to attract both active church attendees and those who do not routinely come to Mass, or other church activities
Encourage adoration participation and praying the rosary
encourage leadership mid age increase variety of short time commitment opportunities for adults faith formation
encourage us adult to study the bible
Escuchar Radio Maria es una forma super
Explore new venues for faith formation
get more small groups to learn about Jesus. small group get people to talk and understand more who Jesus really is.
give more meat potatoes in the teaching of the faith
greater interaction of the Hispanic community with other segments of the parish.
Have discovering Christ in the am as well as pm
have families with small children sit outside in gathering the noise is very distracting to pray
Have knowledgable people who can speak in laymans terms.
Have learning opportunities for adults while their children are participating in religious ed or youth group. Also have more activities and groups for young adults.
have more parish mission and speakers for adults
have the faith group ages closer together so that topics relate
Have them between Masses on Sunday.
Hold programs after Mass. Also talk about what's happenig in the program in homilies.
I am very involved in an outside non profit and wish there was some way to involve the church
I feel the parish offers many opportunities, my work prevents me from taking advantage of those opportunities.
i wish that we would impress on individuals the benefits of small group bible studies so important foradult growth and out reach
Make virtue attractive in our lives. (Looking for a synonym for “attractive” -- Peter Kreeft used it in his book on the virtues, which I lent to a friend.)

message need to be more direct current relevant church must address the current event and speak more to how church should respond church has been to silent conservative on too many issues

Mine is personal and may not apply to the general parishioner. I would benefit from adult level religious education.

mix social with spiritual days of retreat Social/ prayer clubs

more age related groups (40s)

more social events make church part of social network

Nee dm more evening opportunities for adult education & more social gatherings

No...not really. I would suggest that we focus on knowing each other from Mass. How many times do we JUST walk into church and sit down. Do we know who we are sitting next to? We need to know when people are missing....and what is happening to them. How many people leave Mass at Communion? We need to feel we belong....that we don't want to leave until we've checked in on the various families we know at Mass. ONE OTHER IDEA.....I love our parish churches....BUT many times the building no longer is located in the 'center of the parish life'. We need to go OUT to where our parishioners are living....e.g., I know of a large Hispanic community that lives along a route...it is too far from the parish...BUT there are various 'strip malls'....why would we not have 'satellite' parish places.....rent a place within a 'strip mall' and hold meetings, provide services, maybe even a Mass...etc?

Offer communion to people of other faiths who accompany their families who are Catholic. Use unconsecrated bread and wine for them.

Offer more bible study or adult ed activities with child care

Offer the sessions on weekends and provide child care.

Personal contact/invitations to people who are participating in attending our mass and services but aren't members of our parish or, in some instances, our Catholic faith.

possibly have young adult bible studies

prayer groups

Provide more opportunities to be aware of the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the change of life that results from the release of the Spirit in the individual's life.

Revise the methods you reach out to adults. This generation of adults is more open and diverse to the world, the Catholic church should be bold enough to recognize that.

see last question

See last response.

Somehow convince/educate parishioners to at least TRY the adult faith formation opportunities. How do you counter their responses of, "I just don't have time."?
Stop asking for money so frequently and understand that we give what we can afford to give. I am on a limited income and don't appreciate feeling guilty because I can no longer donate as much as I have in the past.

Strive for Holiness

Study groups in place are inspiring
tenor mas ayudo espiritual

Themed retreat days

There needs to be a way to get the younger adults involved in higher positions within the structure of Adult Formation. It seems to be the same people over and over again who maintain these positions.

very small groups, less doctrinaire approach

Volunteer opportunities that are specifically for 20-30 year old. Once out of college, there is not much attraction for young adults to be involved with the church

We can only inform and hopefully lead people to faith opportunities. Many don't want a relation with other parishioners outside of mass.

welcome gays and lesbians involve women in mas celebrations

when attended - desires less joking (maybe its me)

Q27: There are many reasons why people may not attend church every week. Other than the occasional illness or vacation, please select from the list below the most common reason(s) why you or people you know might not attend church at this parish on any given weekend.

am going through the grieving process and sometimes just have difficulty getting motivated.
ambivalence
Apathy
away on travel
can not answer what someone else is doing or not doing
Children not having a good day
Family member needs attention
Homosexuality and feeling welcomed
i attend weekly unless im ill. i know others do not find it a priority they feel they need to get things done on sunday because they work all week
I feel hurt and neglected for a few weeks after the Veteran's holidays. It frustrates me that our church does not show us respect or gratitude. A few songs is not too much to ask for and I need a couple of weeks to recover.
I only miss when I am sick or on vacation.
I relate to the people who, like me, are always there.
If I might repeat....they LACK that personal attention. Our parishes are almost too big...how many of those attending the Mass know more that two families? Also....we need to meet them where they LIVE....we need a presence where they live and recreate.
It has become routine - somethings Catholics do. People need to be inspired - want to come back to hear more.
kids are not behaving or ill
Lazy *(2 instances)*
Not in the area every weekend
Not really sure , rarely do I miss mass
poor preaching by deacons not priest
Pretty much all of the above for some. I do not have the problems
Staff member’s hostile attitude.
they do not come because they do not see the need of a community .
This may or may not be the place to say this observation. Our parish does have people assigned to greet us as we come in and that does foce welcoming. But my experience is that very few parishioners take the initiative to say hello or introduce themselves or acknowledge me unless I speak first. I do make a point to smile at people and give my name and ask theirs. I usually get a favorable response and sometimes a conversation, but then I may not see them again for quite a while.
vacation or away
we do not miss mass
We have a second home at the beach in Delaware and spend many weekends there, especially in the summer and go to Mass at St Ann's in Bethany Beach.

Q35: In which of the following areas could the parish give you the most support, either now or in the future?
- a way to help others in need
- Care for children with disabilities
- care for the elderly -
- community
- end of life decisions ethical issues
- I don't know. I have never sought any of these out.
I think it more important that I help the parish reach out to those who might need one or more of these supports.:
- Infertility
- Jesus as Lord
- knowing that parish is there its enough
- making single and/or divorced individuals feel welcome
- N/A
- NFP Support
- None
- Not having these issues at this time
- our parish is amazing personal encouragement and direction to get help with problems the parish cannot serve alone
- This lengthy list makes me wonder if the church seeks to do too much. Ultimately church should be primarily about spiritual growth and strengthening relationship with God. If that mission is accomplished the other issues on the list (above) will be less significant
- We need to have min parishes where the people live. Have "mini" places in strip malls for services - meetings - gatherings.

Q37: How would you characterize your experience in contributing your time and talent to the parish?
- again working through the death of my husband, hope to become more engaged in the upcoming year
- contribute when appropriate
- could contribute more if distance wasnt a factor
- Due to my work schedule I contribute my time and talent when I can
- Financially
- I contributed time when I was younger.
- I do not contribute due not able to drive at nighttime
- I finally this year volunteered to help the grounds committee
- I have mixed feelings....I would like to contribute more of my time and talent but live far enough away that I don't have the time. Also...I am very busy with work and the three children AND providing my time and talent to community issues....advocacy for the poor & needy....and time to schools.
- I regularly contribute - would like to contribute more but too busy

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- I teach at a visitation academy would like to help with kitchen or similar program through the parish
- I used to when I had more time available to me
- I would like to see my parish consider the time constraints of working parents activities seem to be accommodated retired, adults with grown children or stay home parent
- ILLNESS / AGE PREVENTS CONTRIBUTING
- I'm 65 and i work full time so my time and energy is very limited. I was making food for the funeral ministry but they stop calling me I don't know why
- It's a matter of priority and right now I'm taking care of my wife, 84, who no longer can handle household chores.
- Ministry fair needs to be improved
- My age and health preclude it
- My parish does offer some time limited opportunities which helps me to get involved - would like more of these
- Not able
- Our distance is the factor
- Retirement is coming and I hope to more fully commit to ministries
- Several attempts to contribute have been unsuccessful
- Slowed down
- Stay with my children often
- Stopped all commitments as I became increasingly discouraged by irreverent atmosphere before Mass and the casual attitude of liturgical participants during Mass.
- Whenever
- Would like to become more involved

Q43: There are many reasons why some parishes might choose or need to work collaboratively with other parishes. Based on your experience, in which of the following areas would it make the most sense to work collaboratively with another parish - to achieve a better experience, higher participation, or cost savings?

- Events at other parishes
- Formation of a Courage Chapter
- Fund for Haiti committee
- I like the way this parish works it's just right
Q44: Do you have any suggestions for other parishes that this parish ought to consider collaborating with?

- ???
- Adult Education / Marriage Retreats / NFP Support Groups and Education
- any christian parish in the Walkersville area.
- As someone who moved to the area almost 10 years ago, I began church shopping and my first stop was St. Tim's. I never went to another church! From that first Sunday Mass, I found the community warm and welcoming, and the parish has become a second family to my husband, kids, and me. Other churches should emulate the feeling that St. Tim's gives.
- Assist with multi-cultural events
- continue daily mass and prayers and offer service when needed
- don't know, haven't been a recent member.
- e need to partner with as many Parishes as possible to show the fact that we are a force in the community that is greater than any of us alone. My test for any denomination is a simple question. If we converted our Church into a casino, would the community, beyond the members, feel any impact as a result of that action? Unless we are a vital force in the community, we are of no value to God, Jesus or our community.
- Encuesta mu larga
- Evangelisation outreach programs, dual or multi-party,
- father murphy is amazing
- Fun activities attendance
- Have parishes participate in events together. Host each other for special events, etc. To get to know each other.
- hold regional euchacistic workshop service
- i do not know the other parishes here in the area I moved here only a few years ago
- i like my parish perfer not to share mass celebration etc it would be nice to utilize priest from the local college and seminary
- i think those who mentioned ministries staff are best to answer this question
i think we should do more collaborating with other parishes specially St Peters in liberty town MD

iam comfortable with my my church and activities

It is common knowledge that the Catholic Church is one of the wealthiest organizations in the world. The Vatican should subsidize all Catholic parishes so they can stop begging for money to keep running. Our weekly donations should go toward the ministries and charities chosen by the parish, not to paying the mortgage or electricity bill of the physical building.

It would be great cross-polination to structure a multi-session religious study series that is hosted in a different parish each session

Katherine Drexel /

Katherine drexel

making sure the deacons not only get the spiritual training they need but the presentation training to their homilies are engaging and complete

My grandchildren belong to another parish but prefer coming to St. Tims - less frustrating here, no quiet feelings. They prefer coming to St. Tims

N/A (2 instances)

no /

No suggestions at this time

No. (5 instances)

No (16 instances)

None /

None I can think of

None.

None (4 instances)

Not at this time (4 instances)

Not really.

Not sure. But uniting to strengthen our growth in the church as disciples. Developing programs to keep the young adults engaged.

Not sure. I do prefer to worship in the parish closest to me, but if another local parish has an exceptional program it might be worth offering to all.

Not that I know of.

other churches in the area (Frederick)( Libertytown)

Our music needs help. Unless it is the 9:45am, it's not inspiring. Can we partner with other parishes for music? What about youth ministry? Our program should be stronger. It's one thing to offer it but some of the kids do not participate or dread going.

outreach ministry that you can actually go and do work on site
Prayer groups / RCIA, Saint Katherine Drexel. seniors should be considered elders. badges maybe SKD Social outreach sorry question is too deep or it just does not make sense.
st katherine drexel St Peters libertytown St Peters / Distance St Peters in Libertytown, St. Catherine Drexel and St. Johns in Frederick. These are pretty close to us. I think being close in proximity would help drive participation in joint functions St Peter's in Libertytown, St. John in Frederick St Peters Libertytown (because of proximity) St peters St. Catherine - Frederick St. Ignatius, St. Peter's St. John Evangelist St. Johns at Westminster - Christmas Bazaar Dec. 5th. - did this parish know about it? Very large, well attended. St. Joseph Taneytown St. Katharine Drexel / St. Peter the Apostle / St. John the Evangelist St. Katherine Drexel is closest in proximity. St. Katherine Drexel St. Mary's, Emmitsburg St. Peter (Libertytown) St. Peter and St. John St. Peter's in Libertytown or St Johns in Frederick St. Peters The RCIA program benefits, in my opinion, best with multiple candidate and Cathecumen. A One program for multiple parishes make sense...
The reason why we chose this parish is because of the warmth and acceptance of the parishioners and because the priest speaks about the gospel and how it relates to our everyday life. I have been to many Catholic churches where the people are more worried about where they are going to sit and how quickly they can get out of mass because the homily does not speak to them. Our parish is the best at all of these things with genuine people and a warm and inviting priest who I feel cares for everyone that walks through the door.

They could learn from our music ministry. Every time I go to another church I say "God bless Linda Lebo." Our music is the best! Maybe we could learn from youth ministry. Because my kids went to Catholic school, the youth ministry lessons are very remedial to my high school kid, She had no desire to go to youth ministry after Confirmation.

Trips for kids in youth ministry could be coordinated with other local parishes.

we are located right next to a baptist church i dont know why we dont combine vocation bible school with them seems so silly and so unchristian

We need to think outside the box - you ask us why people don't come - Ask them! What do they need? We have to offer them what they need. But to ask them - Are we ready to expand??

Yes. Talk more of the blessing deaths and hardships in our country that have happened are happening.

YOUTH Ministry often collaborates with St. Joe's, St. Peter's and St. Katherine Drexel.

youth sport social affairs dances and yard sale

Youth Survey Q6: Race/Ethnic Background

- Italian, Irish, Slovak
- mixed

Youth Survey Q7: Languages spoken at home

- Japones
- South Korean Japanese
- Taglog

Youth Survey Q8: How do you learn about your faith?

- Church (2 instances)
Youth Survey Q9: Which of the following faith-based activities do you participate in?
  - I pray

Youth Survey Q12: What is the one thing you personally could do to follow Jesus more?
  - Attend a catholic school
  - Attend church more than I do
  - Attend more church events
  - Be faithful
  - Be less judgmental & more forgiving
  - Do good things
  - Do right things
  - Evangelize
  - Go to church more often
  - Go to church more
  - Go to church (2 instances)
  - Go to mass more often (2 instances)
  - Go to mass more (2 instances)
  - Go to more youth group activities.
  - I could be more nice to others
  - I could be more open about other’s personalities
  - I could go to church
  - I could help people and pray more often
  - Listening more
  - Obey parents more
  - Pray a little more
  - pray before i go to bed
  - Pray by myself
  - Pray every day for someone in need
  - Pray every day
  - Pray every night before bed
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- Pray every night
- Pray for me
- Pray in the morning
- Pray more often *(5 instances)*
- Pray more *(15 instances)*
- Pray, read the bible
- Pray *(2 instances)*
- Read part of the bible
- Read the Bible more often
- Read the Bible more.
- Read the bible
- Respect others including brothers
- Respect other’s including mothers
- Saying morning prayers
- Serve more and pray
- Share and express my faith with others
- Speak up when people speak against church
- Spend more time praying
- Think more before I speak
- We could pray
- Work on my prayer time

**Youth Survey Q13: What is the one thing your parish could do to help you follow Jesus more?**

- Activities
- Adoration
- Advocate, we do a little advocating around Walkersville
- Be more exciting
- Do more youth group (more than every other week)
- do more service project
- Don't have any sins
- Encourage reading of the Bible.
- Encourage us to go to mass more
Go to church
Go to church
Have adoration
Have more things to do with the family at church
Have someone that you can be with at the church all the time
Have things in summer where we could go outside because winter is too cold
Help me to do more church activities
IDK
I'm good
Implement more fun/socially active activities in meetings
Incourage
Learn more about how to approach someone and share our faith
Let me know when there is events going
Life Teen every week
Make an older kids zone
Make homilies more engaging/interesting
Make homilies more engaging
Make homilies more interesting
Make mass more interactive
More activities
More community activities, generic activities like community field day which welcomes everyone with maybe 1 or 2 faith activities so they can see how we are.
More fun activities
More fun things
More large conferences like steubenville
My parish does a lot but we should do more drives of food and clothing
Not sure actually
Nothing, it is up to me.
Nothing, they have already done so much for me.
Offer food at church
Participate more
Pray more (2 instances)
Pray (2 instances)
Say more prayers
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- Serve
- Speak & talk about god more
- Strongly enforce religion
- Talk about god more
- Talk about Jesus more
- Talk about real problems - abortion, gay marriage
- Teach us new things
- Tell me to pray more
- They’re doing pretty well
- Volunteer
- We could learn about Jesus and God

**Youth Survey Q14:** There are many reasons why people might not attend church. Other than being sick or on vacation, what are the most common reasons why you might not come to church?

- Ashamed
- I am sleeping
- I don’t wake up in time
- I go
- Sleep
- Sleeping

**Youth Survey Q18:** What types of issues are you dealing with at school, with your friends or family, or with your faith that people in the parish might be able to help you with?

- #NAME? (3 instances)
- At school (misbehaving)
- At school being bullied
- Dark secrets
- Dealing with people who are mean or how to help people find God in their own lives
- Girl drama at school. My brother has disability.
- Grades
- Help me pray more /
I am doing fine
I don't have any issues that I need help with.
I have no issues
I have none. /
I honestly have no idea
I struggle to care about school. I have health issues that a teenager shouldn't have to deal with, but I don't have a choice.
I'm good
My cousin passed away in a sinful way and it feels weird
none
Not a lot because people in my school are accepting of one another.
Not sure of the issues but I'm winging it.
Not that the church could never help, but I'm not really having problems of that
Nothing for the right now but thanks
Nothing unless the parish has a French tutor
Peer pressure
Pray more
Sickness
Sin
Since I came from a different school it can be hard to fit in and make good friends
Stress over grades, pressure to go to college
Trust, they can help me by having things to do with edge.
Wanting to come to church, not being forced to go.