

LANE COVE PARISH SURVEY REPORT

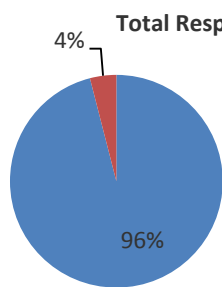
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PARISH CONTEXT

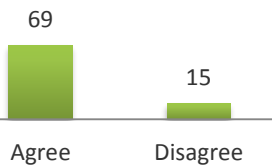


Pope Francis has given a tall order to the Church today. He's called the Church to be a family and not a private club, a garden rather than a museum, and a field hospital in the midst of the human family. The pope's call is not his own. It is an echo of the Lord Jesus' own summons to the Church to care for humanity and to share the Good News. Sydney's neighbourhoods are changing! Fresh demographic data helps to identify both the needs and the missionary opportunities in the local parish, and the ways in which a parish might be strengthened by collaboration with other Parishes. This report provides feedback on the survey responses for the **Parish of St Michael, Lane Cove**

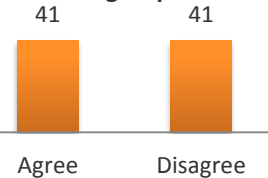


■ Individual response
■ Group response

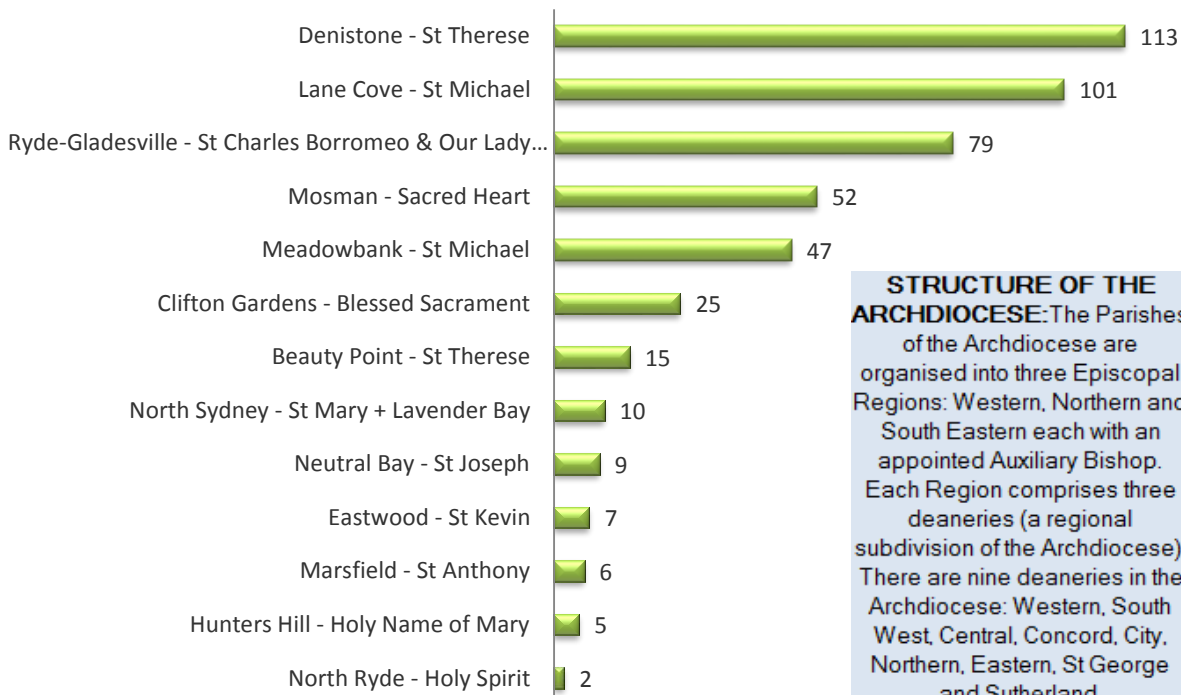
I have a strong sense of belonging to this Parish



I am regularly involved in Parish group activities



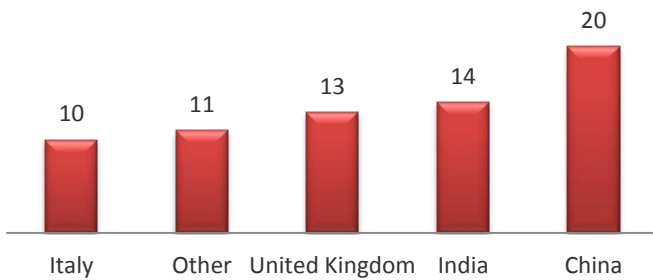
Parishes of the Northern Deanery (Response Rate)



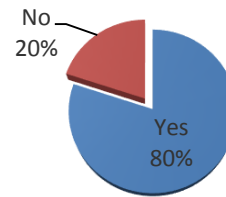
STRUCTURE OF THE ARCHDIOCESE: The Parishes of the Archdiocese are organised into three Episcopal Regions: Western, Northern and South Eastern each with an appointed Auxiliary Bishop. Each Region comprises three deaneries (a regional subdivision of the Archdiocese). There are nine deaneries in the Archdiocese: Western, South West, Central, Concord, City, Northern, Eastern, St George and Sutherland.

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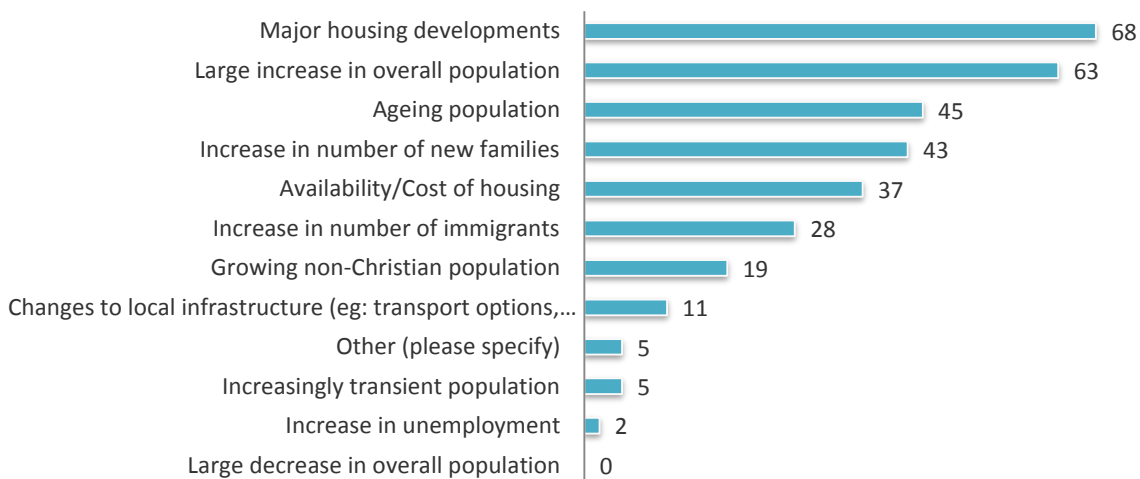
Ethnic Communities named for this Parish (Top 5)



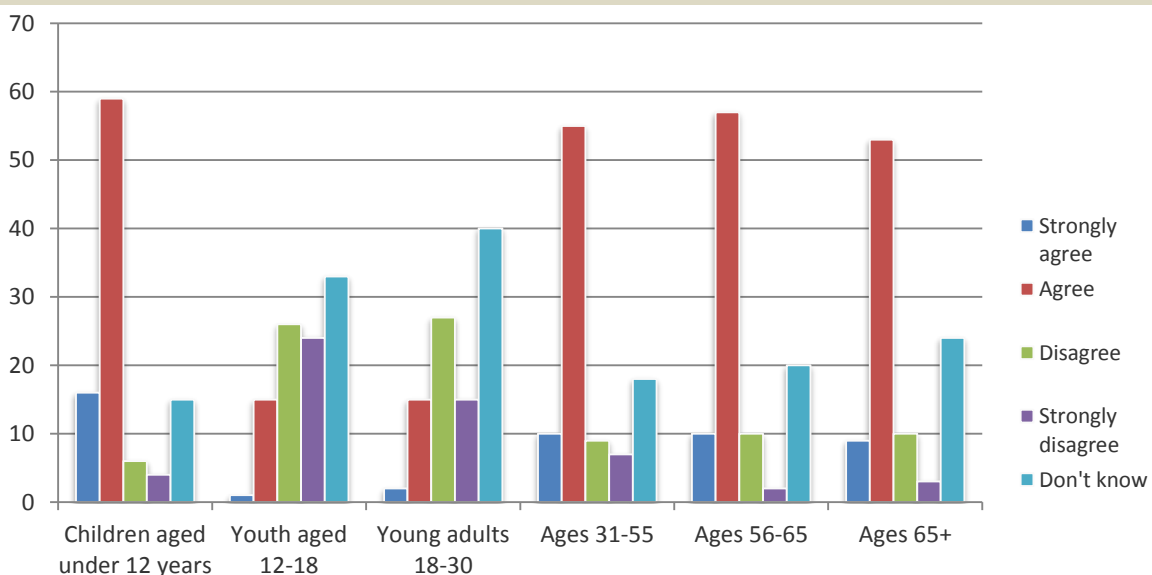
The membership of Parishes in this Deanery reflects the variety of people who live there?



Significant demographic or societal changes which have or will impact this Parish



This Parish offers ministries and activities which meet the needs of the following age groups.



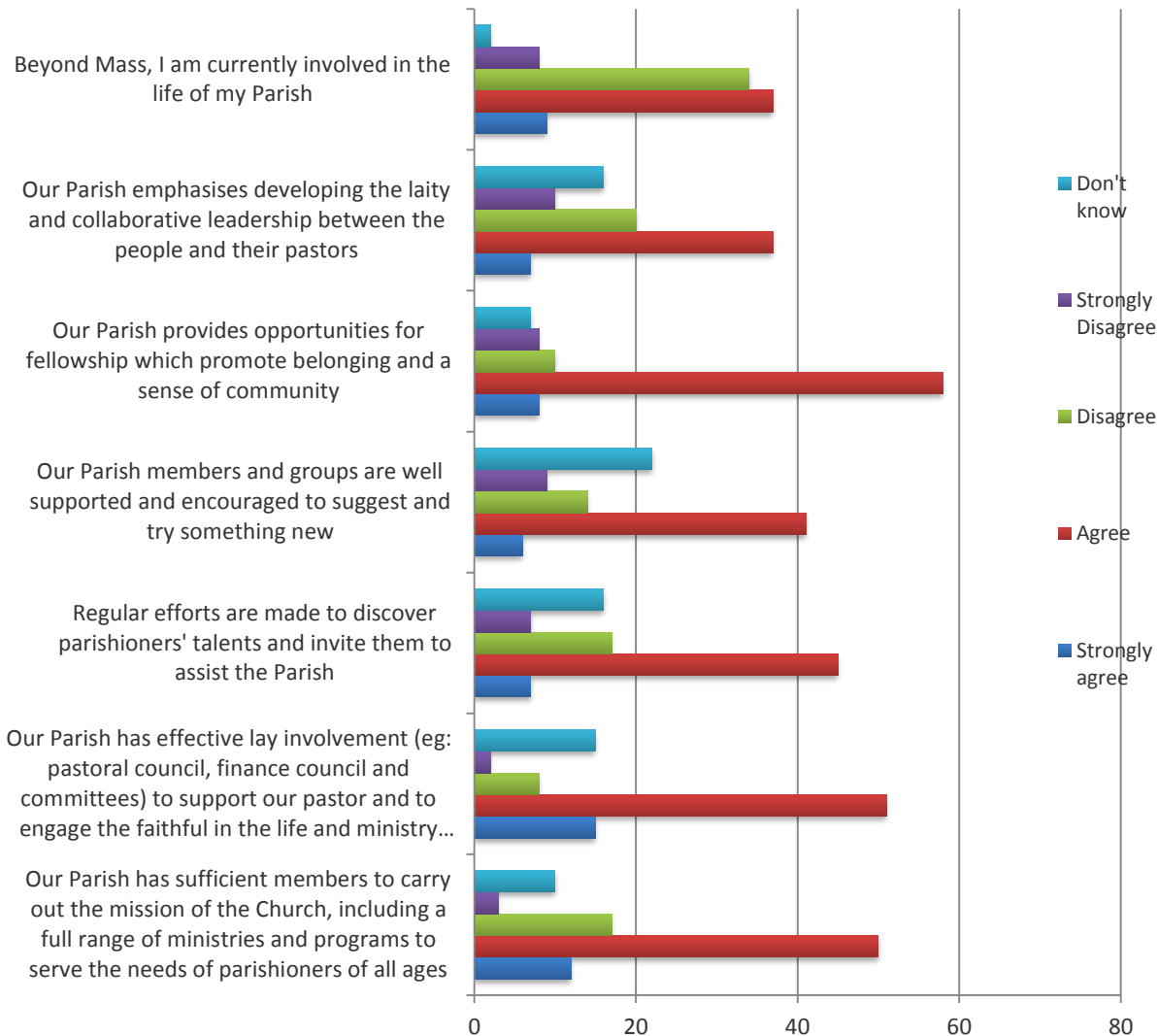
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RESOURCES

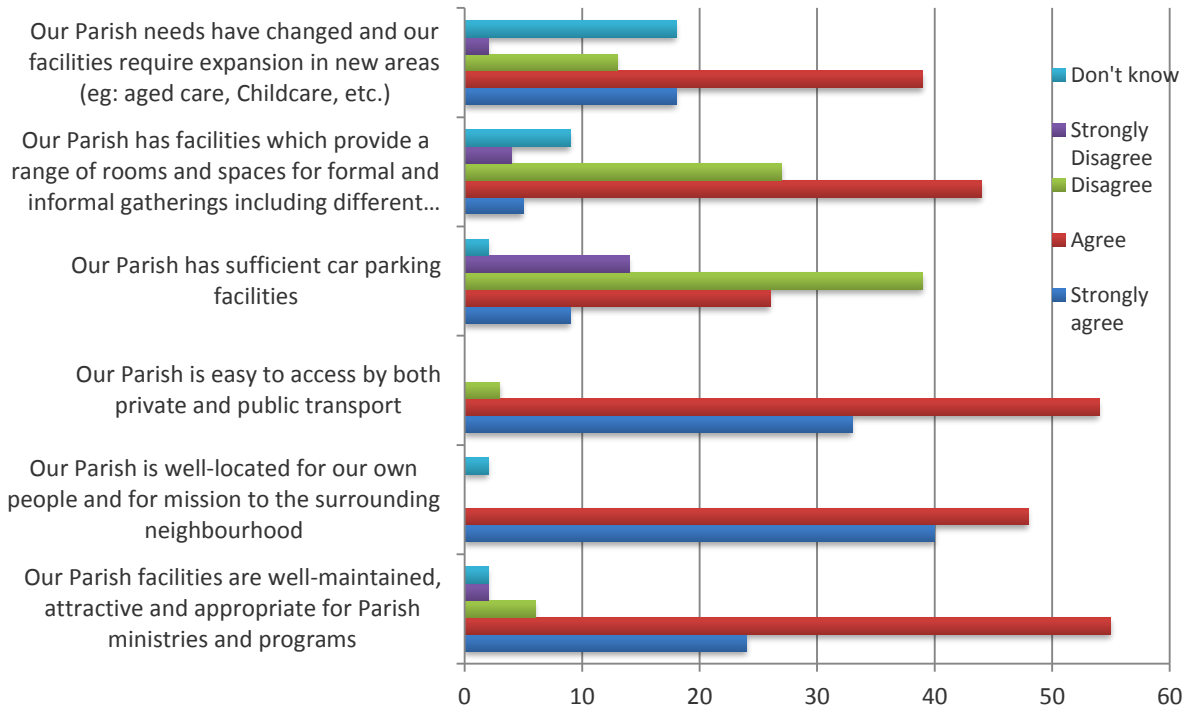
God has made us 'stewards' of His many gifts. Stewardship can be defined as making the most responsible use of these gifts and resources for the good of all. For the lay faithful, it involves the sharing of individual time, talent and treasure as well as the commitment of communal resources (human, material, finances, etc.) in service of the community.

STEWARDSHIP OF PEOPLE - Level of Agreement with Statements

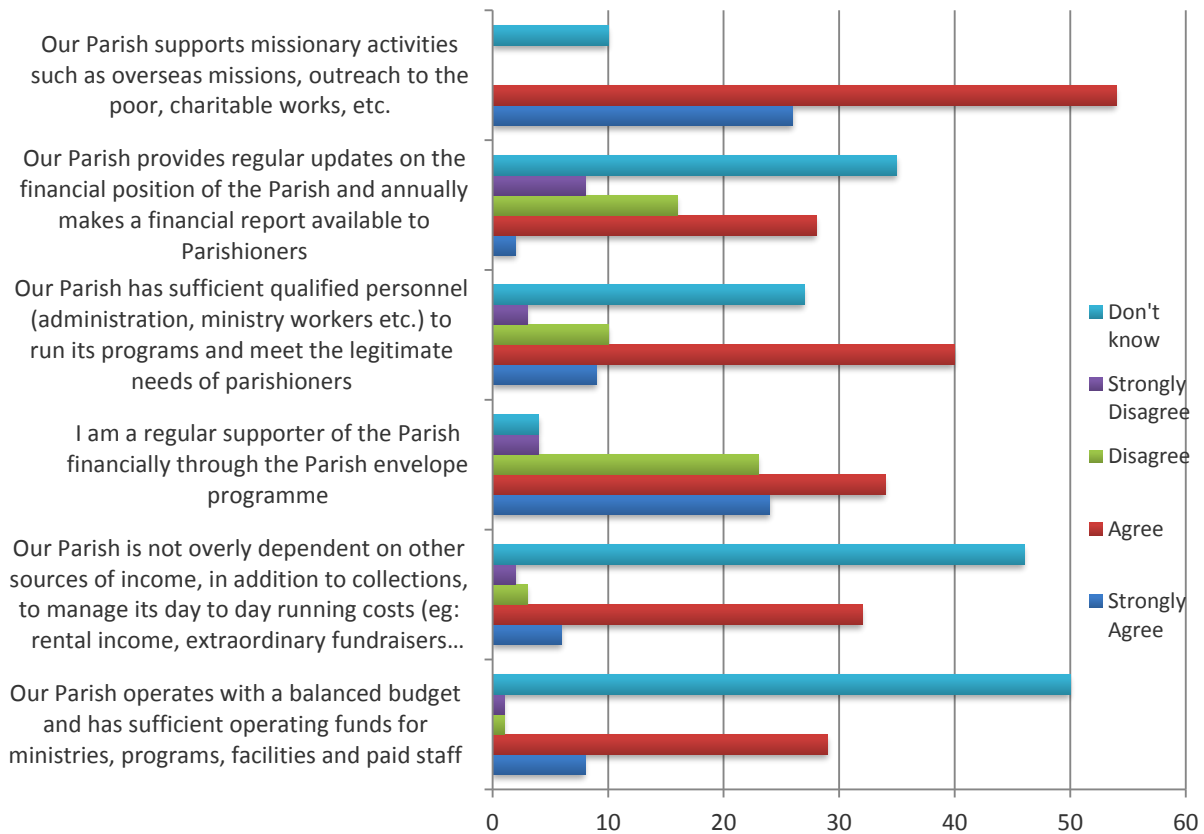


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STEWARDSHIP OF FACILITIES - Level of agreement with each statement



STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCES - Level of agreement with each statement

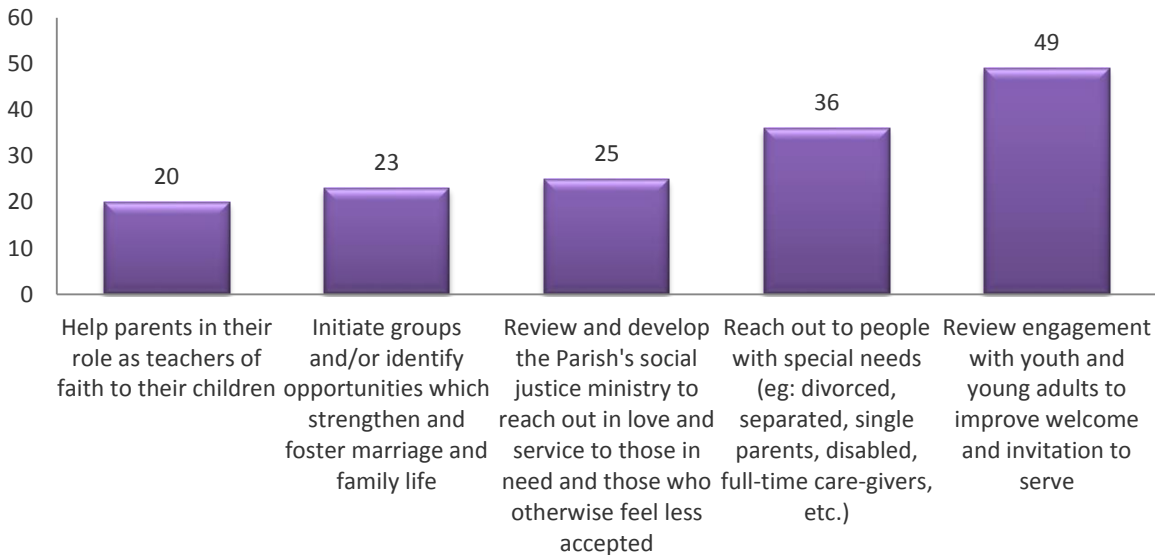


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MISSION PRIORITIES



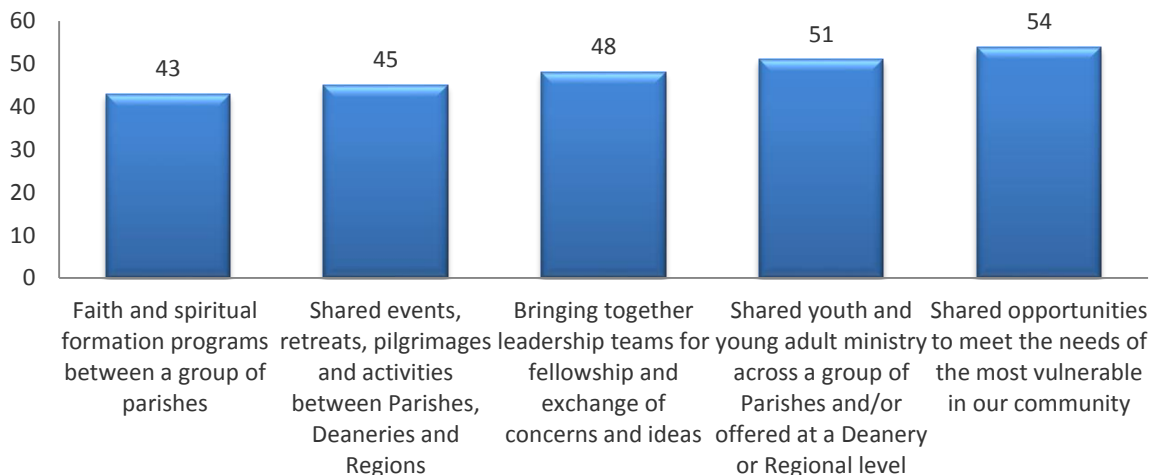
Experience and research shows that parishes only remain strong and vital when they are outward looking, welcoming, and consciously seeking to invite others to share our faith in Christ. This is the mission of every parish. But each Parish must identify the priorities relevant to mission in its particular neighbourhood. What do the Parishes of his Deanery need to be and to do in order to draw people to Christ? Where should their focus be? What particular strengths do the parishes bring to the Church's evangelising mission?



COLLABORATIONS

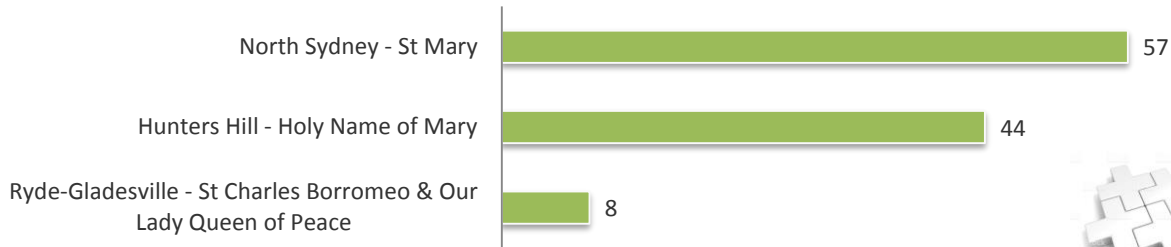


The independence and unique style of individual Parishes and pastors provides diversity and flexibility for the Church's mission across Sydney. However, changing neighbourhoods, ageing communities, and run-down facilities make it difficult for some smaller parishes to maintain their vitality and missionary outreach. Collaborations between parishes can strengthen communities, minimise duplication in pastoral life and activity, and enable parishes to be more effective, despite their limited resources. How might the Parishes of this Deanery work more closely- and with whom? How might the people of the Parishes share their gifts and resources to provide more effective pastoral care and outreach to the broader community?



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Suggested Parish Collaborations



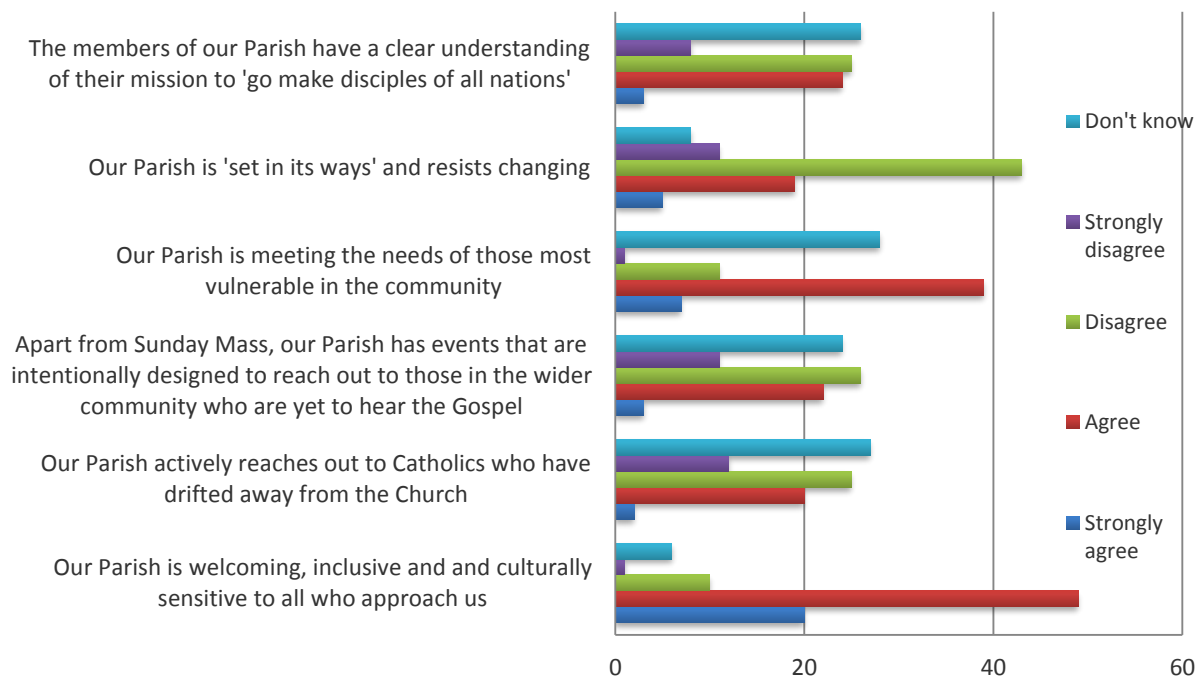
THE NEW EVANGELISATION

Today, vital parishes are re-discovering the call to evangelise - that is, to reach out to those who have not heard of Christ, or those who have, but have given up the practice of the faith. Vital parishes are discovering that the more proactively they engage the call to positively witness to the goods news of God's saving love, the stronger they become as faith filled communities.

How does the local neighbourhood learn about the local Parish?

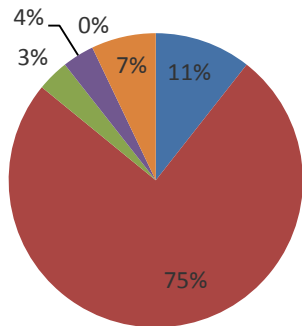


Level of agreement with the following statements:

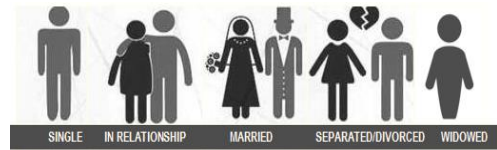


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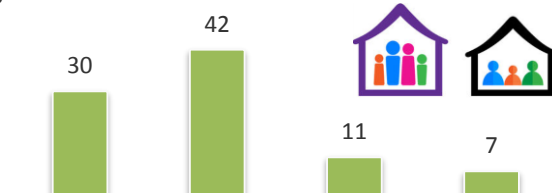
WHO COMPLETED THIS SURVEY ACROSS THE DEANERY



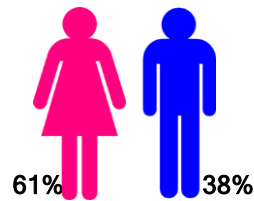
- Single, never married
- Married
- In de facto relationship
- Widowed
- Separated



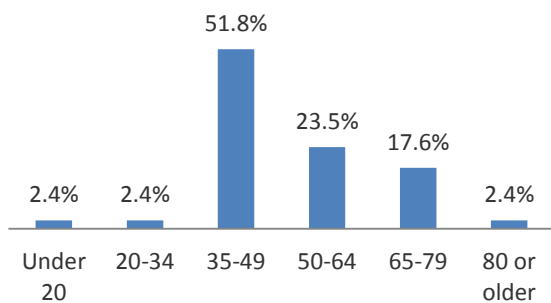
Do you have children living at home?



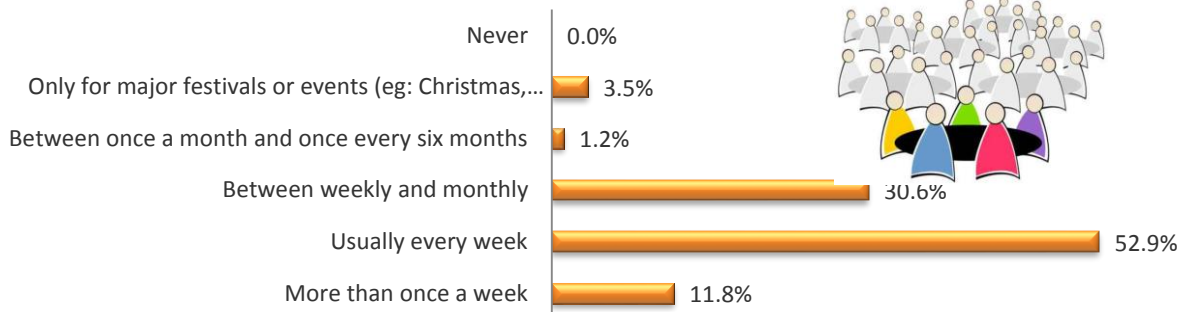
No, I have no children living at home
 Yes, aged 12 or younger
 Yes, aged 13-18
 Yes, aged 19 or older



Age of Respondents



Mass attendance Responses



Eight Parishioners have indicated that they would like to participate in the next phase of consultation which will take the shape of Deanery focus groups. Please encourage parishioners to consider this and be in touch parish2020@sydneycatholic.org with their contact details (Parish name and suburb, their full name, email and preferred phone contact)

For assistance please email us: parish2020@sydneycatholic.org or phone us on 9390 5233

