

# Key Leader Perspective

Additional insights from parishioners who report being heavily involved in the life of the parish.

By default, the report shows the responses of these parishioners. To see the responses of all parishioners who responded, regardless of their involvement with the parish, check the "show all respondent answers" checkbox.

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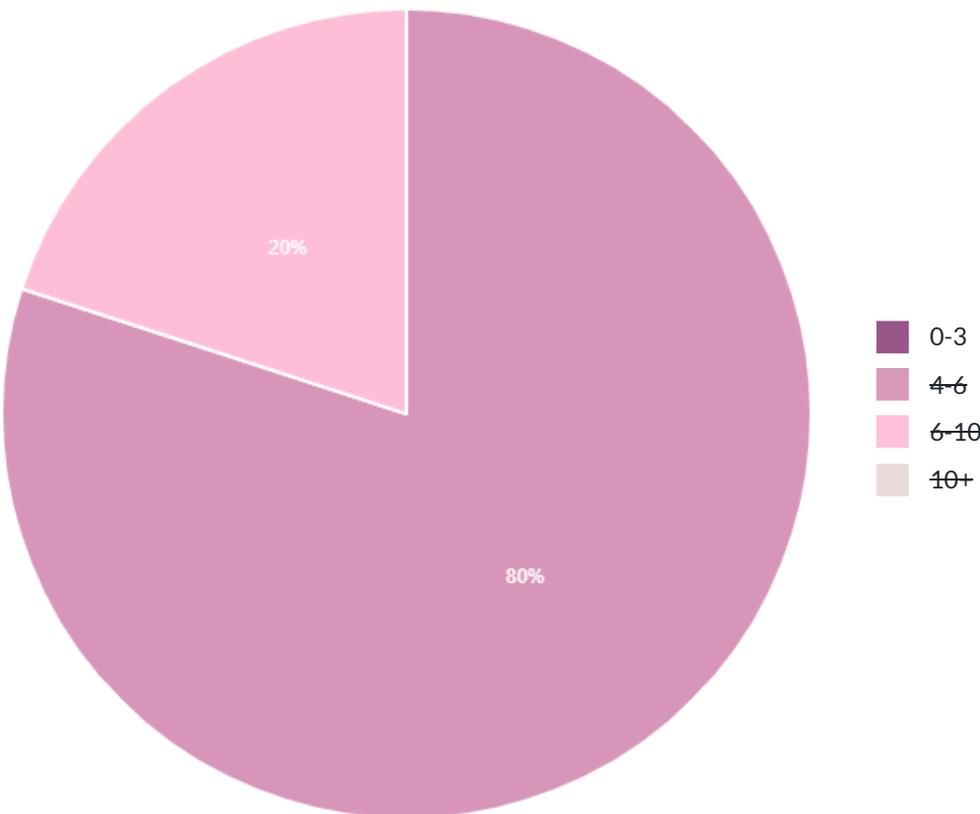
(Optional) Filter the responses to this question by a particular demographic by selecting a question and associated response below

Select a question

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## About You

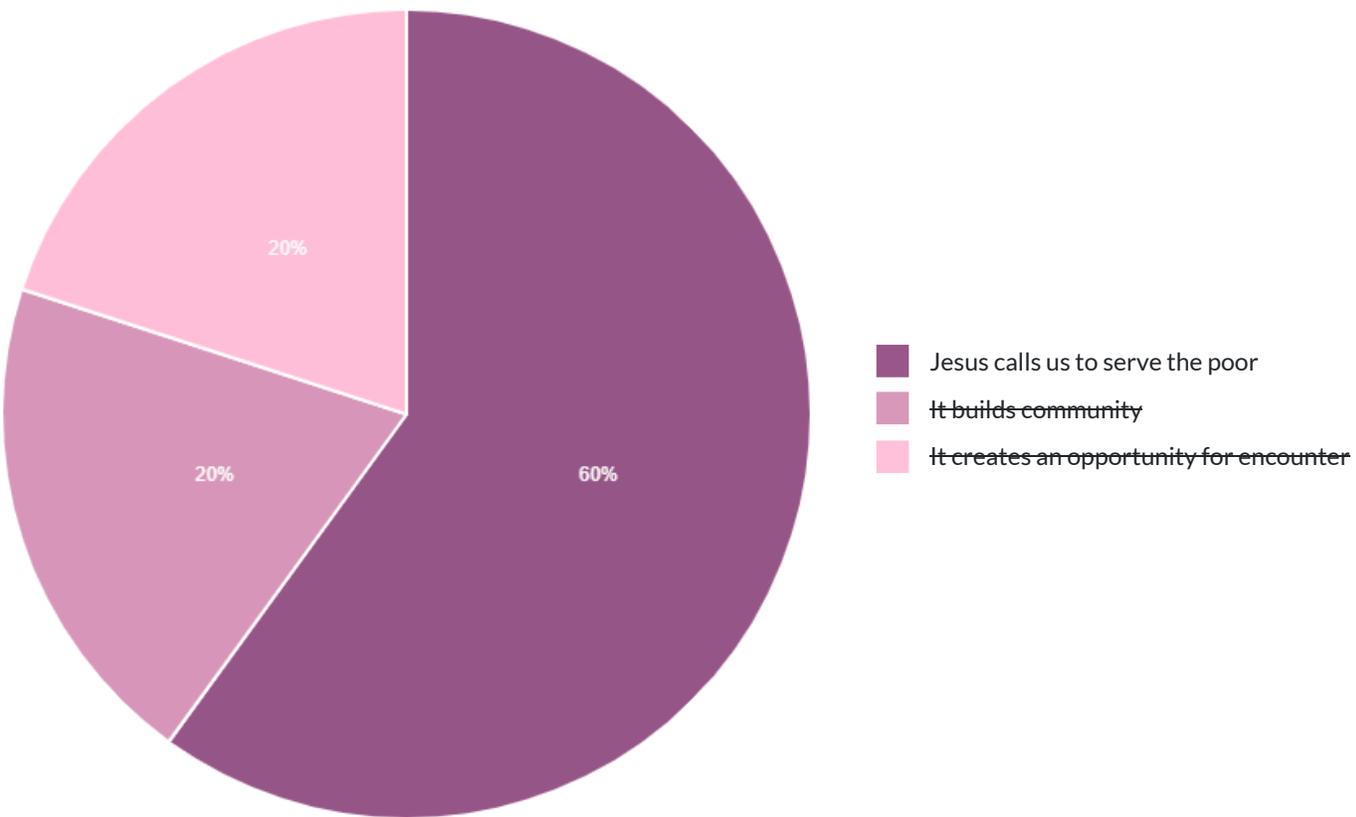
1. In the last year, how many different parish-based ministries or parish-based organizations have you participated in?



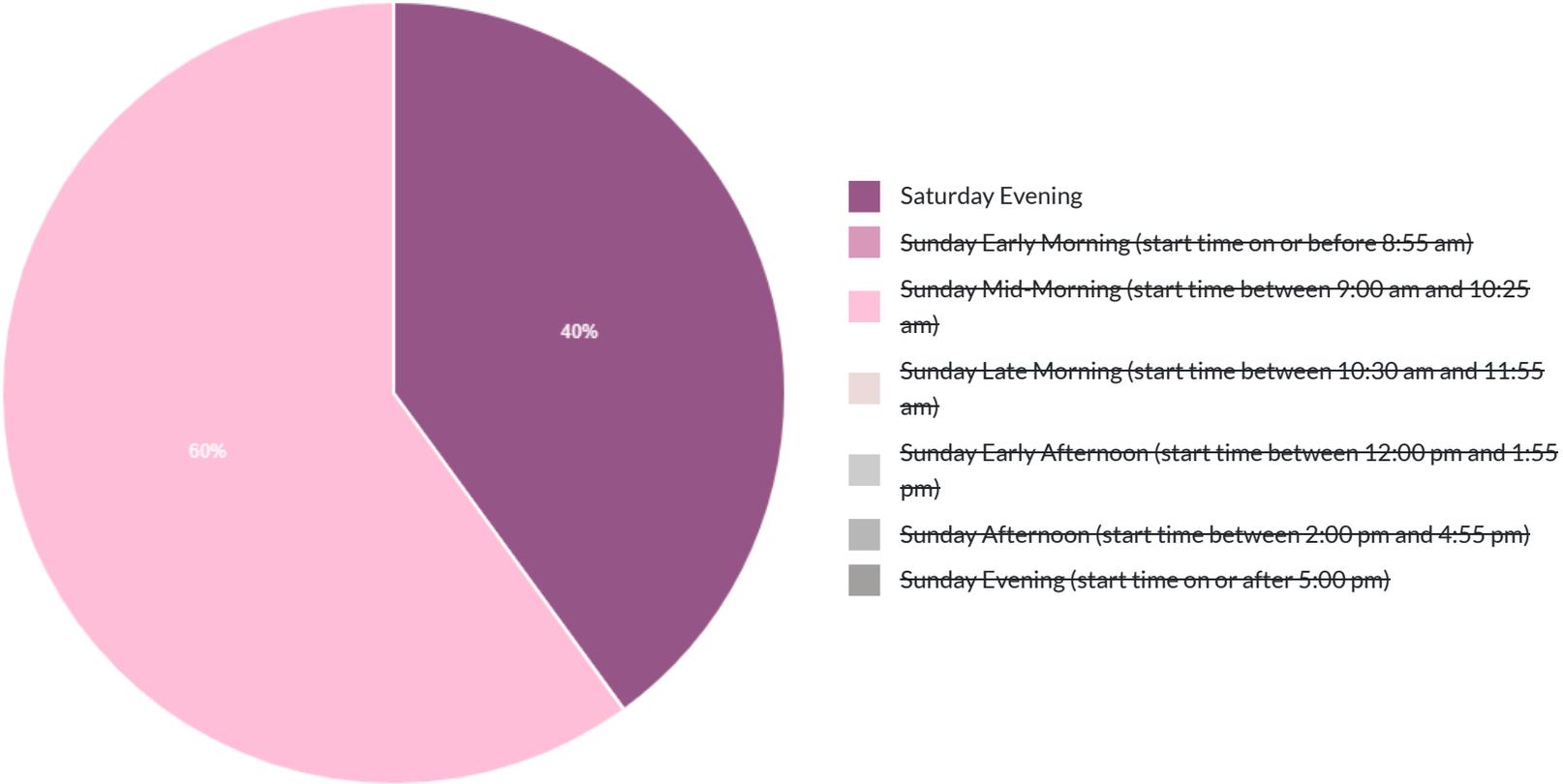
2. Of all the below factors that might keep someone connected in the life of a parish, **check 3** that are most influential in your **current experience** with the parish:

- 3 Celebration of the Eucharist
- 2 Parish-organized service and outreach to the community
- 2 Parish-supported faith sharing opportunities (e.g. small groups, bible study)
- 1 Relationship with the pastor(s)
- 1 Parish-hosted social events
- 1 Prayer and Worship (outside of Mass)
- 0 Parish-hosted or sponsored retreats
- 0 Hospitality and Welcome
- 0 Regular access to Eucharistic Adoration and Confession
- 0 Intentional Invitation (e.g. by pastor or parish staff, ministry sign-up weekends)
- 0 Parish care and support for life events (e.g. death/illness, weddings, family issue)

3. What is the most important reason to encourage community service in my parish?



4. What is the Mass time you most frequently attend at your parish on the weekend?



## About Leadership

5. If you could only select 5, which of the following expectations of a pastor for **your community** would be **most** important: (check 5)

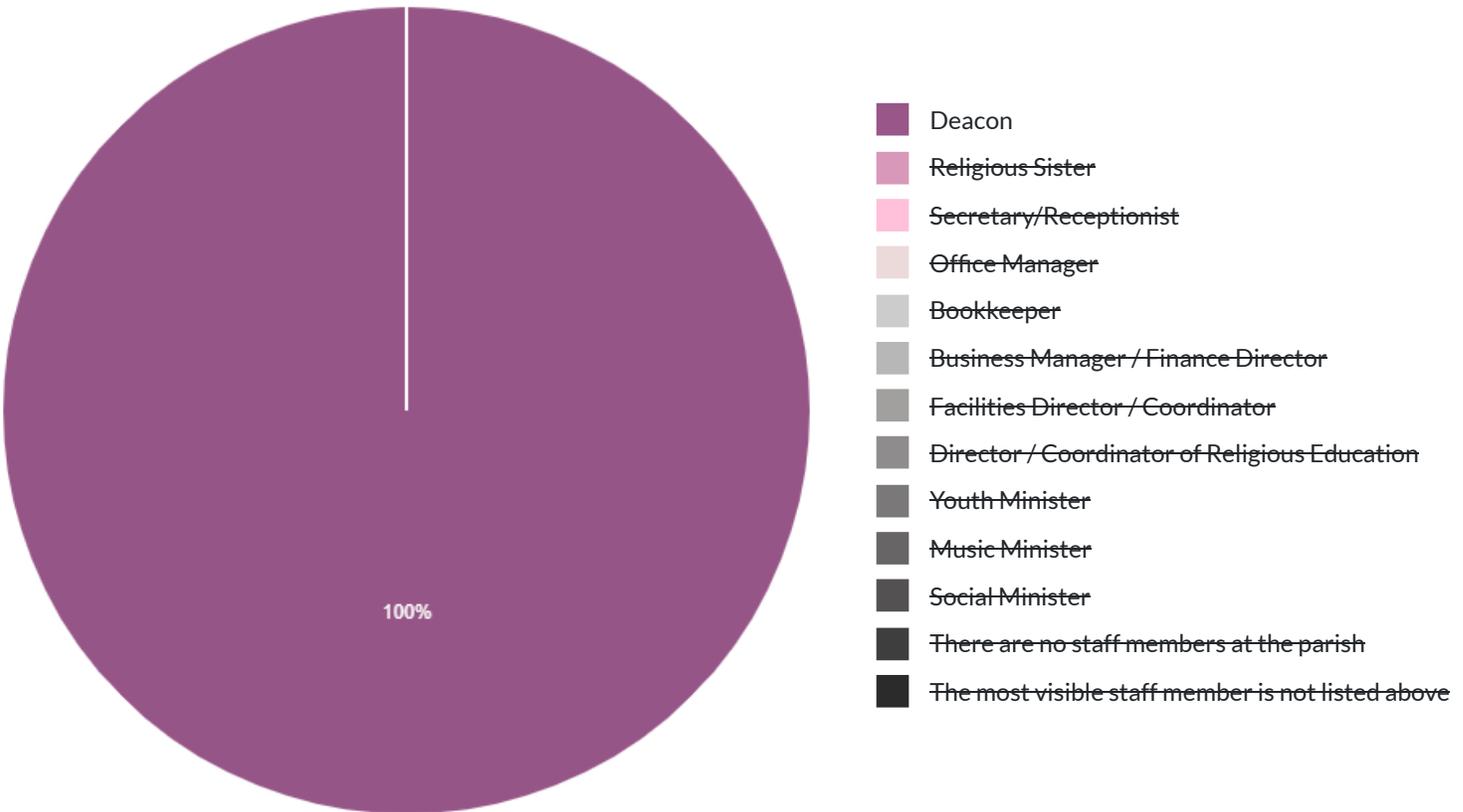
- 5 Celebrating the sacraments
- 4 Providing spiritual direction/counsel
- 2 Providing pastoral care
- 2 Teaching the faith
- 2 Forming your people
- 2 Promoting Stewardship
- 2 Setting Vision and Direction
- 2 Empowering service and outreach to the poor
- 1 Preaching homilies
- 1 Managing staff and volunteers
- 1 Overseeing care for the facilities
- 1 Modeling personal prayer life
- 0 Raising money
- 0 Managing finances
- 0 Managing Catholic Schools

6. Select the **two** most important things you would want to take away from a homily at your parish.

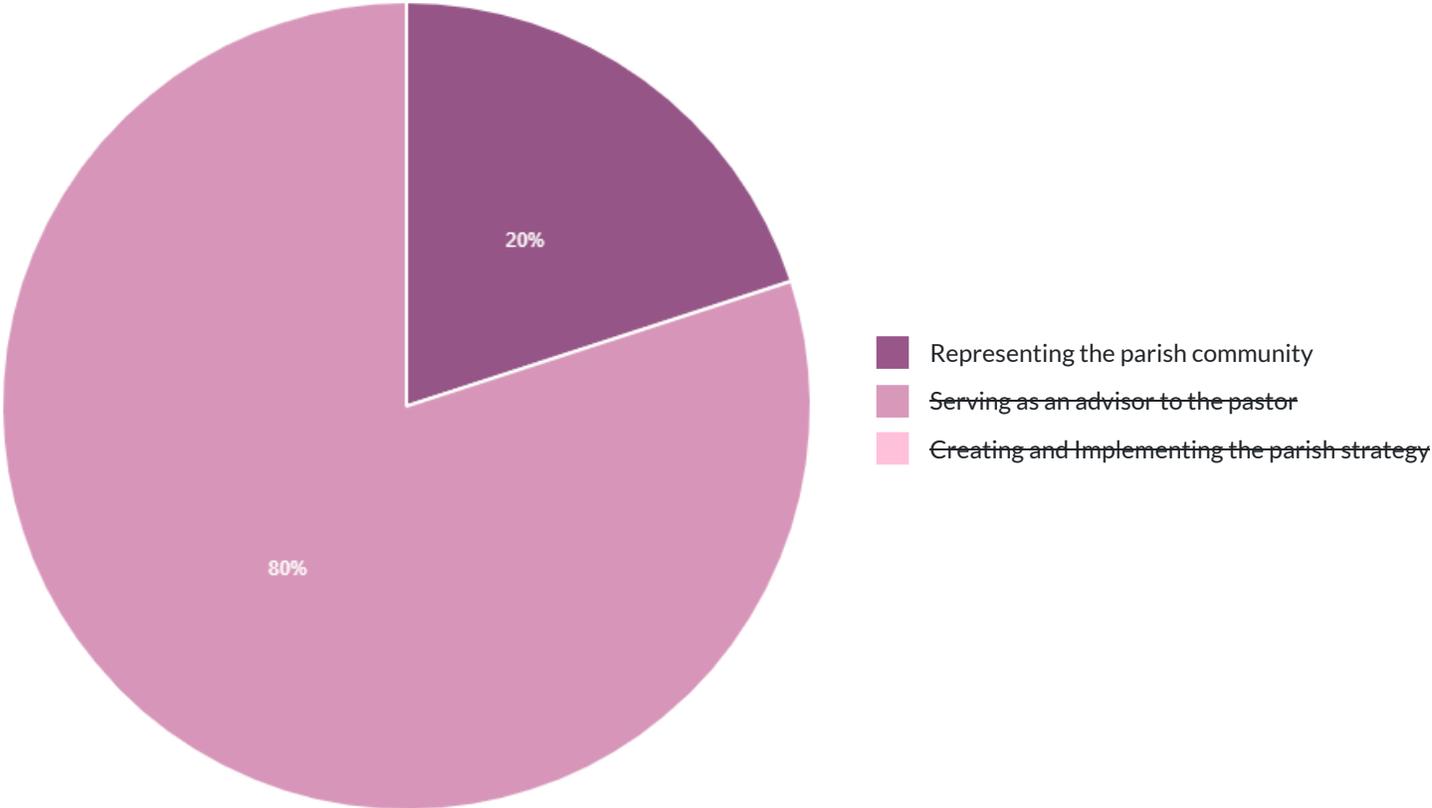
- 3 Knowledge

- 3 Desire to Grow Spiritually
- 1 Joy
- 1 Hope
- 1 Relevance
- 1 Call to Action
- 0 Truth
- 0 Love for Scripture

7. Besides the pastor and any other priests in the parish, who is the most visible staff member at the parish?



8. The most important role of the Pastoral Council is:



9. A bishop wears many hats. Select the **two** most important hats that he wears.

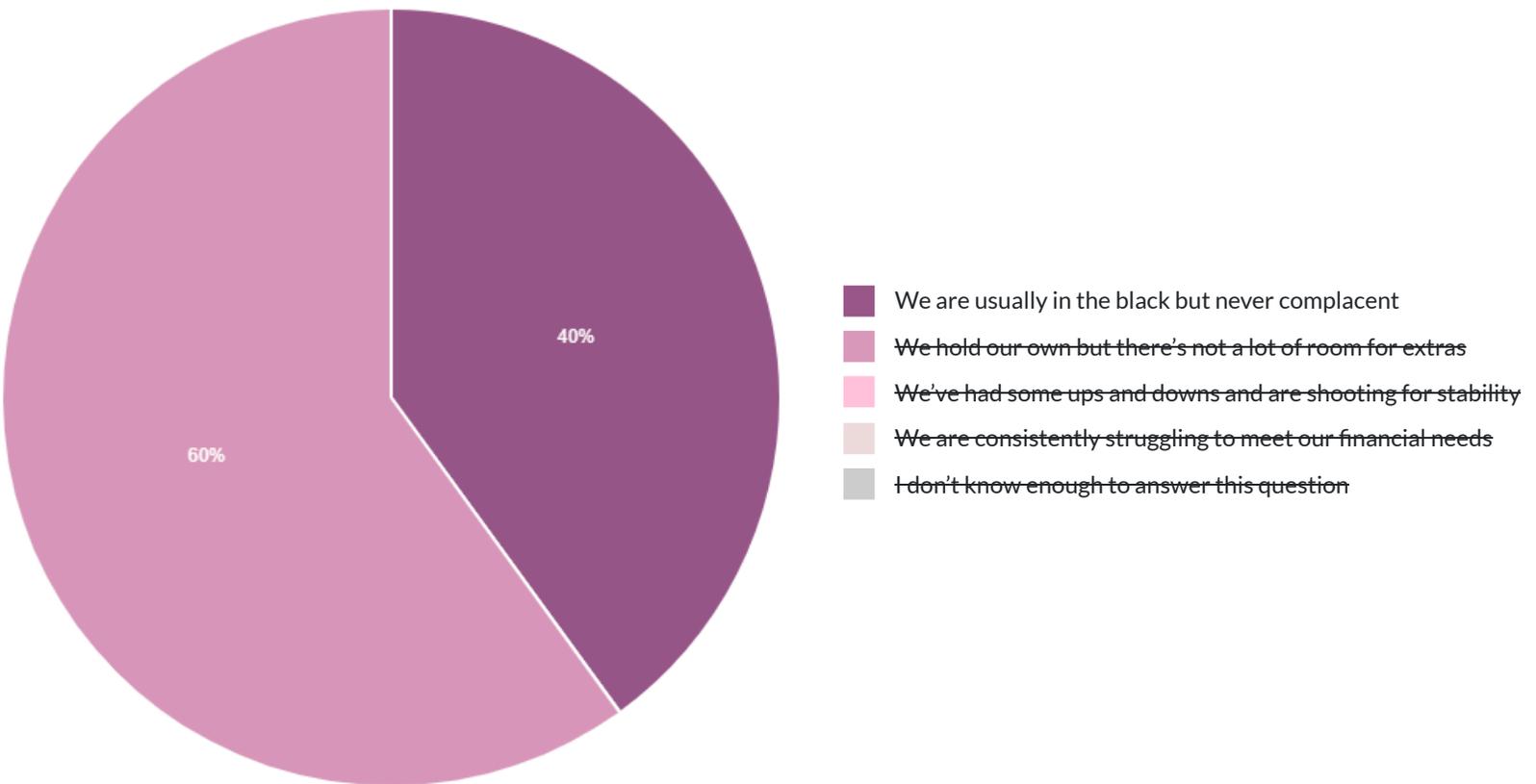
- 5 Spiritual shepherd to the faithful
- 3 The Chief Executive of the Diocese
- 1 Guardian of the faith
- 1 Voice of social conscience
- 0 Spiritual father to priests

## About the Parish

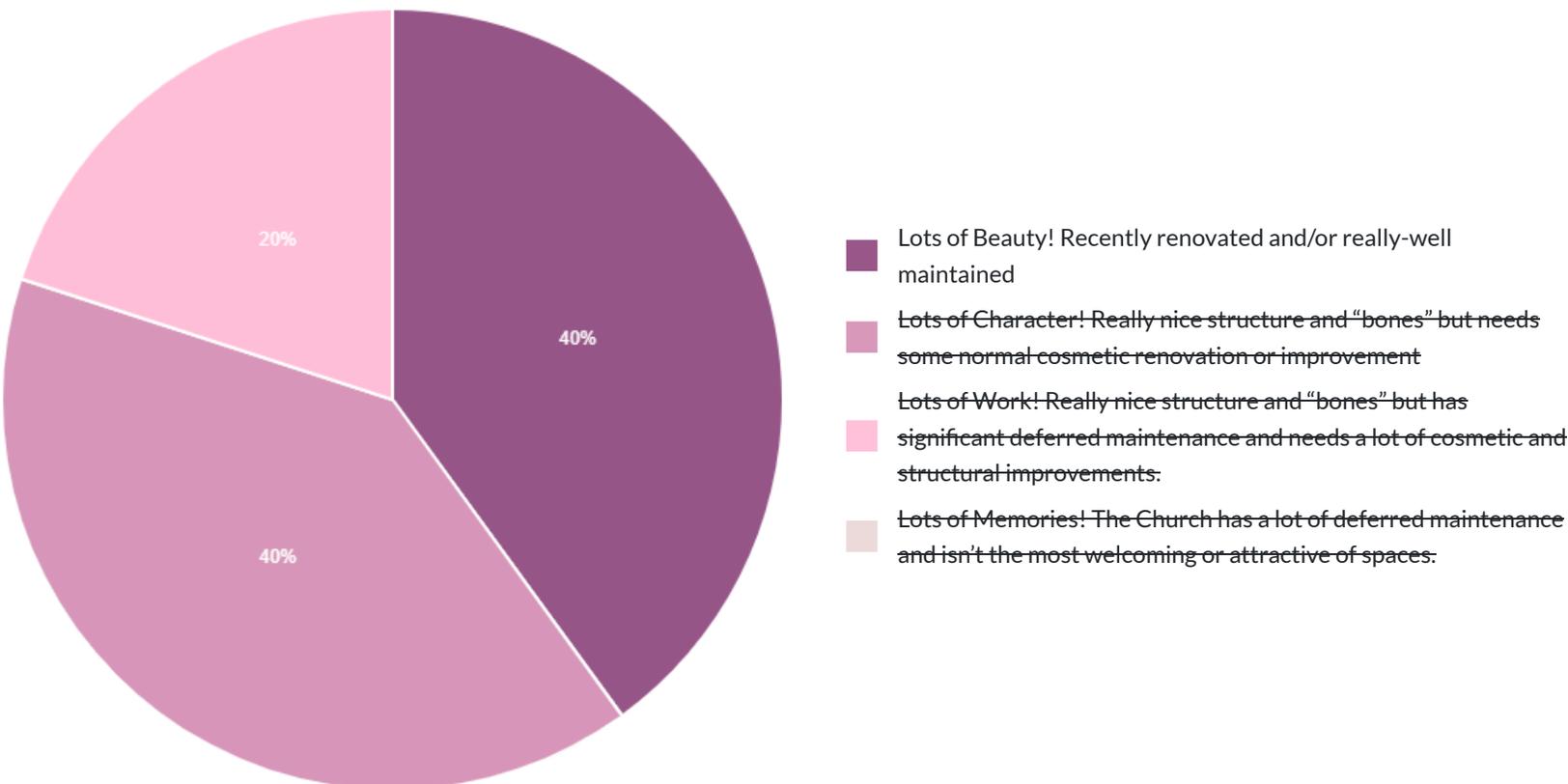
10. All parishes have opportunities for growth. If you could **only select 3 of the following things** that the parish needs more of, which would they be.

- 4 More young people involved
- 4 More volunteers participating in ministries
- 2 More clarity on parish vision, direction, and goals
- 2 More transparency (e.g. finances and decisions)
- 1 More money for parish needs
- 1 More catechesis on Church teaching
- 1 More inclusive spirit and welcome
- 0 More lay involvement in decision making and leadership
- 0 More paid professional staff
- 0 More contemporary forms of worship
- 0 More traditional forms of worship

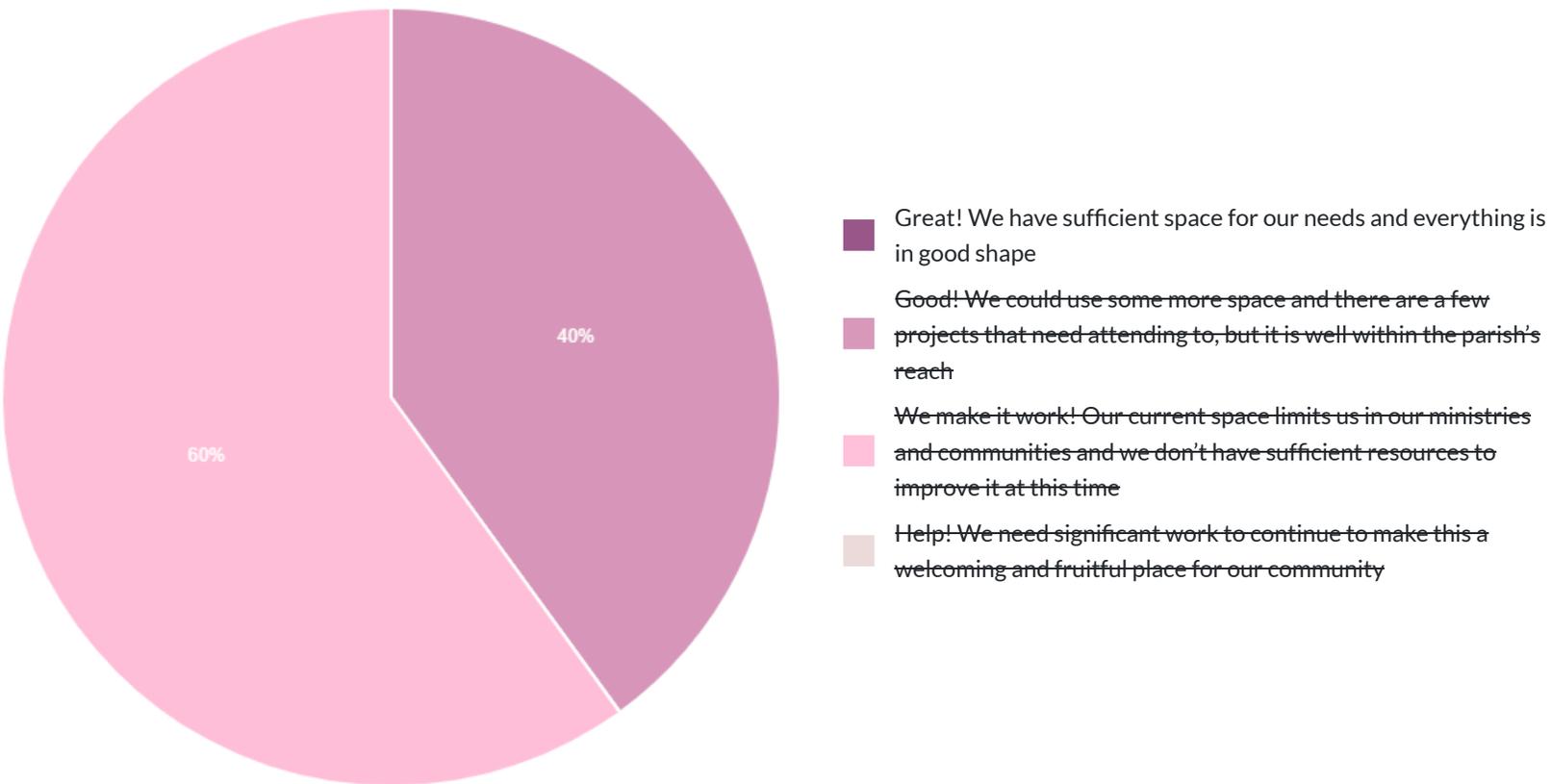
11. Which would best describe your assessment of the financial health of the parish?



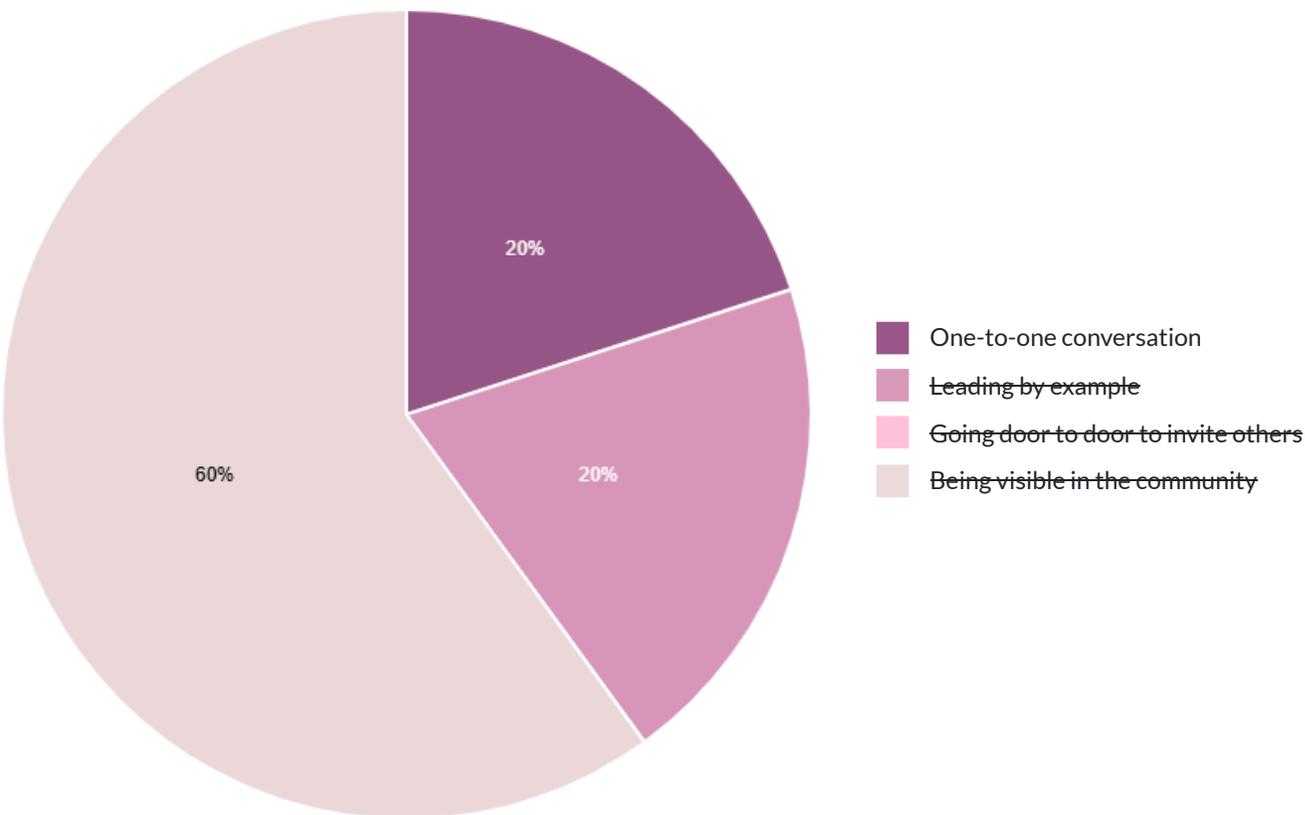
12. Which would best describe your assessment of the physical shape of your Church building?



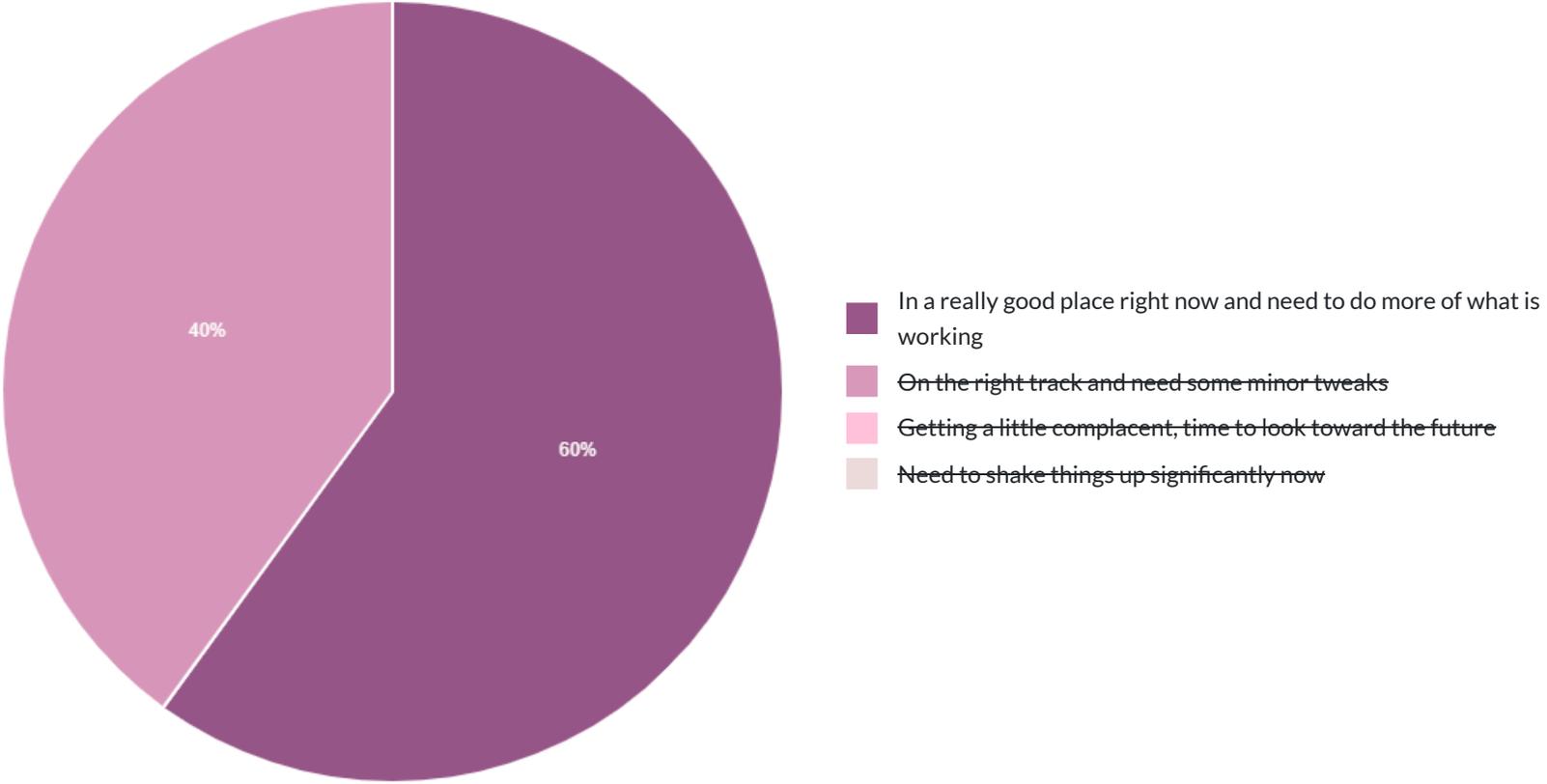
13. Which would best describe your assessment of the physical shape of the other buildings and property outside the Church building (e.g. rectory, parking lot, parish center, etc)?



14. What is your most preferred method of bringing others closer to Christ?



15. To what degree do you think your parish needs to change in order to best fulfill its mission in the next 5 years.



16. Rank **the community values** that would best describe the culture of your parish community. (1 being the highest preference to 9 being the lowest preference)

- 1.2 Access to the sacraments and worship
- 2.2 Parish Traditions
- 1.8 Social Justice
- 2.2 Diversity and Inclusion
- 2.4 Prayerfulness
- 2.6 Service and Outreach
- 2.6 Sharing the Faith with others
- 2.8 Family Focused
- 3.0 Stewardship