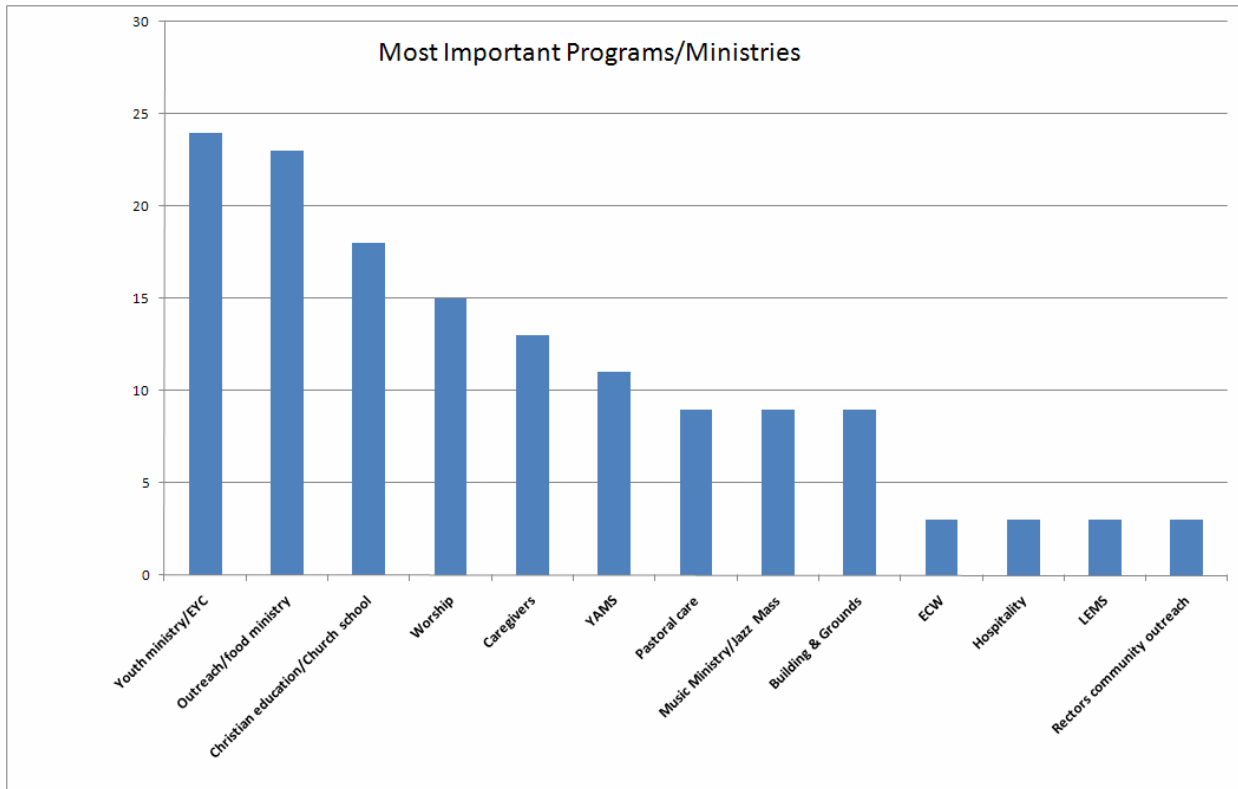


St. Ambrose 2011 Parish Survey Summary:

Total # Responses: 78 (25 online)



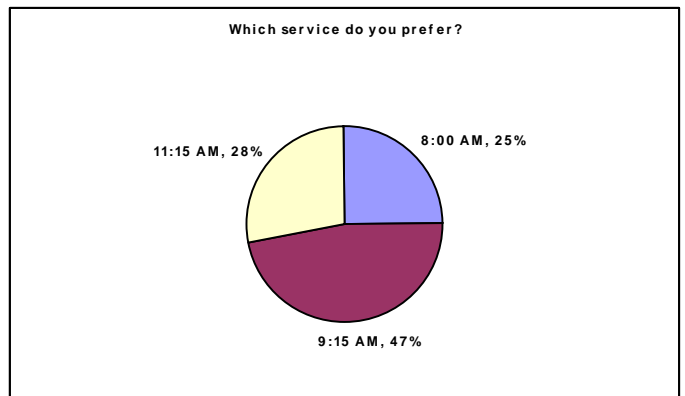
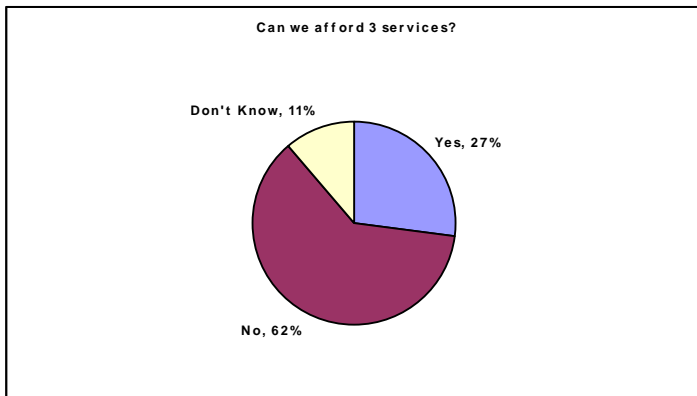
Q1: What are the 3 most important programs/ministries in the church and why?

| Most Important: | # | Why: |
|-----------------------------------|----|---|
| Youth ministry/EYC | 24 | Our youth are the future of the church. |
| Outreach/Food ministry | 23 | We are called to serve our community. |
| Christian Education/Church School | 18 | Adults focused, children trained, youth more likely to return if we invest in them. |
| Worship | 15 | Source of word, community/fellowship. |
| Caregivers | 13 | They let the parish know that the church cares. |
| YAMS | 11 | We are the future leadership of the church. |
| Pastoral Care | 9 | This is how we let people know they are not forgotten. |
| Building & Grounds | 9 | We must keep our physical property in order. |
| Jazz Mass/Music Ministry | 9 | It's what makes St Ambrose unique. |

Q2: What suggestions can you provide on how to gain greater voluntary involvement in church activities by the entire body of the church?

| what | count |
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| ask people directly, telephone calls to members | 19 |
| Let individuals know they are needed and welcomed; Make sure we are reaching out to everyone and accepting everyone's input;(Eliminating cliques and the same people doing everything) | 14 |
| better advertisement/use of email | 10 |
| information more accessible, more on web site | 8 |
| strong leadership & organization | 8 |
| provide list of programs/ministries so members can sign up | 7 |
| make the church more attractive to encourage new comers | 6 |
| appreciate the people who are volunteering more | 6 |
| more church socialization | 5 |
| create a skills directory of church members | 4 |
| make a list, ask members to complete | 3 |
| transportation for members that do not drive | 2 |

Q3: Do you believe that we need and can afford 3 services? Yes/No which do you prefer and why? 8:00 am. 9:15 am 11:15 am



Afford:

| | |
|------------|-----|
| Yes | 27% |
| No | 62% |
| Don't Know | 11% |

Service Preference:

| | |
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| 8:00 am | 25% |
| 9:15 am | 47% |
| 11:15 am | 28% |

Recommendation: Follow summer schedule all year.

Q4: What are your expectations of both the parish and priest?

| | Parish | |
|-----------|---|-------|
| | what | count |
| 1 | Support priest | 25 |
| 2 | Show up and become more active beyond Sunday | 21 |
| 3 | Carry Out Mission | 19 |
| 4 | Financial Support/Tithes | 17 |
| 5 | Network to help each other/Support each other | 9 |
| 6 | Presence in the city/communities | 9 |
| 7 | Be open to new ways & ideas | 9 |
| 8 | Outreach | 8 |
| 9 | Share in upkeep of church | 8 |
| 10 | Spend less time moaning & groaning/ fighting | 8 |
| 11 | Provide feedback & support to vestry | 5 |
| 12 | Educate our members | 5 |
| 13 | Be welcoming to new members | 4 |
| 14 | Run parish as any other business | 4 |
| 15 | Develop innovative ways to spread the message | 3 |
| 16 | Have programs that include children | 3 |
| 17 | Safe & conducive place for worship | 2 |
| 18 | Become familiar with services | 1 |
| 19 | Support the Diocese | 1 |
| 20 | Handicap rail in bathroom | 1 |

| | Priest | |
|----|--|-------|
| | what | count |
| 1 | Support spiritual growth/ guidance | 20 |
| 2 | Lead the church/ provide leadership | 19 |
| 3 | Deliver a great sermon | 17 |
| 4 | Visit sick & shut in | 15 |
| 5 | Be present at functions & activities | 10 |
| 6 | Be available | 8 |
| 7 | Reach out to church family | 8 |
| 8 | Participate in the community | 8 |
| 9 | Take charge of all services & activities | 5 |
| 10 | Provide counseling | 5 |
| 11 | Provide education | 4 |
| 12 | Make 1-1 connection with parishioners | 4 |
| 13 | Encourage communication within the parish | 3 |
| 14 | Provide more effective communication | 3 |
| 15 | Be a facilitator | 2 |
| 16 | Provide service to members | 2 |
| 17 | Reach out to other clergy | 2 |
| 18 | Recruit & recognize visitors | 2 |
| 19 | Replace carpet | 1 |
| 20 | Recognize people celebrating birthdays | 1 |
| 21 | Have Sunday school worship with parish | 1 |
| 22 | Run the social/ministry part of the church as a church, yet logistics (Ex. Money) as a business | 1 |

Q5: What are the top 3 forms of communication that you prefer in order to stay informed of church activities and why?

| what | count | comments |
|-----------------|-------|---|
| email | 50 | The way to reach the most people in a short amount of time |
| telephone | 38 | member phone tree not automated, create a phone tree/committee |
| website | 31 | Needs to be used more often, needs to be promoted as a source of communication and updated regularly |
| parish meetings | 28 | Would like to see productive Qrty meetings, more than 2x per year; Parish meetings need to be about forward movement and not gripe sessions |
| newsletter | 21 | Needed newsletter more frequently; Needs to be done consistently. Pick how frequently and stick with it |