

**All Saints Pastoral Parish Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**7:00 PM Assumption Hall**

1. **Opening Prayer** – Led by Andy Gruninger
2. **Acceptance of Agenda** – Moved by Faye Henderson. Seconded by Jim Manzara. Carried.
3. **Review and Acceptance of the Minutes** – It was noted that there was a correction required in the January 2025 Minutes. The word “Mental” needed to be corrected to “Medical” in 4.e. of the Pastor’s Report in the Information area (MAiD). Moved with correction by Cliff Bogdan. Seconded by Shelley Thom. Carried.
4. **Pastor’s Report** – led by Father Kevin
  - a. Adoration/Soup Supper – Adoration at Assumption was well attended on February 18<sup>th</sup> with approximately 65 – 70 people. There will be Adoration and a Soup Supper on March 7<sup>th</sup> and every Friday during Lent.
  - b. Lent/Easter – Ash Wednesday is March 5<sup>th</sup> this year. There will be Masses at various schools as well as Mass at 12:05 PM and 7:00 PM at Assumption and 12:05 PM and 5:00 PM at St. Basil’s. The Easter Triduum will be at Catholic Central West. Again the Altar of Repose on Holy Thursday will be at Assumption. Father Kevin will be in the Northwest Territories with Father Tim. Father Santiago will be here. On Fridays during Lent, at **noon (12:00 PM)** there will be the **Rosary**, at **3:00 PM** will be the **Divine Mercy Chaplet**, at **5:30 PM** will be the **Stations of the Cross**, at **6:00 PM** will be **Soup Suppers**, at **7:15 PM** will be a **teaching**, and at **7:45 PM** there will be the **Benediction**.
  - c. Father Paolo Cervantes – Father Paolo is now the Chaplain at the Lethbridge Regional Hospital. He is also here to help during Lent/Easter as well as at other southern Alberta parishes.
  - d. Maintenance – Two weeks ago started renovations at St. Patrick’s for the new washrooms, however, things have stopped due to finding asbestos.
  - e. Retreat for Men – This retreat will take place for the full day on March 8<sup>th</sup> at Assumption.
  - f. St. Patrick’s Day – There will be Mass at St. Patrick’s at 5:00 PM at St. Patrick’s Church.
  - g. Possible Mass Movement – A motion was made by Joe Prozniak -**MOTION: TO MOVE MASS LOCATIONS TO ACCOMMODATE TUESDAY NIGHT ADORATION. THEREFORE, TUESDAY NIGHT MASS WOULD BE AT ASSUMPTION at 7:00 PM AND THURSDAY 12:05 PM MASS WOULD BE AT ST. BASIL’S - UPON APPROVAL BY THE BISHOP.** Seconded by Aileen Cormican. 1 person opposed, all others approved. **CARRIED.** Adoration is not recommended at St. Basil’s because confessions can be heard due to lack of insulation and sound-proofing. The possibility of this change will go into the parish bulletin.
5. **Renewal Update** – A presentation was made by Dorothy Boras. **See attached Pages**

Discussion followed. Father Santiago indicated that the best way to communicate is by word-of-mouth and talking with people. A reminder that the Renewal is a 5-year plan and is ongoing. Since the survey findings have been presented to the Parish Pastoral Committee, next the committee will have a one page insert placed into the bulletin to share the information to the parish. There will be a planning session inviting all ministries/groups/committees to plan what is needed (an opportunity for the various groups, etc. to share what they would like), then these needs will go to the Diocese.

**6. Committee Updates –**

- a. Needs Mitigation Committee – Nothing to report at this time.
- b. Unity Committee – Nothing to report at this time.
- c. Maintenance Committee – Nothing to report at this time.
- d. New Church Committee - (formerly known as the Building Committee) - All maintenance and further planning have stopped until the outside consultation by the Diocese can recommend what will need to be done at St. Patrick's. Regarding the new church, upon review there will be changes to seating and parking due to the fact that now the church has changed. In 2006 the facility was too large and construction costs have increased. There is still a need to prioritize for programs and meeting spaces, etc. There is a hope that the seating capacity would be expandable. The committee is currently looking at two different designs. Ward Brothers Construction are who the parish are currently working with. Upon review of the changes in circumstances, a parish meeting will be held.

**7. New Business – None at this time**

**8. PPC Teaching – None at this time**

**9. Adjourned –Moved by Len Whyte.**

**10.Future Meeting Dates:**

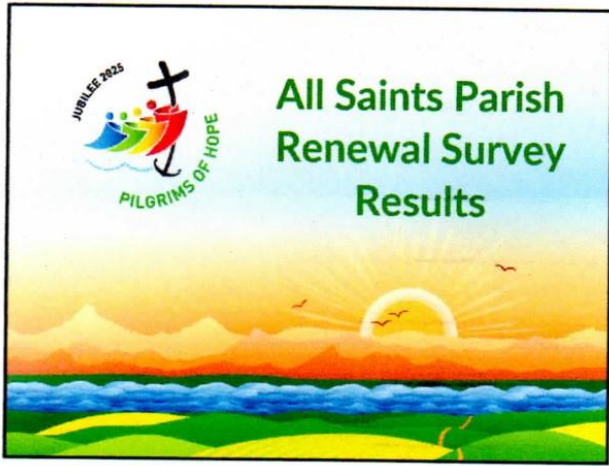
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**April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

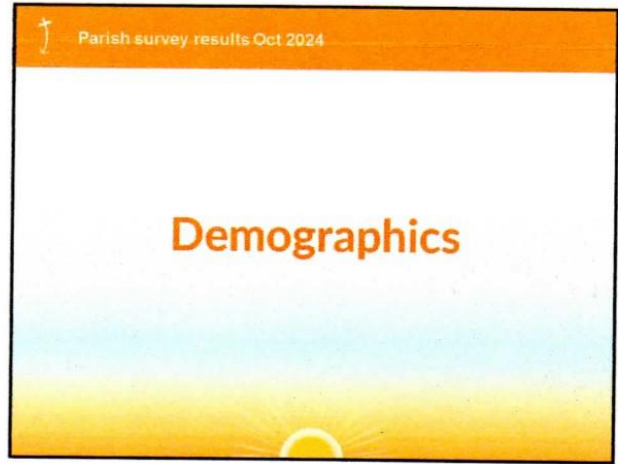
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**June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

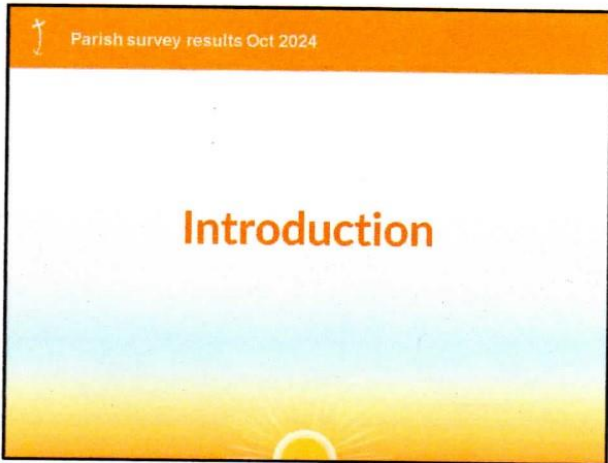
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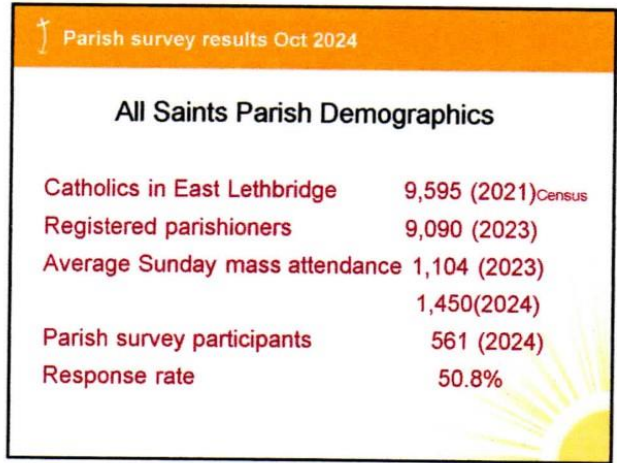
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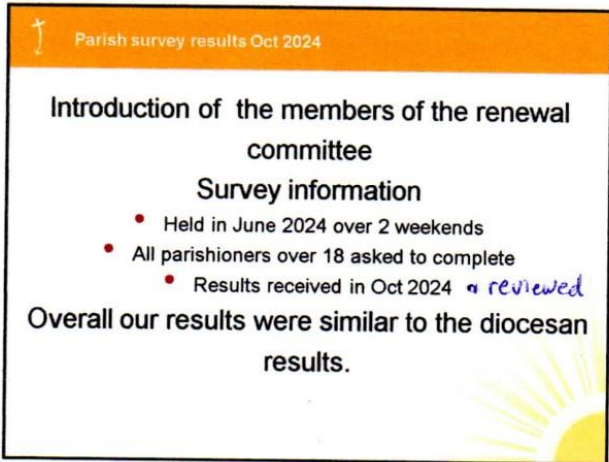
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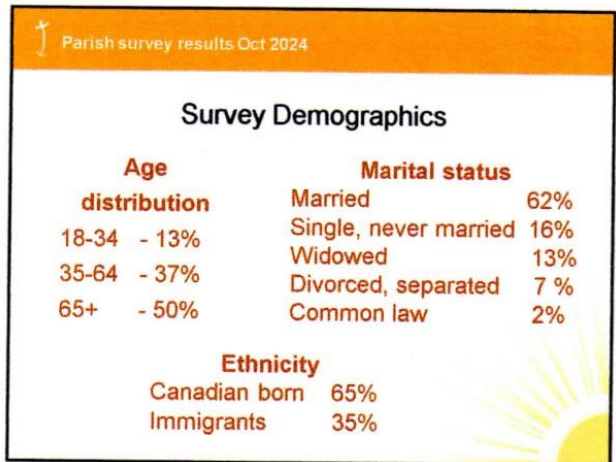
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Committee members:  
 (chair) ✓ Dorothy Boras  
 ✓ Shelley Thom  
 Emma Kerschbaum

✓ Bob Spitzig  
 ✓ Julie Rose  
 Megan Yellen-Steff

Cesar Macabingue  
 ✓ Fr Kevin  
 ✓ Fr Santiago

What surprised, concerned or is positive

Parish survey results Oct 2024

## Our Faith Journey

You will notice our numbers look good, but they really don't mean a lot, they are just starting points for where can we do better.

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

### Success

Our parishioners grow in their faith with devotions and reading scripture.

### Areas of Growth

Over 50% of those surveyed don't attend retreats, missions and bible studies. Who is the 50% and why don't they come to what is offered?

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

### Catholic Devotions: Rosary, Divine Mercy, Adoration etc

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Occas	Never
All Saints	29%	13%	8%	36%	13%
Diocese	29%	14%	7%	37%	14%

### Reading Scripture

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Occas	Never
All Saints	27%	17%	5%	32%	19%
Diocese	25%	20%	5%	33%	17%

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

## Pastoral Priority # 1

### Form Missionary Disciples

### Word and Worship

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Parish survey Results Oct 2024

### Retreat and Missions

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Occas	Never
All Saints	0%	1%	1%	43%	55%
Diocese	1%	2%	2%	46%	50%

### Bible Study or Small Group Faith Sharing

	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Occas	Never
All Saints	1%	8%	5%	28%	58%
Diocese	2%	10%	6%	30%	52%

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Parish survey Results Oct 2024

### Priest(s) give homilies that help me recognize how God is working in my life


	All Saints	Diocese
Agree	90%	85%
Unsure	6%	9%
Disagree	2%	3%

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Our parish educates parishioners in the Catholic faith.**

	All Saints	Diocese
Agree	77%	84%
Unsure	11%	10%
Disagree	1%	3%




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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Our parish includes individuals of diverse ages in ministries and leadership roles**

	All Saints	Diocese
Agree	76%	77%
Unsure	16%	16%
Disagree	4%	4%




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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Success**  
We receive good homilies from our priests.

**Areas of Growth**  
What opportunities are there for us to encourage more education about our faith in our parish?  
Do parishioners know what faith education is offered in our parish?




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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Our parish promotes vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life**


	All Saints	Diocese
Agree	83%	67%
Unsure	13%	27%
Disagree	2%	3%



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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Pastoral Priority # 1**  
**Form Missionary Disciples**  
**Leadership & Stewardship**




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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Success**  
Our parish does a good job of promoting vocations.

**Areas of Growth**  
We still need more vocations. Where are they?  
*How can we include individuals of ages in our ministries?  
Personal invitations?*



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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Pastoral Priority # 2**  
**Church of Encounter and Witness**  
**Witness: Service & Outreach**

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Success**  
 Our parishioners recognize that we are active in our community

**Areas of Growth**

- We need to recognize where we are active in our wider community. Where can we be more active?
- We need more communication about opportunities to share our faith in the wider community.

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Our parish has an active presence in the wider community**

	All Saints	Diocese
Agree	59%	61%
Unsure	30%	30%
Disagree	9%	5%

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Pastoral Priority # 3**  
**Strengthen Family Life**  
**Community**

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**I regularly take part in parish activities that reach out to a wider community**

	All Saints	Diocese
Agree	33%	40%
Unsure	35%	30%
Disagree	30%	27%

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Our parish welcomes families to sacramental life (ie. Baptism, 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation, 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist, Confirmation, RCIA, Marriage)**

	All Saints	Diocese
Agree	87%	90%
Unsure	9%	7%
Disagree	1%	1%

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Our parish engages families and youth meaningfully( liturgical celebrations and parish ministries)**

	All Saints	Diocese
Agree	73%	72%
Unsure	23%	21%
Disagree	5%	8%

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Any Questions?**

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Parish survey results Oct

**Our parish accompanies people at all stages of life**

	All Saints	Diocese
Agree	75%	74%
Unsure	18%	19%
Disagree	7%	6%

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Conclusion**

All Saints Parish exhibits a strong traditional faith practice but communications of what we are doing and what we are offering needs help.

There is room for growth in our faith formation, evangelization and family faith support.

By focusing on personal spiritual growth as well as our communal faith growth we can form missionary disciples, be a church of encounter and witness and strengthen the family.

In the area of communications, it is not just a message we need to get out but also the personal invitation, one child of God to another.

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Parish survey results Oct 2024

**Success**

We engage and accompany our parishioners well.

**Areas of Growth**

Can we invite families to participate more in the Sacramental life?

We need to communicate better what is offered in our parish. People don't know what is happening in our parish.

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