



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

	No Children at Home	Children at Home
Number of surveys completed	210	273

**No Children
at Home** **Children
at Home**

You and Your Parish

1. How often do you go to Mass at this parish?

This is my first time	<1%	1%
Hardly ever or special occasions only	2%	0%
Less than once a month	1%	2%
Once a month	1%	1%
Two or three times a month	6%	13%
Usually every week	82%	80%
More than once a week	8%	3%

2. How long have you been going to church at this parish?

Less than 1 year	17%	12%
1-2 years	28%	27%
3-5 years	38%	47%
6-10 years	15%	12%
11-20 years	<1%	0%
More than 20 years	<1%	<1%
I am visiting from another parish or church	1%	<1%
I am visiting and do not regularly go anywhere else	0%	<1%

3. Are you currently a member of this parish?

Yes	80%	93%
No, but I'm in the process of becoming a member	4%	1%
No, but I regularly participate here	11%	4%
No	6%	2%

4. Are you regularly involved in any group activities here? (Mark all that apply.)

	^	^
Yes, in adult faith formation programs or CCD classes	9%	24%
Yes, in other prayer, discussion, or Bible study groups	10%	10%
Yes, in clubs, social groups, or other types of groups	24%	26%
No, we have no group activities	15%	12%
No, I am not regularly involved in group activities	55%	44%



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

	No Children at Home	Children at Home
5. Do you regularly take part in any activities of this parish that reach out to the wider community (community service, social justice, advocacy, outreach, evangelization)? (Mark all that apply.)		
	^	^
Yes, in outreach or evangelization activities	14%	17%
Yes, in community service, social justice, or advocacy activities of this parish	8%	9%
No, we don't have such activities	10%	5%
No, I am not regularly involved	70%	73%
6. Do you currently have any of the following roles here? (Mark all that apply.)		
	^	^
Liturgical (Reader, Eucharistic minister, music minister, liturgy planning)	18%	11%
Sacramental (preparing children or adults for sacraments)	5%	6%
Education (teacher in parish programs or parish school)	4%	9%
Member of a leadership group (Parish Pastoral Council or Finance Council; parish fund-raising)	7%	6%
Leader of a group (prayer, discussion, Bible study, youth)	4%	5%
Other role not listed here	15%	10%
None	66%	68%
7. To what extent do the worship services or activities of this parish help you with everyday living?		
A great extent	61%	60%
Some extent	30%	31%
A small extent	7%	7%
Not at all	2%	2%



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

No Children at Home Children at Home

About Your Faith

	No Children at Home	Children at Home
8. How often do you spend time in private devotional activities (such as prayer, meditation, reading the Bible alone)?		
Every day or most days	51%	51%
A few times a week	21%	20%
Once a week	5%	5%
Occasionally	18%	17%
Hardly ever	4%	4%
Never	1%	2%
9. Over the last year, how much have you grown in your faith? (Mark only one.)		
No real growth	9%	7%
Some growth	54%	47%
Much growth, mainly through this parish	25%	29%
Much growth, mainly through other groups or churches	3%	4%
Much growth, mainly through my own private activities	10%	13%
10. Which statement comes closest to your view of the Bible? (Mark only one.)		
The Bible is the word of God, to be taken literally word for word	11%	8%
The Bible is the word of God, to be interpreted in the light of its historical context and the Church's teachings	68%	72%
The Bible is the word of God, to be interpreted in the light of its historical and cultural context	15%	14%
The Bible is not the word of God, but contains God's word to us	3%	2%
The Bible is not the word of God, but is a valuable book	1%	1%
The Bible is an ancient book with little value today	0%	0%
Don't know	2%	3%
11. Do you agree or disagree with this statement: "All the different religions are equally good ways of helping a person find ultimate truth"?		
Strongly agree	10%	6%
Agree	36%	26%
Neutral or unsure	19%	31%
Disagree	26%	25%
Strongly disagree	9%	12%

^= For questions with multiple responses possible, percentages usually total well over 100. On other questions, totals may not equal 100 due to rounding.



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

**No Children
at Home** **Children
at Home**

12. Do you agree or disagree: "My spiritual needs are being met in this parish"?

Strongly agree	28%	36%
Agree	54%	51%
Neutral or unsure	13%	11%
Disagree	4%	1%
Strongly disagree	<1%	1%

13. Which one of the following best describes your readiness to talk to others about your faith? (Mark only one.)

I do not have faith, so the question is not applicable	0%	<1%
I do not talk about my faith; my life and actions are sufficient	9%	8%
I find it hard to talk about my faith in ordinary language	8%	11%
I mostly feel at ease talking about my faith and do so if it comes up	68%	69%
I feel at ease talking about my faith and seek opportunities to do so	15%	12%

14. Have you ever had a conversion experience or a moment of decisive faith commitment?

Yes	47%	41%
No	33%	34%
Not sure	21%	24%



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

No Children at Home **Children at Home**

About Your Involvement

15. Are you involved in any community service, social service, or advocacy groups not connected to this parish? (Mark all that apply.)

	^	^
Yes, social service or charity groups	27%	25%
Yes, advocacy, justice, or lobbying groups	3%	1%
No, I'm not involved with such groups	72%	75%

16. Would you be prepared to invite to a Mass here any of your friends and relatives who do not now go to church?

Yes, and I have done so in the past 12 months	43%	50%
Yes, but I have not done so in the past 12 months	45%	39%
No, probably not	8%	8%
No, definitely not	<1%	1%
Don't know	4%	2%

17. In the past 12 months, have you done any of the following? (Mark all that apply.)

	^	^
Loaned money to someone outside your family	26%	27%
Cared for someone outside your family who was very sick	18%	19%
Helped someone outside your family find a job	20%	24%
Donated or prepared food for someone outside your family or parish	43%	53%
Will vote or did vote in the 2008 presidential election	91%	88%
Donated money to a charitable organization (other than this parish)	79%	79%
Worked with others to try to solve a community problem	13%	18%
Contacted an elected official about a public issue	16%	12%
Contributed money to a political party or candidate	17%	9%
Spoke at a decision-making meeting of this parish	6%	3%
Went on a mission or service trip	2%	3%

18. How satisfied are you with what is offered here for children and youth (less than 19 years of age)?

Very satisfied	14%	24%
Satisfied	26%	38%
Mixed feelings	6%	18%
Dissatisfied	1%	3%
Very dissatisfied	<1%	1%
Not sure or not applicable	52%	16%



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

	No Children at Home	Children at Home
19. Do you have any close friends in this parish?		
No, I have little contact with others from this parish outside of activities here	34%	19%
No, I have some friends in this parish, but my closest friends are not involved here	19%	25%
Yes, I have some close friends here as well as other close friends who are not part of this parish	41%	49%
Yes, most of my closest friends are part of this parish	7%	7%
20. Does this parish have a clear vision, goals, or direction for its ministry and mission?		
I am not aware of such a vision, goals, or direction	13%	9%
There are ideas but no clear vision, goals, or direction	8%	6%
Yes, and I am strongly committed to them	42%	51%
Yes, and I am partly committed to them	31%	28%
Yes, but I am not committed to them	6%	6%
21. Which one statement best describes your involvement in the making of important decisions in this parish?		
I have been given the opportunity and often participate in decision-making	4%	5%
I have been given the opportunity and occasionally get involved in decision-making	10%	12%
I have been given the opportunity but don't usually get involved in decision-making	47%	54%
I have not been given an opportunity to be involved and this is fine with me	32%	26%
I have not been given an opportunity to be involved and I am not happy about this	7%	2%
22. Do you have a strong sense of belonging to this parish?		
Yes, a strong sense of belonging that is growing	38%	50%
Yes, a strong sense--about the same as last year	23%	27%
Yes, but perhaps not as strong as in the past	8%	4%
No, but I am new here	13%	7%
No, and I wish I did by now	6%	4%
No, but I am happy as I am	9%	4%
Not applicable	4%	3%



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

No Children at Home Children at Home

23. While you may value many different styles of music, which two of the following do you prefer at the Masses you attend? (Mark up to two.)

	^	^
Traditional hymns	46%	46%
Choruses or praise music	22%	21%
Contemporary hymns	42%	46%
Other contemporary music or songs (not hymns)	17%	27%
Sung responsorial psalms and other parts of the Mass	15%	14%
Classical music or chorales	4%	4%
Contemplative chants (Taizé, Iona)	2%	1%
Music or songs from a variety of cultures	9%	7%
Gospel music	7%	6%
No music or songs	1%	1%
Don't know	2%	4%

24. Do you agree or disagree: "In general, there is a good match between our parish and our pastor or pastoral leader"?

Strongly agree	68%	71%
Agree	25%	23%
Neutral or unsure	7%	6%
Disagree	0%	1%
Strongly disagree	0%	0%
There is currently no leader here	0%	0%



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

No Children at Home **Children at Home**

25. Which of the following aspects of this parish do you personally most value? (Mark up to three.)

	^	^
Wider community care or social justice emphasis	16%	10%
Reaching those who do not attend church	8%	6%
Traditional style of worship or music	25%	21%
Contemporary style of worship or music	28%	28%
Celebrating the Eucharist or receiving Holy Communion	75%	65%
Social activities or meeting new people	18%	18%
Sermons or homilies	50%	48%
Bible study or prayer groups, other discussion groups	5%	6%
Ministry for children or youth	11%	37%
Prayer ministry for one another	2%	3%
Practical care for one another in times of need	9%	9%
The parish school or pre-school	1%	4%
Openness to social diversity	7%	9%
Adult faith education	2%	3%

26. Before you started coming to this parish, were you going to church anywhere else?

No, I've come here for most or all of my life	<1%	0%
No, before coming here I had not been going to church for several years	1%	7%
No, before coming here I had never regularly attended	1%	6%
Yes, immediately prior to coming here, I was going to church somewhere else	97%	87%



US Congregational Life Survey

**ST MARY MAGDALENE
HIGLEY, ARIZONA**

505 total responses.
ID Number: R2072

Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

**No Children
at Home** **Children
at Home**

27. Before you started coming here, what type of church did you attend? (Mark only one.)

Another Catholic parish	97%	94%
Assembly of God	0%	0%
Baptist	0%	1%
Episcopal	0%	0%
Lutheran	1%	<1%
Methodist	0%	0%
Nazarene	0%	0%
Non-denominational	0%	1%
Pentecostal	0%	0%
Presbyterian	0%	0%
Seventh-day Adventist	0%	0%
United Church of Christ	<1%	0%
Other	1%	1%
I did not attend another church before coming here	<1%	3%



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

No Children at Home **Children at Home**

About You

28. Age of worshippers:

15-24	1%	4%
25-44	18%	64%
45-64	47%	30%
65 and above	35%	1%

29. Gender of worshippers:

Female	63%	68%
Male	37%	32%

30. What is your employment status? (Mark all that apply.)

	^	^
Employed or self-employed full-time	42%	61%
Employed or self-employed part-time	12%	12%
Unemployed	1%	2%
Retired	43%	2%
Full-time homemaker	5%	20%
Student	1%	5%
Other	1%	2%

31. What is the highest educational level you have completed? (reported for worshippers age 25 and older)

No formal schooling	0%	0%
Primary school through 8th grade (K-8)	0%	0%
Some high school	<1%	1%
Completed high school	27%	17%
Trade certificate	12%	8%
Associate degree	15%	17%
Bachelor's degree from a university or college	29%	38%
Master's, Doctorate, or other graduate degree	16%	19%

^= For questions with multiple responses possible, percentages usually total well over 100. On other questions, totals may not equal 100 due to rounding.



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

	No Children at Home	Children at Home
32. What is your present marital status?		
Never married	9%	5%
In first marriage	56%	79%
Remarried after divorce	18%	10%
Remarried after death of spouse	<1%	1%
Living in a committed relationship	3%	<1%
Separated	0%	0%
Divorced	6%	3%
Widowed	8%	1%
33. Do you have a spouse or partner who is also completing a survey here?		
Yes	40%	50%
No	60%	50%
34. What is your race or origin? (Mark all that apply.)		
	^	^
Asian or Pacific Islander	3%	5%
Black or African American	2%	1%
Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	12%	11%
Indian (American) or Alaska Native	1%	<1%
White or Caucasian	84%	83%
Some other race	<1%	2%
35. Where were you born?		
In the United States	95%	92%
In another English-speaking country	2%	2%
In a non-English-speaking country	2%	6%
36. Where were your parents born?		
Both born in the United States	85%	86%
Only father born in the United States	3%	2%
Only mother born in the United States	3%	2%
Both father and mother born in another country	9%	10%
37. Where did you live when you were 5 years old?		
In the United States	96%	93%
In another country	4%	7%



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

	No Children at Home	Children at Home
38. When you were 5 years old, was English your primary language?		
Yes	94%	93%
No	6%	7%
39. Which statement best describes the people who currently live in your household?		
I live alone	18%	0%
A couple without children	69%	0%
One adult with child/children	0%	6%
Two or more adults with child/children	0%	94%
Some adults living in the same household	14%	0%
40. Most often reported ZIP codes of worshipers:		
85295	14%	25%
85298	24%	10%
85297	9%	19%
85234	8%	9%
85242	6%	10%
41. About how much do you give financially to this parish (not including school tuition)?		
I give 10% or more of net income regularly	15%	10%
I give about 5% to 9% of net income regularly	33%	32%
I give less than 5% of net income regularly	33%	32%
I give a small amount whenever I am here	17%	23%
I do not contribute financially here	2%	4%
42. Which of the following describes your total annual household income before taxes?		
Less than \$10,000	1%	<1%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	10%	4%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	22%	9%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	24%	18%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	20%	27%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	13%	20%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	4%	9%
\$150,000 or more	6%	11%



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

No Children at Home Children at Home

43. Respondents with at least one household member: (adjusted for multiple responses per household)

	^	^
Less than 6 years old	2%	41%
6 to 12 years old	2%	61%
13 to 18 years old	2%	38%
19 to 24 years old	4%	11%
25 years old or older	100%	98%

44. Respondents with at least one household member participating here: (adjusted for multiple responses per household)

	^	^
Less than 6 years old	2%	36%
6 to 12 years old	2%	58%
13 to 18 years old	2%	33%
19 to 24 years old	1%	8%
25 years old or older	99%	97%

45. How many children of any age do you have, whether they live at home or elsewhere? (adjusted for multiple responses per household)

None	24%	9%
One	7%	19%
Two	33%	29%
Three	13%	26%
Four or more	24%	18%

46. How many of your children of any age live at home with you? (adjusted for multiple responses per household)

None	92%	5%
One	4%	28%
Two	4%	35%
Three	0%	22%
Four or more	1%	9%



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

No Children at Home Children at Home

Some Final Questions

47. Do you agree or disagree: "In the past year we have grown in unity and strength as a parish community"?

Strongly agree	36%	31%
Agree	44%	50%
Neutral or unsure	18%	19%
Disagree	2%	<1%
Strongly disagree	0%	0%

48. Compared to 2 years ago, do you think you participate in activities of this parish more, less, or about the same amount as you did then?

Participate more	21%	37%
About the same participation	48%	36%
Participate less	8%	9%
Not applicable (been coming less than 2 years)	23%	18%

49. Have this parish's leaders encouraged you to find and use your gifts and skills here?

Yes, to a great extent	19%	22%
Yes, to some extent	31%	38%
Yes, to a small extent	20%	21%
Not at all	17%	9%
Don't know	13%	11%

50. How often do you experience the following during worship services at this congregation? (Always or Usually)

A sense of God's presence	90%	88%
Inspiration	77%	82%
Boredom	4%	8%
Awe or mystery	33%	37%
Joy	78%	84%
Frustration	6%	6%
Spontaneity	31%	24%
A sense of fulfilling my obligation	90%	85%

^= For questions with multiple responses possible, percentages usually total well over 100. On other questions, totals may not equal 100 due to rounding.



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

	No Children at Home	Children at Home
51. Do you agree or disagree: "Only followers of Jesus Christ can be saved"?		
Strongly agree	20%	22%
Agree	20%	23%
Neutral or unsure	20%	21%
Disagree	29%	25%
Strongly disagree	10%	9%
52. Of the following, which one best describes your opinion of the future directions of this parish?		
We need to get back to the way we did things in the past	3%	5%
We are faithfully maintaining past directions	16%	24%
We are currently deciding on new directions	18%	16%
We are currently moving in new directions	37%	36%
We need to rethink where we are heading	8%	2%
Our future is very unclear or doubtful	2%	<1%
Don't know	17%	17%
53. How long does it usually take you to get here?		
1-5 minutes	9%	14%
6-10 minutes	27%	32%
11-15 minutes	36%	31%
16-20 minutes	19%	14%
21-30 minutes	8%	7%
More than 30 minutes	1%	2%
54. Over the last two years, has there been any conflict in this parish? (Mark only one.)		
No conflict that I am aware of	64%	64%
Some minor conflict	6%	14%
Major conflict	1%	1%
Major conflict, with leaders or people leaving	1%	0%
Don't know	28%	21%
55. How important is this parish community in your life?		
Extremely important	29%	32%
Very important	31%	35%
Quite important	24%	22%
A little important	15%	10%
Not at all important	2%	<1%



Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

	No Children at Home	Children at Home
56. To what extent does the pastor or pastoral leader here take into account the ideas of those who worship here?		
A great extent	45%	48%
Some extent	17%	22%
A small extent	4%	<1%
Not at all	1%	<1%
Don't know	34%	29%
There is currently no leader here	0%	0%
57. Which of the following is the best description of the style of leadership of your pastor, minister, or priest?		
Leadership that tends to take charge	11%	11%
Leadership that inspires people to take action	55%	57%
Leadership that acts on goals that people here have been involved in setting	15%	17%
Leadership where the people start most things	2%	2%
There is currently no leader here	1%	0%
Don't know	17%	13%
58. Do you agree or disagree: "God is directly involved in worldly affairs"?		
Strongly agree	38%	37%
Agree	38%	37%
Neutral or unsure	19%	20%
Disagree	3%	4%
Strongly disagree	3%	1%
I don't believe in God	0%	0%
59. Do you agree or disagree: "God is angered by human sin"?		
Strongly agree	27%	24%
Agree	44%	37%
Neutral or unsure	12%	18%
Disagree	13%	19%
Strongly disagree	4%	2%
I don't believe in God	0%	<1%



US Congregational Life Survey

**ST MARY MAGDALENE
HIGLEY, ARIZONA**

505 total responses.
ID Number: R2072

Survey Responses Based on Children at Home Age 18 or Younger (Q-39)

**No Children
at Home** **Children
at Home**

60. Which of the following terms best describes your current stand on theological issues?

Very conservative	9%	11%
Conservative	48%	44%
Right in the middle	28%	36%
Liberal	11%	6%
Very liberal	3%	2%