

PARISH NAME: Saint Mary Catholic Church PARISH CITY: Seneca, Missouri

How many consultation sessions were held at the parish? 1

On what date(s) was the session held? 19 April 2022

About how many participants attended? 10

How were invitations issued? Bulletin announcements and word of mouth

How did you invite and connect with those at risk of being excluded or those on the peripheries?
Personal, face to face invitations

Were there any groups of people whose participation was especially noteworthy and why? Parish Council because none of the other laypeople wanted to go.

Were there specific groups of people who did not participate and why (if known) did they not participate? No one had issue with having the meeting, no one felt interested enough to attend.

Through the consultation session, what were some of the positive descriptions of how the Church is journeying with people to "grow in holiness"? N/A

What were some of the challenges, disappointments, or frustrations conveyed, in describing how the Church journeys together to "grow in holiness"? The only frustration was that no one felt it was necessary and chose to not go.

What were some of the positive descriptions of how the Church is "forming intentional disciples"? There was call for more personal involvement with people to try and get them interested in volunteering. The same few laypeople do all the volunteering. Even the parish council is made up of the only people who will continue to volunteer.

What were some of the challenges, disappointments, or frustrations conveyed, in describing how the Church journeys together to “form intentional disciples”? N/A

What were some of the positive descriptions of how the Church is responding to the commission of: “being sent forth to witness”? N/A

What were some of the challenges, disappointments, or frustrations conveyed, in describing how the Church is responding to the commission of: “being sent forth to witness”? N/A

During the overall consultation process, what dispositions, attitudes, or feeling were notable?
Frustration with COVID restrictions as a reason for less discipleship.

What tensions or disagreements emerged from the listening process? None.

What was significant, surprising or unexpected during the consultation session? Lack of attendance.

What new perspectives or horizons opened up? N/A

What were the fruits that the Holy Spirit brought about through this experience? None noted

What did participants have to say about areas where the Church or your parish is in need of healing and conversion in its spiritual life, culture, attitudes, structures, pastoral practices, relationships, and missionary outreach? N/A

What dreams, desires, and aspirations for the Church were expressed by participants? N/A

NOTE: Unfortunately the meeting was plagued by technical difficulties with accessing the Synod webpage. We were unable to complete every question and had to work primarily from memory. I attempted to organize another, more thorough meeting, but no one showed interest.