

Hopes & Concerns  
St. Raymond, Mt. Prospect  
Parish Transformation Meeting 1

People	Liturgy	Community	Mission	Ministry	School	Youth-General	Youth-Active	Youth-Inactive	Young Families	Admin
All people have a voice	Hoping for expression of faith in simple and direct way	Growth of parish	Don't lose sight of mission & love of Jesus	Find ways to have members participate more	Hope school parents will bring children to mass on Sunday	Hoping for commitment to youth and engagement with adults	Youngsters resume 11:15 homily reports	Reach young where they are and harness energy	Younger generations come to SR	Grow in sustainable way
Encourage diversity of thought	We acknowledge the strong history of ministry and liturgy at SR. Return to vibrancy we have lost	Outreach to inactive Catholics and younger people	Pass SR on to next generation even stronger than we are today	Strong outreach to people who have moved to nursing homes and in-home care. No one is forgotten.	Stewardship to pull in school families	Young people will not have faith as strong or identical to that we have	Have young people in leadership roles	Don't have younger people involvement. Where will we be in 20-30 years?	Hope that we can bring in younger generations	Hope to have leadership filled by lay
Tap into hopes of people not on PT Team to hear and respond to their needs	Lack of turn out at masses	Embrace a more diverse group to fill the pews in a vibrant way	Maintain spirit of Vatican II Council	Great learning formation at Bible classes - felt so good, joined parish	Long term viability of school	Engage young people (tweens - 30+)		Disconnect between church and youth	Stewardship to pull in religious education families	Hope Fr. Ed will stay/permanent pastor
Participation through example - especially for young people	Tremendous liturgies at SR	There is relevant shrinking of seniors. Need to engage youth	Become church in a new way - not just depending on one pastor					Reverse trend or there will be no church	We're failing to get younger generations engaged	Increase women's leadership in church
If we don't embrace diversity we will not survive		Fewer people in church - let's reach out	Build the church with energy we used to feel						All children are welcome here & encouraged for families to attend	Have more than 1 priest in the future
Ability to bring people back into the pews		Outreach as community - move out of Mt. Prospect and address issues - diversity, immigration, etc.	Challenges - overcome those challenges							Changes in leadership/we don't want to lose flavor of parish
Lack of participation		Really need to identify those outside of our walls	Return to church of vibrancy for many generations							Priest shortage - how will it be managed?
We have much in common and must stick together	Each one cares about the other - warm & welcoming	50th anniversary of Vatican II Council. Church was full of joy as time changes around us. Reaching out to each other keeps us in touch with the mission of Jesus.	Sense of family and community							Recognize financial situation
Openness which is willing to leave its comfort zone			There is always a place for you at SR							Will this PT program expand us?
Family and community with people you know and love each week			Realize parish is a choice - conscious choice. Encourage people to keep coming back.							Mindset: "That's the way we've always done it."
			All are welcome - we really mean it!							Easy to say membership declining
										Strong, Energetic leadership from pastor