

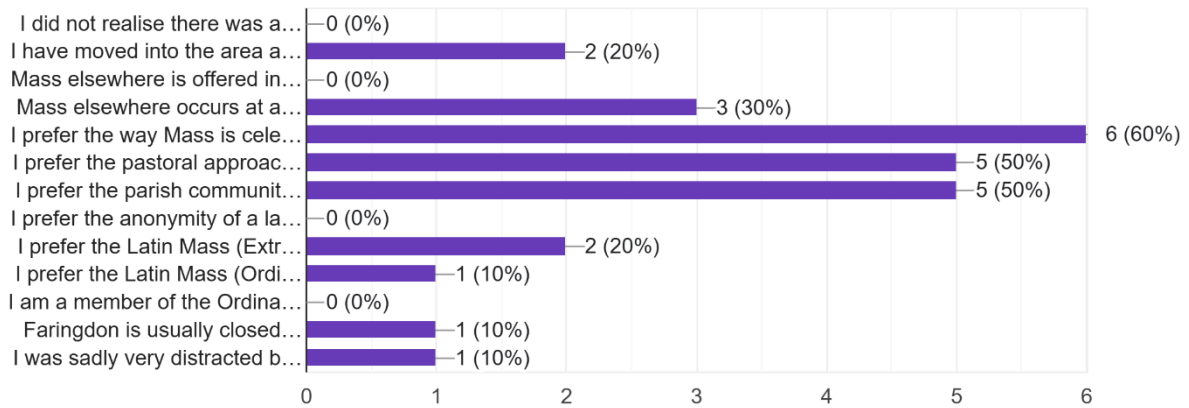
Summary of questionnaire responses

A) those who live in the parish but regularly attend Mass elsewhere

There were a total of 10 respondents to this survey

1. Which of the following are reasons why you attend Mass elsewhere?

10 responses

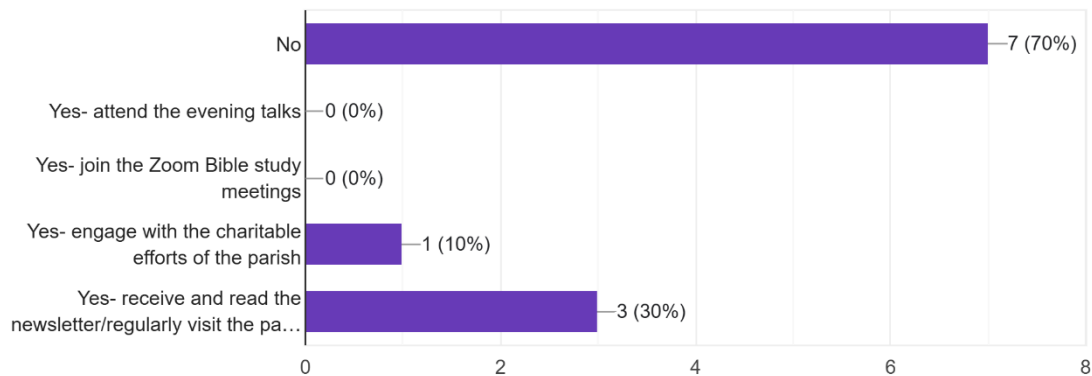


Reason	Number
I have moved into the area and prefer to continue to attend Mass at my former parish	2
Mass elsewhere occurs at a more convenient time	3
I prefer the way Mass is celebrated elsewhere	6
I prefer the pastoral approach of the other parish's priest	5
I prefer the parish community in the other parish	5
I prefer the Latin Mass (Extraordinary Form)	2
I prefer the Latin Mass (Novus Ordo)	1
I was sadly very distracted by the giant TV in the church and at a daily mass the priest played a podcast from the pulpit for his homily (not even a Catholic one); and had his phone on the altar (the corporal)- and it was pinging- during mass. It felt so so sad.	1
Faringdon is usually closed when I come by and also Masses are infrequent.	1

Highlighted responses were added by the respondents themselves.

2. Are you engaged with any of the activities of our parish?

10 responses



3. Is there anything else you want to tell us?

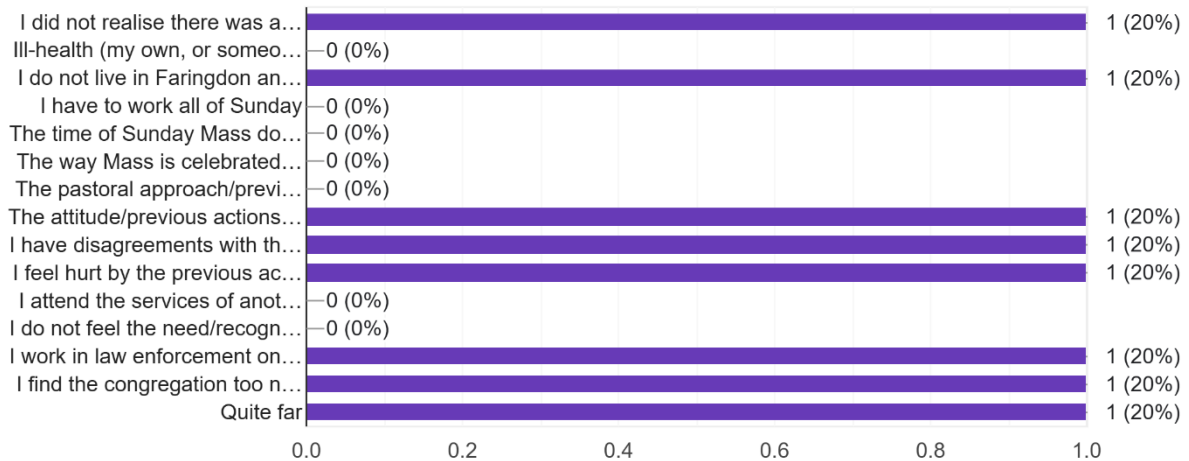
- The priest is very friendly and welcoming, and clearly loves his parish. However, we weren't comfortable with ourselves or our children being filmed by the priest on his phone during mass when turning his phone camera to the congregation, would have thought this was a safeguarding issue. Also found the priest using his phone throughout the mass distracting and not very reverent.
- We are involved in activities in previous Parish such as sacramental programme, music group, fundraising, etc and find it difficult to stop supporting them!
- We used to come to Faringdon. During the course of time there were so many changes to the Parish Priest. I wanted a church where my children grew up with the Priest knowing who they were. Due to the busy lives that we had we also wanted to have flexibility in the timings of the mass we attended each week.
- Not really, except as stated earlier, that the church is often closed during the day and Masses are infrequent.
- It would be lovely to have reverent masses, a sanctuary dedicated to honouring the blessed sacrament, and regular Eucharistic adoration.

B) Catholics who live in the parish but do not regularly attend Mass anywhere

There were 5 respondents to this survey

1. Which of the following reasons describe why you do not currently attend Mass regularly?

5 responses

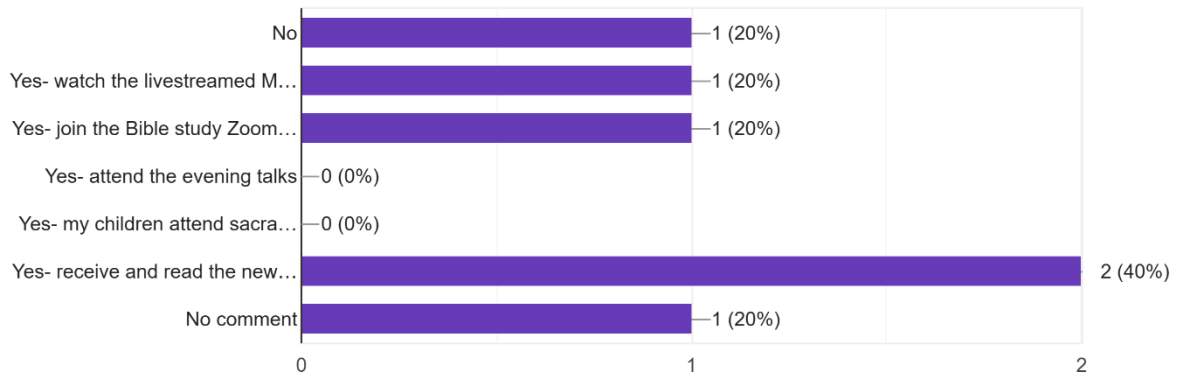


Reason	Number
I did not realise there was a Catholic church in Faringdon	1
I do not live in Faringdon and have no car	1
The attitude/previous actions of the parish community	1
I have disagreements with the teachings of the Catholic Church	1
I feel hurt by the previous actions of the Church	1
I work in law enforcement on a shift pattern. I would like to come back to church on the Sundays I do not work.	1
I find the congregation too noisy and therefore difficult to find space for peaceful contemplation and prayer. I do appreciate that others enjoy a more Baptist/congregational kind of church but it isn't for me as I find it distracting.	1
Quite far	1

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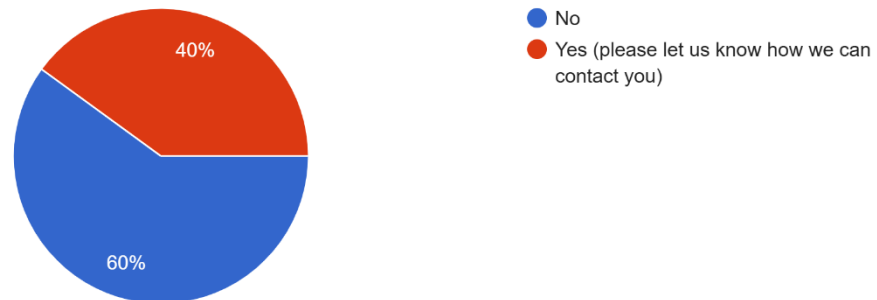
2. Do you engage with the parish in another way?

5 responses



3. Would you be prepared to meet with the PPC and the parish priest so they can engage with you, and hear you, in person?

5 responses



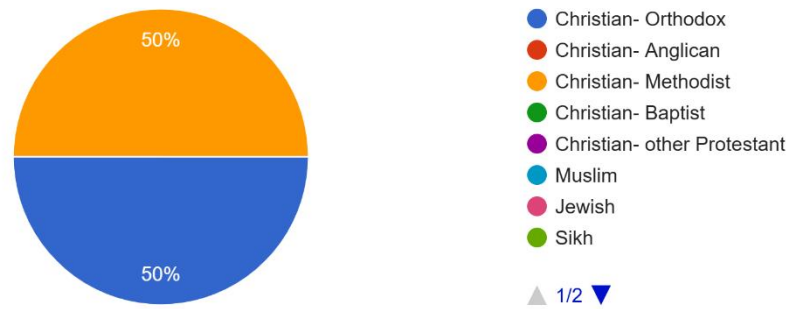
4. If you wish to be contacted by the PPC and parish priest, please put your preferred contact below: 2 responses

C) Non-Catholics who are interested in learning more about the Catholic church

There were only 2 respondents to this survey

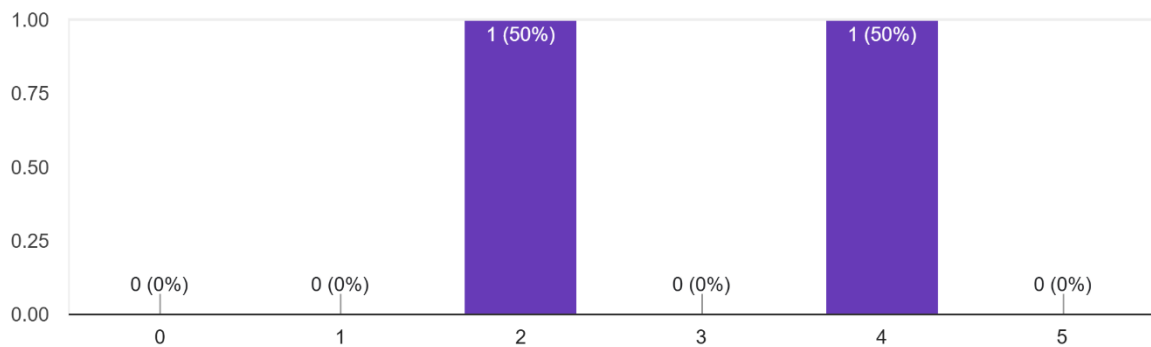
1. What best describes your current religious affiliation?

2 responses



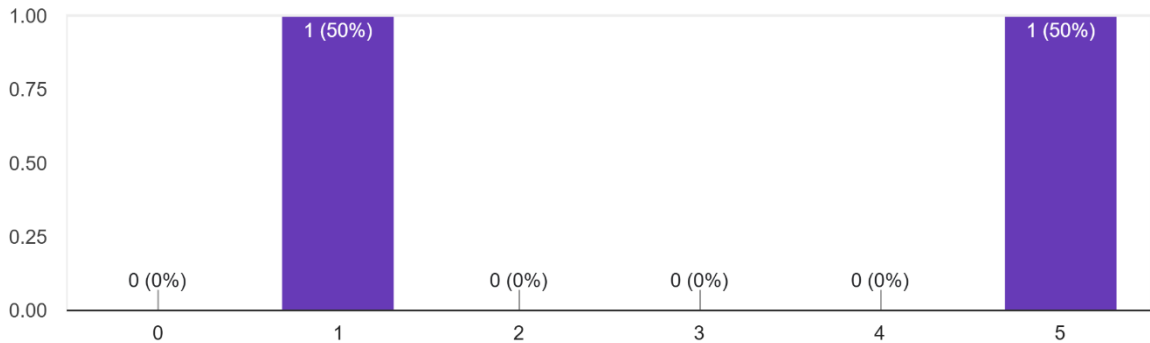
2. Please rate how favourably you view the Catholic Church as an institution (from 0- not at all favourably to 5- very favourably)?

2 responses



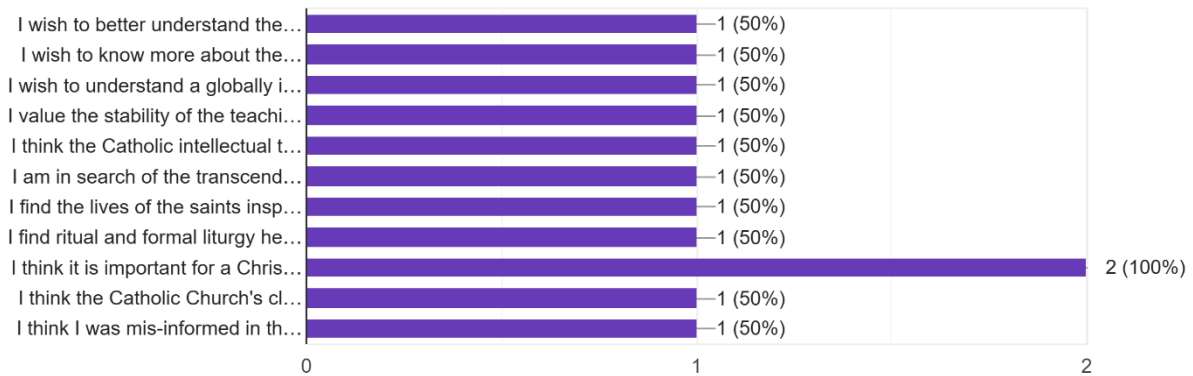
3. Please rate how favourably you view Catholics whom you know personally (from 0- not at all favourably to 5-very favourably)

2 responses



4. Which of the following fit with why you wish to learn more?

2 responses



5. You are welcome to join us at Mass (every Sunday at 10.00 a.m.) at any time, but if that feels a bit intimidating at first, join the parish community first in the parish hall (behind the church, accessible from Portway) after Mass (about 11.15 on Sundays) for tea and coffee, or join us for our online Bible study or evening talks (see the parish website for more details). If you would like to talk to Father Claro then please email him cconde@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or phone him on 01367 358895 . Please feel free to add anything else you think we should know below:

1 response

Is it easy to become a catholic. I know the bible well, although I do not practice any faith right now I feel lost and think a good strong belief would help. I need a strong core to help me find that belief