

Affirming Welcoming Engaging (AWE!)

DISTRIBUTING A PARISH WIDE SURVEY

Your opinion will shape a plan of action to address present and future needs.

Over the next few weeks, we will be distributing the parish wide survey at Mass and by mail plus the survey will be available online at www.stladislas.com. This short survey will provide parishioners the opportunity to give input and opinion regarding ways we can better welcome, invite and involve our parishioners. This is the next step in St. Ladislas' continued involvement in a workshop series *Affirming, Welcoming and Engaging (AWE!)*. This workshop is an engagement process to help determine how we can more meaningfully involve people into the life of the parish.

From this list we will invite at least 75 parishioners to participate in the step 4 of the process; the formation of a People Engagement Team (P.E.T.). Team members will attend three workshops designed to solicit ideas and solutions to previously identified challenges. This is a "think tank" concept.

The major goal is to advance our parish in many areas:

- New parishioner welcome
- Parish education
- Neighborhood outreach
- Communication
- Database
- Greeters ministry
- Sharing the gifts

We celebrate the past and look to the future with new ideas and initiatives.

In every step of the process we will seek to meaningfully invite and involve you as we create dynamic plans for the future. The previous step, "Input Sessions", were recently held and the results of those sessions have been recorded and will soon be made available. Meanwhile, preparations for the formation of a People Engagement Team are underway.

PEOPLE ENGAGEMENT TEAM

AWE Core Team members each will come up with 10 parishioners who are very involved in the life of the parish AND 15 who are not that involved, if at all.



Stay tuned for more updates from the Core Team, or visit the redesigned website at www.stladislas.com for more information and to find ways for you to participate in the AWE process.

Steps In The Process

A Core Team of parish members has already attended four workshops with one more upcoming. We wanted to share with you the steps in this process:

1. *Presentations by the Core Team to all the regularly meeting ministries.*
2. *Core Team will conduct input sessions with randomly chosen parishioners who will have the opportunity to express their opinion on how we can better invite, involve and welcome.*
3. *Development of a parish wide survey that will be distributed in the future to determine the level of engagement of our parish families.*
4. *Formation of a People Engagement Team, a group of 40-60 people who will meet and plan for how we can engage more people into the life our parish.*
5. *Finalization of the Plan of Action for the next year which will incorporate the ideas growing out of the planning process.*
6. *Workshop in the use of technology and how the parish can become more technologically savvy.*