



Synod Feedback Form

NAME OF PARISH	NAME OF PASTORAL GROUPING
Church of the Nativity of Our Lord Beaumont, Dublin	Beaumont
VENUE OF GATHERINGS	IN PERSON OR ZOOM
Parish Pastoral Centre Montrose Close Beaumont	In Person
NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS (1 st Gathering)	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS (2 nd Gathering)
22	17

THE JOYS

WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND CONVERGE?	No.	WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND DIVERGE?	No.
Sacraments		Prayer(Healing recieved in prayer)	1
Experience of the Sacraments (Partaking in the Sacraments/ Witnessing the next generation partake in the sacraments)	15	Welcome	1
Daily Mass	2	Beauty/Nature	1
Liturgical Music	2	Faith Formation	
Reverence	1	Local Identity	1
Confession	1	Hope that following God'd commands lead to reasonable expectation of salvation	1
Special Celebrations of Mass (Mass attendance/Liturgy at Christmas/Easter)	7	Heresy and Heterodoxy being rooted out naturally by people not going to liberal parishes	1
Baptism of Family	2		
First Holy Communion	4		
Devotions and Practices			
Adoration	1		
Rosary	1		
Lighting Candles/Shrines	1		
Divine Mercy Devotion/ Faith in the Divine Mercy	1		

The Church and the Parish Community	
Good Community	9
The Catholic Church (universality/perseverance through ages/being part of the Church/Body of Christ/giving purpose in life)	5
Gift of Faith	2
Faith of Immigrants(encouraging/ Inspiring)	3
Trust/Hope in God that all will be well with the Church	4
Mission of the Church	1
Local Identity	1
Leadership	
Good priestly leadership(Young priests/ Inspiration and encouragement from the parish priests)	4
Pope Francis	2
Commitment of Volunteers	4
Young people returning to the Church	3

THE SORROWS

WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND CONVERGE?	No.	WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND DIVERGE?	No.
Faith Formation		Lack of Involvement of Women in Leadership	1
No Adult faith formation	5		
Lack of Formation for children	3	No Service to the poor	1
Lack of passing on the faith among adult children to their children	2		
No baptisms in families	1	Banal Liturgies	1
Future of the Church	1		
Community and Commitment		Pushing orthodox young people away	1
Lack of Strong/Loving Community	2		
Lack of Altar Servers	1	Wrong foundations of reasoning(wrong ideas of freedom	1

		and truth)	
Lack of Mens groups	1		
		No Evangelisation zeal	1
Leadership			
Priests/Bishops promoting or allowing anti catholic teachings.	3	Lack of compassion and reaching out to people who have been divorced and remarried and LGBT	1
Timid Heirarchy in the face of media and public attacks on the Church	2		
Vocations		Wrong image of God(Fearful)	1
Lack of Vocations to Priesthood/Religious life	5		
Visibility of priests and Religious(in dress)	1	No Masses for Children	1
Declining Faith			
Declining faith and practice of the Faith	3		
Lack of the youth at the Church	3		
Lack of participation of the Laity	1		
Lack of attendance at mass and sacraments	2		
Pushing out of the Church in educational institutions	1		
Young people drawn away due to peer pressure	1		
Abuse Scandals			
Abuse of Children and others	3		
Scandals and Leadership response. Slow response towards survivors and lack of justice towards offending clergy.	4		
Lost faith due to abuse and response	1		
Clergy sex abuse coverup	3		

THE HOPES

WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND CONVERGE?	No.	WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND DIVERGE?	No.
Leadership		Liberalism and Corruption in Vatican and Dioceses will be rooted out.	1
Pope Francis	3		
Hope of a unified heirarchy standing agaিসnt secularism and political	2	Hope of Transparency(Confidence of laity in leaders of the Church)	1
Youth		Remnant of Catholic Values in Society/Hope of Discussion of faith and catholic values in society	1
Goodwill of youth (stepping stone to formation)	1		
Evangelisation of young people/ young people returning to faith	6		
Orthodoxy, Desire for holiness and return to basics (philosophical and theological tradition) among youth	3	Humanitarian Response to Ukraine	1
Evangelisation		Hope of church services for all age groups	1
Renewal programme in this parish	1		
Young priests and nuns	2		
Foreign priest evangelising	1	Observed Reverence to Eucharist	1
Formation			
Adult Faith formation	1		
Hope of Training Leaders	1		
Faith formation of children/children sharing faith stories	2		
Community			
Generational mix at mass	2		
Church groups	1		
Hope of small groups in building community	1		
Hope of Active participation of people at mass and other Church activities	2		
Open Church welcoming everyone	1		
Faith & The Catholic Church			
Universality of the Church			
Perseverance of the Faith (People and the Church)	2		
Faith of Immigrants (re-evangelisation)	3		
Presence of the Holy Spirit in the Church	2		

THE FEARS

WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND CONVERGE?	No.	WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND DIVERGE?	No.
Youth	2	Synodal process being interfered with at higher levels of the Clergy	
Lack of youth involvement	1		
No groups for teenagers to share faith stories	1	Loss of Tradition (Latin Mass etc.)	
Public perception of the Church	13		
Political and media and societal bias against the Church	7	Churches closing down	
Lack of involvement of women in higher positions in the Church	3		
People leaving the Church	2	No mass in the future	
Extreme secularism	1		
Faith Formation	7	Lack of loving community	
Lack of faith formation	2		
Bad (or lack of) formation of children in schools	2	Decline of interest in social and economic issues	
Confusion on Church teachings	1		
Negative influence of social media	1		
Attachment to earthly things	1		
Leadership	8		
Heirarchy not standing up for the Faith	3		
Lack of serious faith in heirarchy	1		
Churches closed during two easters	1		
Clericalism	1		
Anti Catholic agenda among Church leaders	1		
Church acting like an NGO	1		
Evangelisation	4		
lack of evangelisation	1		
Lack of undersdanding of evangelisation	1		

Not reaching out to minority groups	1	
Church not being open to people	1	
Priests and Vocations	8	
Lack of priests and religious vocations	4	
Married priests	2	
Lack of discussion on Women priestesses	1	
Burn out among priests	1	

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

WHAT THEMES ARE EMERGING FROM THE GATHERING?

- The main theme of joy is people's experience of the Sacraments especially the Mass, followed by an experience of Community. The presence/encouragement of the local priests was also a source of joy.
- The main theme of sorrow was a lack of faith in people (lack of faith formation, lack of vocations and a failure to pass on the faith). A lack of vocations was also mentioned.
- The main source of hope was the evangelisation of young people and them returning to the faith.
- The main themes in the fears section were related to lack of faith formation, organised cultural bias against the Church and poor/weak leadership of the Church.

WHAT MIGHT THE HOLY SPIRIT BE INDICATING IN THIS?

The parish council felt that the Holy Spirit might be asking the parish to focus on –

1. Community Building
2. Faith formation of both adults and children.
3. Reverence during Mass

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