



Summary

Parish Survey Results

Number of partly or completely filled questionnaires received:	674	
Number of completely blank questionnaires received:	43	
Number of completely illegible questionnaires received:	1	
Number of people who stated that they were from Kilrush parish:	435	(65%)
Number of people who believed this to be a useful exercise:	80	(12%)*

** Only the people at the 12pm Mass were asked this question - verbally. Those who agreed were asked to mark their questionnaire with a large X.*

N.B. All percentage (%) figures are based on the total number of questionnaires which were either partly or completely filled in. Also, percentage figures have been rounded up or down to the nearest whole number. As such, the percentage totals will sometimes add up to 99% or 101%.

Our priests should be allowed to concentrate explicitly on pastoral duties, such as liturgies, visitations and administering the Sacraments:

Disagree	49	7%
Partly Agree	161	24%
Completely Agree	398	59%
Don't know/Blank	66	10%

The laity should come forward to help with non-pastoral duties such as finances, boards of management, parish buildings etc:

Disagree	24	4%
Partly Agree	130	19%
Completely Agree	457	68%
Don't know/Blank	63	9%

Faith formation is important, and people need an opportunity to nurture a mature, Christian faith. We need parish programmes aimed at those who are committed, those who are still searching and those who may be looking to come back to the Church:

Disagree	10	1%
Partly Agree	115	17%
Completely Agree	456	68%
Don't know/Blank	93	14%

We need to review the Diocesan Pastoral Plan of 2004 and implement those recommendations which are realistic and workable within our own parish:

Disagree	9	1%
Partly Agree	115	17%
Completely Agree	352	52%
Don't know/Blank	198	29%

We need to be more inclusive to non-national communities eg: Polish, Latvians etc. One Sunday a month, we could celebrate an International Mass where the common prayers of the Church could be recited in Latin:

Disagree	48	7%
Partly Agree	142	21%
Completely Agree	402	60%
Don't know/Blank	82	12%

We need to closely look at all the sacraments and ask ourselves if we are preparing for them and ministering them in the best way possible:

Disagree	17	3%
Partly Agree	137	20%
Completely Agree	416	62%
Don't know/Blank	104	15%

What is *the* most important thing that we must do in our parish over the next 5 years?

436 people responded	65%
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What would you like to see continued in the parish, and why?

358 people responded	53%
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What would you like to see changed in the parish, and why?

307 people responded	46%
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What new things would you like to see happening in the parish, and how could they be brought about?

283 people responded	42%
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Is there anything happening in the parish which should be stopped, or phased out, and why?

276 people responded	41%
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