

2024/2025 DYFF Annual Parish Survey

Thank you for participating in the annual survey of the Department of Youth Faith Formation in the Archdiocese of New York. Your feedback is essential for understanding trends and planning for the future.

Ideally, one person from your parish should complete the survey for all the grades (early childhood to high school youth ministry). However, if multiple people are completing the survey (e.g. the DRE and Youth Minister), put 'zero' in for the areas you are not responsible for. Most questions require an answer.

If you are a merged parish with more than one location for faith formation, please add the data from all locations and enter into the survey.

If you oversee parish faith formation in multiple churches that are not merged, please enter in information for each parish separately.
This survey will take approximately 10 minutes to fill out, providing you have the information needed. It is best to prepare by downloading a copy of the survey, completing it on paper and then come back here to input.

[Here is a copy of the survey to print.](#)

It is possible to stop and complete the report at another time, provided that you use the *same* computer with the same IP address. If you wish to do so, please bookmark this page.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you are part of a recently merged parish but both parishes are listed, choose the name of one of the parishes to do your report under. In the section for YOUR name, please also include the name of the other parish(es) that were part of the merger.

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* In what county is your parish located?

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Reporter

* What is your name?

* What is your position in the parish?

- ☐ Youth Minister
- ☐ Pastor
- ☐ Deacon
- ☐ Director/Coordinator of Religious Education
- ☐ Parish Secretary
- ☐ Other (please specify)

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Catechists and Youth Minister Formation

Please answer each question. Type a zero when appropriate.

How many of your catechists are taking formation courses?

How many of your catechists have completed their formation courses?

How many of your youth ministry team members are taking formation courses?

How many of your youth ministry team members have *completed* their formation courses?

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Fees

Please answer each question. Type a zero when appropriate.

How much do you charge for the following for religious education?

parishioners for one
child/youth?

non-parishioners for
one child/youth?

parishioners for the
family?

non-parishioners for
the family?

What is the book fee, if
any?

How much do you charge for the following for youth ministry?

parishioners for one
child/youth?

non-parishioners for
one child/youth?

parishioners for the
family?

non-parishioners for
the family?

What is the book fee, if
any?

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Demographics

What are the approximate percentage of ethnic background of your children and youth?
(OPTIONAL)

- Items should add up to 100
- Leave no line blank
- Do NOT use % sign

Native

American/Alaskan

Indigenous

Asian

Black/African

American

Hispanic/Latino

Native

Hawaiian/Pacific

Islander

White

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Early Childhood Ministry

Please answer each question. Type a zero when appropriate.

* What is the number of children aged 3 in your early childhood ministry?

* What is the number of children aged 4 in your early childhood ministry?

* What is the number of children aged 5 in your early childhood ministry?

* How many adults help children aged 3-5 in your early childhood ministry?

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Faith Formation

Please answer each question. Type a zero when appropriate.

* How many children do you have in

Kindergarten	<input type="text"/>
Grade 1	<input type="text"/>
Grade 2	<input type="text"/>
Grade 3	<input type="text"/>
Grade 4	<input type="text"/>
Grade 5	<input type="text"/>

* How many catechists and assistants help in each of the following grades?

Kindergarten	<input type="text"/>
Grade 1	<input type="text"/>
Grade 2	<input type="text"/>
Grade 3	<input type="text"/>
Grade 4	<input type="text"/>
Grade 5	<input type="text"/>

* How many youth do you have in

Grade 6	<input type="text"/>
Grade 7	<input type="text"/>
Grade 8	<input type="text"/>
Grade 9	<input type="text"/>
Grade 10	<input type="text"/>
Grade 11	<input type="text"/>
Grade 12	<input type="text"/>

* How many catechists, assistants, and youth ministry team members help in each of the following grades?

Grade 6

Grade 7

Grade 8

Grade 9

Grade 10

Grade 11

Grade 12

* Which of the following publishers do you use as textbooks/resources in children's/youth faith formation?

☐

Pflaum Publishing

☐

Loyola Press

☐

Our Sunday Visitor

☐

Sadlier

☐

RCL Benziger

☐

Ignatius Press

☐

None

☐

Other (please specify)

* What languages are used in your children's/youth faith formation? (Select all that apply.)

☐

English Only

☐

English/Spanish

☐

Spanish Only

☐

English and Other

☐

Spanish and Other

☐

What is the other language(s)?

* Does your faith formation use released time?

☐

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Released Time Details

* How many children/youth use released time?

* What days of the week are for released time?

- ☐ Monday
- ☐ Tuesday
- ☐ Wednesday
- ☐ Thursday
- ☐ Friday

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Youth Ministry

* How often does your youth ministry meet?

- ☐ Daily
- ☐ Weekly
- ☐ Monthly
- ☐ Seasonally
- ☐ There is no youth ministry at our parish
- ☐ Other (please specify)

* What types of youth ministry do you provide youth? (Select all that apply)

- ☐ Classroom
- ☐ Small Group
- ☐ Bible Study
- ☐ Service
- ☐ Lifeteen
- ☐ Social
- ☐ Sports
- ☐ Liturgy
- ☐ Faith Topics
- ☐ Retreats
- ☐ There is no youth ministry at our parish
- ☐ Other (please specify)

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Special Needs

Please answer each question. Type a zero when appropriate.

* How many children/youth do you have in faith formation and youth ministry with

Learning Disabilities?

Developmental
Disabilities?

Physical Disabilities?

Autism?

* Does your faith formation and youth ministry assist the needs of the children/youth with disabilities by providing

☐ Inclusion Classrooms?

☐ Special Sessions?

☐ One-on-one Sessions?

☐ Other (please specify)