

Thank you for participating in our survey!

Pope Francis has asked Catholics around the world to engage people in their regions – those who are active in the Church and those who are not – to find out more about how we are responding to our communities. Archbishop Dunn, Archbishop of Halifax-Yarmouth, would like to use this opportunity to consult with everyone to find out more about local needs and how best to serve our communities.



This survey is part of our engagement with those who are not actively involved in our church communities. Whether or not you've ever had any involvement in the Catholic Church, we want to hear from you.

All questions are optional. Please write as much or as little as you'd like. All questions can be answered anonymously. If you choose to leave your contact information to participate in a focus group, your responses will be kept confidential.

If you have any questions about this process or would like further information, please contact us at info@halifaxyarmouth.org.

1. Can you briefly describe your experience with the Catholic Church?

2. If you had to give your opinion of Jesus in a few sentences, what would you say?

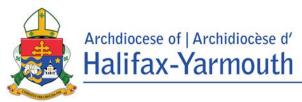
3. If you had to give your opinion of the Catholic Church in a few sentences, what would you say?



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4. What is the one thing you would like to see change in the Catholic Church?

- 5. What are areas of life that cause concern or stress? (Choose as many as you like)
 - □ Work (Am I doing my job well? Will I get fired or laid off? I don't like my job, but where will I find another one?)
 - □ School (Will I pass these exams? Will my marks be good enough to get into the program I want? How can I afford to go to college or university?)
 - Relationships (Is my marriage healthy? Do my children know how much I care about them? Am I being a good friend, am I helping as much as I can? I'm lonely, but how can I meet people or make new friends?)
 - □ Family security (Can I make enough money to keep up with rising costs of everything? Will my children find happiness in life? Do I have the strength and time to look after both my parents and my children? Who will care for me in my old age?)
 - Church (My church closed and my heart still aches; I love my faith but there are things I cannot agree with; I feel alone)
 - Life issues (abortion, Medical Assistance in Dying, stem cell research, sexuality)
 - □ Human Rights and Dignity of the Human Being
 - Health Care (access to services, mental health care, cost of prescriptions and procedures, aging)
 - □ Science, Politics and Faith
 - Other:
- 6. If you were interested in attending a service or event hosted by a Catholic parish tomorrow, would you feel comfortable or welcome to do so? Why or why not?



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7. If you would not feel comfortable participating in an event at a Catholic church, is there anything that might make you feel more willing to do so?

8. What is your age?

		<18		45-54
		18-24		55-64
		25-34		65-74
		35-44		75+

- 9. What are the first three characters of your postal code? (e.g. B3J)
- 10. Before the COVID pandemic, how often did you attend church apart from special occasions, such as weddings, funerals, baptisms, and so on?
 - □ Frequently at least once a month or more
 - □ Infrequently less than once a month
 - Never
- 11. If you would be interested in participating in a focus group to explore these questions in more depth, please provide your contact information below.

Full Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Responses to these questions can be submitted online at <u>www.halifaxyarmouth.org/survey</u> or sent by mail to:

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