



SAINT MARY PARISH

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Kick-Off Questionnaire & Survey of Needs

Our small country Church built in the center of town in 1896 has grown to over 3,000 families, making us one of the largest and most vibrant Parishes in the Diocese. We asked the Ridgefield Architecture and Master Planning firm of Doyle Coffin Architecture to facilitate a **Master Planning Process** which will help us understand our long and short term goals as a Parish. A vital component to the success of this process is gathering information from you. This questionnaire will help us understand **what we can do for you**. This includes physical space needs as well as your ‘wish list’ and vision for the Parish’s future. Please take a moment to fill out this questionnaire. There is additional space at the end for anything you would like to tell us that is not covered in our survey and/or to elaborate on previous questions. Please return this to the Parish Office or drop it into the collections basket during Mass when complete. This survey can also be completed online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SaintMaryParish>. Surveys are due no later than **Friday, June 27, 2014**.

Thank you so much for your time, we look forward to working with you as we develop the Master Plan vision for Saint Mary Parish together!

1. Name (optional):

2. How long have you been a member of the Parish?

Saint Mary Parish Services

3. Do you typically attend Mass in the *Church* or in the *Parish Hall*?

4. Which Mass days/times do you typically attend?

5. Why do you prefer Mass in this location and time?

6. Please rank the following in order of importance to you in what determines your preferred Mass:

__ Location

__ Mass Time Available

__ Mass Type (*Youth Mass, High Mass, Vigil Mass, etc.*)

__ Worship Space/Atmosphere

__ Accessibility

7. Describe the quality, functionality, location and deficiencies, if any, of your worship space (Church or Parish Hall).



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8. Do you experience or see any conflicts with your worship space and parking locations, layout and accessibility?

9. Do you participate in any gatherings or meetings directly following Mass? **Yes** **No**
If **Yes**, where do they take place?

10. Does your worship space require any additional space and/or equipment?

11. What is unique about your Mass (*i.e. type of Mass, music, spatial layout, etc.*)?

Saint Mary Parish Campus

12. Please describe the other ways in which you interact with our facilities:
Adoration Chapel:
Ministry (*please name*):
Religious Education:
Saint Mary School:
Social Gatherings:
Other (*please specify*):

13. Please tell us more about the Saint Mary Parish campus: for example - is there a sense of place, an identity, what characteristics you like best, what characteristics you like least, social aspects, etc.

14. Do you experience or know of any circulation and/or landscape problems or difficulties on campus (*vehicular, pedestrian, parking, accessibility, service access, open space, security, lighting, etc.*)?

15. The Church is currently located on a relatively small, but prominent lot right in the heart of town. Is that desirable? If you thought it could be somewhere else, where would you locate it?

16. Do you experience or see any conflicts with the use of the Saint Mary facilities and school functions?



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17. Outside of attending Mass, do you attend other meetings/ministries in the Parish? **Yes** **No**
If **Yes**, what facilities do you use? What do you like/dislike about those facilities?

What upgrades are needed to improve/enhance your use of current space?

18. What changes to the existing Saint Mary facilities overall would you recommend (List your top 3)

1:

2:

3:

19. What would you like to incorporate into the vision of the Parish as we prepare for the next 100 years?

20. Would you like to discuss your comments and ideas further with Doyle Coffin Architecture and the Master Plan Committee? **Yes** **No**

If **Yes**, please give us your email address and/or phone number:

21. Please use the rest of this page to elaborate on previous questions or to tell us more about you and the Parish!