

Following are all Good Shepherd Parish Survey comments submitted through Saturday March 14, 2009 via the online survey (top of list) and via paper based forms (bottom of list)

ONLINE RESPONSES:	
1	I find Good Shepherd a most extraordinary community of faith. Welcoming. Nurturing. Challenging. Good balance between liturgy and activity. There is truly something for everyone. I do feel particularly strongly about the high quality of the homilies. They consistently connect where God was working then with where God is working today.
2	The brotherhood felt, and goodwill shown at Good Shepherd is outstanding.
3	The diversity of members in this parish is something I find quite delightful and very healthy. And, although Good Shepherd is no more perfect than any other parish I know, we try to pray well together and we also try to care well for the poor, the forgotten - for those in greatest need - that's the call of the gospel today!
4	The parish is not very friendly. It starts at the top. The pastor is unreachable and cold. He is also isolated and surrounded by people who do his bidding. If you are not in that small "clique", you are ignored. The music is terrible.
5	I fell it is a very friendly parish. I think our masses give you food for thought to take home each week. We have many activities to participate in which are worthwhile and meaningful. There are many ways to become involved in the Parish.
6	GS is was a vital part of my life. It is a truly vibrant inclusive parish. However, we have moved and I should be deleted from the e-mail letters. Thanks Mary Heinrichs
7	Very friendly and caring people.
8	I grew up with the parish and feel comfortable with it.
9	GS strives. It's not perfect but it continues to strive to be alive, organic, and relevant to ALL its members. Quite lofty ideal, but the willingness to believe an ideal can come to fruition makes our parish attractive!
10	I love the people at Good Shepherd. They care about other and about the Lord. I appreciate that the people at Mass are not bothered by my children asking a question or two and their childlike energy. I think that Good Shepherd does a good job of balancing the Lord's work with loving people.
11	I was a member for many years and have become disappointed with the liturgy's lack of innovation and the music's lack of enthusiasm. Homilies have become less relevant over the last few years.
12	We have always liked the community involvement at good shepherd.
13	Like the closeness of the church. Don't feel we are just one of many at the church. The music is wonderful. Very laid back environment.
14	I would recommend Good Shepherd parish for the wonderful sense of community I feel there. The parish is very involved in so many ways with outreach that you can truly feel you're making a difference in a sometimes very negative world. I would also recommend the parish because Father Mich is our priest, he is an excellent motivator and gives many thought provoking sermons. I like the more modern feel of our parish from the music to our open questions about our faith that are encouraged to help us all learn more.
15	I love the education that is available at Good Shepherd. I love the open mindedness of our Catholic Faith. The homilies are always good and they give us something to live by.
16	we like fr mich and all the deacons. they provide an enthusiastic thoughtful sunday

17	We are the very best Catholic Church. Father Mich, is a wonderful and gifted Priest we are so lucky to have him. Our Faith, the people are just so very nice and so caring for each other. We have so many programs for everyone. We have a really neat Church. We are so very proud to be members at Good Shepherd our Family Catholic Church. Faith, Family and Friends says it all.
18	As a parent with children I found it to be better when religion class was offered during the masses. Now, the children go to religion class and then need to stay for mass. For our family, we ended up going to church less as we were dropping them off and then picking them back up to go home as it got to be too long for the kids. Our children are older now and only one participates in religion classes. Everyone has their opinion on this topic but just wanted to share our thoughts.
19	Overall, Good Shepherd is a very friendly parish.
20	I like that the parish is concerned about justice issues. I am glad that there is an open mindedness in the parish.
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22	I find Good Shepherd to be a caring* community where Liturgy is of highest importance and well-done with reverence. Homilies are especially meaningful. We are not hounded for money. Giving is optional (though necessary). Opportunities for growth abound with such as "Spotlight", mini-courses, etc. I like the simplicity of the worship space. The music at the 11:00AM Liturgy is terrific. * Having said "caring", I have been concerned that recently I have met people who, for one reason or another, have lessened their participation in ministries in which they had been active. If I could put a name on their reaction it would be: "No one seems to care."
23	I like GS, but I think the Masses are too long, especially the long time the old & infirm have to stand for the consecration.
24	As life long Catholics we enjoy all of the Catholic churches we have attended. There is a different experience in every church. Some pastors speak with conviction and authority some do not. Some are good speakers and therefore good teachers some are not. Our pastor speaks with conviction which we appreciate.
25	I have been disappointed with the Christian Formation program at Good Shepherd. I also feel that more should be done to get the children involved in the community and strengthen their religion. I enjoy the small parish and community feel, but am disappointed with the lack of support for children's programming.
26	Total commitment of staff and members to our stated mission. Father Mich is the best.
27	community. We feel have always felt the spirit working through the people and the projects of the parish. We embrace the "mission" of the parish and the commitment of it's people. Many (25-30) of our good friends have left the parish over the last few years and that is a disturbing trend.
28	Inviting liturgies, well trained lectors, effective preaching, social justice focus, high participation in ministries, welcoming.
29	I love Good Shepherd because we are concerned about Social Justice, and though we are a Catholic Church, and though we may respect the institution, I often identify myself as a "non Roman" Catholic. I feel that Good Shepherd's philosophy and traditions, are the way the Church needs to lead its flock in the future.
30	Because of the friendliness of the parish.

31	I am confused as to the true purpose of this survey and feel that it is not specific enough. I enjoy the warmth of the people in this parish community, however, I feel there are many areas that need improvement. I participated in an extensive phone survey about our parish 1-2 years ago, however, we as a parish did not receive the results of that survey. I hope that this survey will lead into additional questions and open minds to ways in which we can improve as a parish community.
32	Good Shepherd has a variety of prayer types, a variety of support groups, a variety of learning opportunities, and a variety of ministries. The new Generations of Faith program is great for families. There is something for everyone.
33	I think the parish has a strong sense of community, dedication to caring for others, and a progressive Catholic vision.
34	Social Justice and Great People.
35	The belief in God with out all the decorations the People make the Church not the Priest
36	We feel comfortable with the liturgy. But would like to hear some different hymns instead of the usual selections.
37	We love the welcoming attitude and friendliness of members and staff. Fr. Mich is great - wonderful priest!
38	My family and I enjoy the congregation and faith formation very much.
39	It is a welcoming parish and it has many opportunities to participate in justice issues. Spotlight also offers an easy way to become educated.
40	I would recommend Good Shepherd because of the excellent Eucharist celebration and outreach programs.
41	Bob and I would recommend Good Shepherd to everyone. We love our church, GS does exactly what Jesus says we should do. We help everyone that wants help, our Pastor, FR. Mich relates to all of us, we love his Homilies, Sister Joann has beautiful music every weekend, and best of all, everyone makes you feel great, we are one happy Family. GS is a REAL church, we wouldn't change one thing.
42	A friendly parish with helpful members to spread the good word.
43	Everyone feels welcome. Less traditional than some churches. I like that.
44	I feel Good Shepherd Parish is a more liberal parish than some other parishes. Everyone is very friendly. The parish is concerned about world issues and tries to do things to help others, i.e. our sister parish in El Salvadore, the Guest House, etc.
45	Vibrant homilies. Very concerned about Social Justice.
46	Because it is an open and accepting parish to everyone.
47	Good Shepherd is a true community of people who care for one another and for the surrounding communities and their needs.
48	I would recommend Good Shepherd to another because I feel it has everything a parish could offer. You can become very involved to any degree you wish. Fr. Mich and all the Deacons make Mass very meaningful for me every week. The people are very friendly and it is very much a family atmosphere shared by all.
49	Because of its outreach to those in need. I like the many different programs offered such as the spotlight and G.O.F. Also like the different homilist at Sun liturgy
50	I like the choices in ministries to volunteer with.
51	Relaxed community faithful parishioners

52	You have got to be kidding. This survey is useless. Well, I guess I would recommend joining if the person liked a liberal, open church rather than a traditional conservative orthodox style. This is all you want to know? This is the only question you have? What good is this answer to you? We can hardly wait for the report on the results. It should shake the foundations of the church. You need some more imaginative people to put together the next survey. Why in the world does this have to be anonymous? What changes would you possibly make with one yes or no question. Obviously the person responding is a member or this would not have been sent to us.
53	The church is there for the people. Whether it is in education, opportunities to serve others, being able to join others in activities of giving time or talent and of course the chance to be a part of the many liturgies to honor our God.
54	Good Shepherd is a wonderful prayful community
55	This is a truly "Christian " church very outgoing and ready to serve God and each other of our sisters and brothers in Christ.
56	Welcoming atmosphere. Varied opportunities to participate.
57	For Father's homilies, the friendliness, as it feels family. It is convenient-no kneelers, good parking, ramp.
58	I find G.S. a welcoming and friendly parish. For the most part the worship is meaningful.
59	Friendly and social settings, however, find Fr. Mich to be selective in who he is social with and tends to have his favorites.
60	The Parish is very welcoming and we like the fact that is more liberal. It also has a great track record in using the money raised to support and do good deeds
61	Father Mitch Gay/Lesbian support group. I don't support this and do not believe the catholic church should either. Whatever these people do in their private lives is their business, but there is a time and a place for everything and this is not the place for this.
62	Vitality of members, good leadership, great programs!
63	The teaching moments before mass are outstanding. I have learned a lot in just those few minutes. Thank you Fr Mich!
64	The congregation is friendly and there are many ways to get involved. I don't think we always do the best job, though, of inviting people to try something new and/or help out.
65	An abiding commitment to social justice ministry.
66	It has a feeling of family . It nudges us to be socially responsible- There is something of interest to all members
67	Because it's a place where members "walk the walk" & not just "talk the talk".
68	Friendlyness generosity
69	Vibrant and caring community with social justice in the fore front.
70	I think Good Shepherd is a warm and very friendly church. Father Fran was great, and Father Mish is super !!!!
71	I have recommend Good Shepherd to several people. I enjoy the more liberal attitudes of this group. the people are usually quite friendly and willing to help others. Father Jose was very easy to listen to.
72	I like the size of the parish it is not too big. I have always felt very welcome. The liturgies inspire me.
73	Good Shepherd has changed a lot since we joined two decades ago and change is natural but we don't feel the sense of community that we used to. Mass's are missing a major component which is good, inspiring, joyful music.

74	I would invite people to experience the Good Shepherd community of caring people who live their faith by reaching out and helping other people.
75	I would recommend Good Shepherd because of its well-planned and vibrant liturgies, its hospitality, its longtime commitment to social justice, both financially and in solidarity with the poor, its exciting new lifelong formation program, Generations of Faith, and the wonderful people in the community.
76	I would recommend Good Shepherd Parish to anyone who cares about social justice and the needs of those who are not as blessed as themselves. I would also invite those who are not just looking for what a parish can give them but what they can give, in time, talent, and treasure, back to the greater community, nation, and/or world in which the Good Shepherd relates to.
77	Good Shepherd has programs that include all members of the family. This kind of programming helps the family and brings the family closer together
78	The feeling of family, openness and joy that you appear is strongly evident. One feels wanted both in body and voice.
79	many opportunities for service and education
80	Recommend: 1) We like the birthday, and special announcements before church. 2) like the ability to add a personal touch to the announcements at mass. 3) enjoy the music
81	I think Good Shepherd has a reasonably modern, liberal view of theology consistent with today's thoughtful Christian. The people there are quite friendly and welcoming
82	i like good shepherds liberal approach to our religion and mass. it is a very homey atmosphere. thank you
83	The Parish community is my family and because it means so much to me I just feel it would be that way for anyone new.
84	It is a wonderful community of really good people. I appreciate the honesty allowed to be freely expressed. I think Jesus would approve of us.
85	It's more comfortable and "warmer". I think the "prayerful silences after the readings disrupt the flow of the service...I know my mind wanders alot then. Also asking for prayers for the world and individuals is redundant. Those subjects are covered during the prayers just before. Also 99.99 percent of the time the petitioner can't be heard. I find the q&a before mass interesting BUT there too, most of the time the questions aren't loud enough.
86	Good Shepherd reminds me of what I read of the early Christian community - it is a people of "the way". Eucharist is presented as the source and summit, and us such sets up what we do as a people after we are sent and until we gather again. I find God at GS, and I am more aware of God because of GS! Thank you and may God continue to bestow blessings on this very special community.
87	I like the casual feel of the mass. I like the focus on social justice causes. It's more inviting than an "old school" catholic church.
88	very friendly place to worship
89	If one wanted inspirational music I would definitely not encourage them to join. The music is my one big complaint It is definitely lacking.
90	I think GS is a wonderful example of a community with a focus on inclusion and social justice. There are so many programs and opportunities for renewal and service. The liturgies, music and sermons all carry this same theme. I believe Jesus feels at home here, as do I.
91	ITS A CATHOLIC CHURCH FOR ALL THE PEOPLE
92	In some ways we are a very traditional parish, almost too conservative and in some ways we are very progressive. I haven't yet established my comfort zone and therefore would hesitate to recommend to someone else.

93	It is wonderful for seniors to walk down the ramp (after being greeted), and find room without kneelers and listen to dialog plus a wonderful homily and have people talk to you.
94	My family has been members since the beginning of Good Shepherd parish in 1957. I enjoy coming to Mass each Sunday for the liturgy and the fellowship with others members of the parish.
95	Our openness toward, concern for, and acceptance of all Gods people.
96	When I first joined Good Shepherd I was stunned by the friendliness of all the parishoners. I also like no kneelers. It saves alot of hips and knees in the long run and I personally believe we have less "fainters" because there are less severe position changes that can lead to fainting.
97	I think that we as a parish continue to be warm and welcoming. We continue also to be very social justice minded and that is a positive thing for me.
98	Good Shepherd is a very oen and welcoming community if Catholics. There are great opportunities for any age group to become involved in so that their spirituality can continue to grow.
99	I would recommend Good Shepherd Parish to others because of its emphasis on social justce for ALL.
100	Friendly, helpful,inspiring homilies,many ways to get spiritually involved.
101	Good Shepherd is a faith community committed to living out social justice. The leadership is shared due to a significant number of parishioners who have received formation at SFS. The adult opportunities for faith formation are wide, varied and worthwhile. It is a welcoming community.
102	Good Shepherd is a parish family that LIVES the Gospel via our outreach to others. Sunday worship and numerous continuing education opportunities for all age groups feed our family and reinforce our values. I always feel welcomed, regardless of how much or how little I participate at any given point in time.
103	It is a very welcoming parish.
104	Good Shepherd is in membership transition, these 3 questions do not address the issues. #3 should be segregated into music, liturgy, hospitality, and etc. not why or why not you would recommend Good Shepherd.
105	#2 General response - it would depend on what the person was looking for. We have a progressive pastor, great team and oppourtunities for spiritual growth, would like to see environment improvements, sound, visuals and more upbeat, enthusiastic music.
106	Good Sheherd Parish is a vital and dynamic community established on the principles of true Christianity.
107	Good Shepherd is a friendly parish. The homilies are very good, the music is good, and the Educational programs are good, as are other programs
108	There are a lot of things that I enjoy about Good Shepherd - small parish size, the availability of adult formation, the way funds are managed. I know that the childrens formation programs are changing but we really are not and have not for several years been able to provide a well rounded program for our youth. We have classes and volunteer work but not much as far as social activities that interest youth. We need more focus on youth. Also, I have a hard time sitting in the pew as a republican. I realize that Catholic Social Teaching should be our focus and that it does not always line up with Republican or Democratic ideals but I feel that issues such as abortion, marriage between 1 man and 1 woman, and other societal issues that would go against Democratic party ideals are not talked about. This is a real problem for me because we as a congregation are missing out on important parts of the whole truth. We really need to stretch ourselves in this way - by "We" I mean our clergy, our ministers, and our parish members.
109	This is a lively, progressive parish where all are welcomed to serious liturgy and action on social issues.

110	I am extremely displeased with the impending changes to the CF program. I plan to find a parish with a traditional CF program over the summer.
111	We have always felt very welcome at the parish.
112	Good Shepherd exudes togetherness and helping others. I sense this regularly and the giving/sharing is not because we are obligated by doctrine but because the parish really believes in it.
113	I would and do recommend Good Shepherd because of the faith community and all of the different ways that we can experience God in our lives.
114	I think that Good Shepherd is an awesome faith community. We go to the 11:00 mass and love the music and participation of the members of the church. I think that Good Shepherd is a caring faith community. We have made many friends there. My only complaint is that I don't think the sermons are kid/teen friendly. I like the fact that Wendy is getting middle schoolers involved in activities at Church. Hopefully, this will help kids stay involved and interested in their faith.
115	I would recommend Good Shepherd because it is a very welcoming community.
116	Kind & friendly staff and parish. Has a lot to offer including spotlight, and many ways to get involved and enrich the faith
117	Great sense of community. Not a big fan of the GOF.
118	It has always been a very inclusive and friendly parish.
119	Because of all the positive activities within the parish that enable members to find a way to live their christian life.
120	We've been members since 1960. Love the people and the parish.
121	Good Shepherd is such a welcoming parish. People are not judged and are accepted for who they are. People are like family.
122	We came to Good Shepherd primarily on the reputation of the religious education program. Our children are now grown. We have been a little put off at times due to some political views discussed during mass - although I respect everyone's right to their views I don't want them reflected from the pulpit
123	I find it to be a very involved parish and a welcoming community
124	I am a senior citizen and I find it hard to hold hands and hold arms during the our father without calling attention to myself. I like the ramp because it is hard for my husband to climb stairs. I like the sermons, the music and the friendliness of the parish.
125	I feel Good Shepherd has many adult programs to offer. I would recommend the church to older parishioners. I do not feel you have a strong youth program. We are new to the church and my son is in 8th grade.
126	I have a suggestion. It would be extremely helpful if before each song, the title was announced including the book and number. It's simple and less confusing for the parishioners. I know you have a board that posts the songs but if someone has any kind of visual impairment, the board is not useful.
127	Good people who work together with and for God!
128	Its a very caring christian community.

129	There are many reasons that I DO recommend Good Shepherd Parish to others. First and foremost, I think Fr. Mich is the best leader of any Pastor I've ever seen. The sermons are always so meaningful, he connects with people so well and has the courage to do things differently than the normal "Catholic" standard. Having recently moved to Slinger, and trying the parish here, I will definitely make the drive to the Falls, as Good Shepherd is where I call my home of faith. The music at the 11:00 mass is outstanding, even though it's not the mass time of my choice. The congregation is very friendly. Through the years, you get to know the faces and when volunteering for different functions, you get to know the wonderful people. Speaking of volunteering, I would definitely like to volunteer more at the parish, but working full time kinda gets in the way. I thank Fr. Mich and my fellow parishoners for all that is done to keep the focus on Good Shepherd's mission statement.
130	I love the vitality of the church,the music, and the friendly atmosphere
131	Good Shepherd is a sharing, caring church with community based outreach for all.
132	There is a special feeling there for me that enriches my soul. From Father Mich, the deacons, the great homilies, the music and last but not least the Good Shepherd community. They all rejuvenate my spirit and make me feel part of something bigger and greater.
133	<p>Many opportunities to get involved in social justice issues.</p> <p>Love, love, love the "Spotlight". A great opportunity for adult formation in small doses (as opposed to committing an entire weekend to a conference)</p> <p>Not confined to traditional Catholic doctrine. Able to discuss different religious views with others with open minds and hearts.</p> <p>I applaud the attempts of Ann and the gay and straight in Christ team for reaching out and trying to make the issues of our LGBT brothers and sisters more visable and strive for solutions.</p> <p>On the flip side, I think the main reason we can't get or retain members is because of our music. When talking to others, one of the main things they look for in a parish is dynamic, modern, upbeat music. For me, good music helps make worship so much more passionate.</p>
134	Good Shepherd is a warm, cozy, friendly parish with many opportunities to increase your faith and volunteer your time. I would highly recommend anyone explore the possibility of becoming a member.
135	Although, I would recommend Good Shepherd Parish I would like to say that we don't feel the same way about our church as we once did since the change came about that children could no longer have their christian formation class during mass times. We have not felt as happy or satisfied with our church since that change was implemented.
136	I have only been a member of Good Shepherd since last fall and am very comfortable there. Everyone is friendly and involved at mass.people greet you, smile and seem to care about each other. I am also please with the number social justice programs and attitude at the parish.
137	Good Shepherd Parish has been there wherever life's journey has taken me. I am thankful for my faith community who has shown me love and kindness in good times and given me strength and stability in times of need. I am truly blessed and would highly recommend Good Shepherd to anyone. "Life is amazing, love is enduring and a church family is forever".

138	I would recommend Good Shepherd. The list as to why is long but here are a few thoughts. GS is a place of grace - God seems to be there. Liturgy starts warm and friendly as a gathering of the people of God. All seem to know why they are there are are happy to be there. The Liturgy itself is always meaningful and reverential - yet not "over the top" with pomp and circumstance. The call to action to be faithfilled and faithful citizens is strong and constant. The pre-mass times are getting better and better educating us all and celebrating as a community as well. (Birthdays, anniversaries, etc.). The homilies are rich given the number of homilists and their different styles - all bring a thought provoking perspective. The ministries, activities, and opportunities to share time, talent and treasure are very diverse. I would have to guess there are 40 or 50 different kinds of things parishioners can get involved in. The leadership team is approachable and really interested in getting feedback and always seems to be trying new ways to help the community grow in faith. In summary, I think Good Shepherd is striving to be that "kindgom come on earth as it is in heaven" that we pray about all the time. Thank you all who are the part of the Body of
139	IT IS A NICE QUAIN T PARISH THAT IS ALWAYS TRYING TO IMPROVE AND OFFER OPPORTUNITIES TO SERV R OTHERS.
140	I don't feel as welcome as I have in the past.
141	We have never belonged to a Parish like Good Shepherd. The kindness , the openness, the strong feelings about living a life devoted to helping others is like no other. I wish we had joined years before when our children were young. My wife and I are very happy, Thanks to all of you for your continued kindness and understanding of us.
142	I am finding the changes in the parish are starting to finally put some focus on families and their faith formation vs always being for adults. I am pleased with the new Religious Education format that will be used next year. I hope more and more families continue to experience this program together as well as other parish events. My one wish would be to see a mass that was more family/kid friendly.
143	I love the camaraderie. I feel welcome. The liturgy makes sense to me. Fr Misch goes above and beyond in his effort to help me to understand the readings. GS has quite the talent pool in its ordained/lay ministers. Altho the kids ministry was lacking when my kids were in CCD (years ago), I always felt that Workcamp was an amazing opportunity that My kids truly loved and grew from. I love that there are always new initiatives/ programs going on for faith enrichment.
144	Ken's homolies are dull! Sisters's music is lifeless.Parish is full of caring, concerned christians. Would recommend only withe reservations.
145	I like Good Shepherd. I have been getting discouraged with the CF program. I do not like the rumor that GOF may be replacing actual class time with only GOF.
146	The parish is very friendly, feel welcomed. There is a lot of community involvment. Not much talk about money. Don't feel like I need a six figure income. A relaxed enviornment.
147	If someone was looking for a parish that believes in giving your all to others that is the person I would recommend Good Shepherd to.
148	Good Shepherd is a open welcoming parish, the people are non-judgmental of others. An example of this would be we have a gay/lesbian group. Also, Hope Network is there for unwed mothers. Good Shepherd is very active in social justice and outreach of the less fortunate.
149	We are use to the "old" way of saying mass and really don't like the hand holding and hugs, etc. To me, mass is not solemn enough ... it should be a serious celebration and doesn't always seem to be that. Thank you.
150	I like the openness and friendliness of the people. It is a more modern parish.The worship is very meaningful, however sometimes the talking before and after the service makes it too lengthy. Sometimes you lose interest if things are dragged out .

151	The staff is very competent and dedicated to serving our needs.
152	Too many reasons to mention. Will be leaving the parish soon.
153	It is such warm and inviting place to worship
154	Like the liturgy.
155	Good Shepherd is welcoming and friendly. The liturgies are Spirit-filled and Fr. Mich's homilies are challenging and great. The warm-up before mass is interesting.
156	The friendliness of the parish, the outstanding music at the 11:00 Mass, the fact that we are contemporary rather than "old fashioned".
157	The Good Shepherd community, Fr. Mich, the homilies, the deacons, the music at 11:00 mass all make the entire church experience uplifting.
158	We as a Church are very welcoming to new people
	Fr. Mich is an important reason. The parishners are friendly, warm and welcoming. We enjoy our child in the religion classes.
159	However, we would like to see improvement in the following areas: -increase in educational activities about other religions, the similarities and differences between christianity and other religions, catholics and other major christian churches etc. Also, informal group discussions with an educated well informed (hopefully an expert) in the field of mental health and common medical issues suffered by our young and old parish members. This will help us be more supportive and empathetic to others.
160	Modern, friendly, active in the community, progressive, good tunes.
161	Very family friendly, feel of a community, and accepting of everyone
162	The people.
163	Just one comment regarding how bread for communion is handled. It is not very sanitary to have so many people breaking (getting their hands on the bread) the bread apart before communion.
164	It is a very welcoming community
165	welcoming, community outreach, progressive
166	Being charter members, speaks for itself. We have had many dedicated people who have made our church a place to want to be a member. Good Shepherd is a helpful, faithful and friendly community.
167	The mass is very meaningful. I am worried about the children's education program. I'm not sure GOF is enough for our children. I think Father Ken should be more involved with our children's education. I hope Wendy will be able to connect with our youth. Our parish truly have missed Matt & Jeanie.
168	It is a vibrant community, very active in many areas. Fr. Ken is very outgoing, friendly, and is a good communicator.
169	I like Good Shepherd because they reach out to the poor, and help in the Milwaukee area,,like the guest house..
170	I have recommended Good Shepherd to others - good community of caring people.
171	I would recommend Good Shepherd to people without growing children. If a couple has children and want to be involved I would recommend St. James. I think it has more for youth and young families.-including other young families.
172	People are friendly.
173	Good Shepherd Church invites all individuals to participate, regardless of age, income, disability, ethnicity, etc. That is very important to me and my family.

174	We find that the parish is suffering from the music at liturgy. It seems as if many of active parishoners have left us for St. James' parish in Lannon and some even for St. Gabriel's in Hubertus. We ourselves have joined concurrently All Saints parish in Milwaukee concurrently with Good Shepherd.
175	I would recommemnd GS to another person and have done so in the past. People are friendly and the community is warm and welcoming. My main concern in asking others to join is the music. There are times when it is OK. but there are also times I would be embarrassed by it and probably be glad if I was not sitting nest to a first time person. I also enjoy the time and energy put into adult education and faith formation. At first I hated the social justice thrust but have grown to appreciate the impact it has had on my life and decision making.
176	Fr. Ken s homily. Great!!!! Friendly place. Positive and current thinking.
177	Good Shepherd is a warm,inviting,inclusive,spiritual community of parishners; People in attendance think of others and reach out to show the love of Christ to others within and beyond their community. Good Shepherd is a place where a person can find a variety of ways to express,challenge and inspire their faith journey.
178	I would recommend it although I have some reservations about the GOF program. I don't feel it is child based and therefore may not be the best place for young families.
179	The welcoming atmosphere of the people and general welcoming spirit of the people
180	I think that the parish has slowly been decreasing in numbers and there is not the 'variety' of parishioners that there used to be-it is so disappointing to see so few people in church at so many of the Masses. I no longer have young people in my family, except for my grandchildren and I just hope that the children and adolescents in our parish, do get more activities in the church to participate in than was available for my daughter 5 years ago. I said 'no' now because of above notes
181	Warm welcoming enviornment. Focus on Social justice and human concerns Excellent opportunities for adult exploration of faith. Spirited liturgy with excellent music.
182	Strong faith based community who is very welcoming to all.
183	Exceptionally caring, open, welcoming, socially & spiritually active,vital parish where we can really feel Christ's presence and challenges to us
184	Please, please do something about the music. People are not singing the way they should and would like to because the key is too high for most voices. We should be booming out those songs and we are struggling so to even sing along alittle bit
185	The parish is progressive, promotes social issues, welcoming, inspiring homilies, involvement of women in the liturgy, a perfect fit!
186	I think we are going in the right direction with Generations of Faith. I like meaningful homilies.
187	When we were looking for a parish in the area we went to a number of local Catholic Churches and founf Good Shepherd to be the most welcoming. I enjoy the homilies at Church and enjoy the mass style in general.
188	It is a very welcoming environment. The people are friendly and care about each other and the world.
189	Progressive, active, inclusive atmosphere
190	Friendly, welcoming atmosphere and people. Plenty of opportunity to be involved as much or as you're able. Always committed to a worthwhile cause.
191	I would recommend the parish because of the people, warm and friendly, the ministries and of course, the Pastor.

192	I would recommend Good Shepherd because of the wonderful people I know there. There are also a variety of ministries in which a person can get involved. GS offers an inclusive environment in which all people are welcomed.
193	The people are friendly, there are many opportunities to serve, the homilies are usually well thought out (and the pastor allows persons other than himself to give homilies), there is a genuine commitment to social justice, there is ample opportunity for education for adults and children, the Gay & Straight in Christ program is an example of G.S.'s welcoming and accepting attitude.
194	Friendly people. I like Father Mich
195	Good Shepherd is a caring community that seeks to communicate the message of Jesus; the parish's emphasis on social justice and outreach are especially attractive. The liturgical life at GS is nourishing to the extent that it has (can) embrace a progressive and Spirit guided ministry. We applaud the parish's efforts to encourage & educate members.
196	I would recommend Good Shepherd Parish because the people are friendly, the staff is most efficient and the parish is involved in good works.
197	I believe that Good Shepherd Parish is the most inviting, and involved faith community I've ever encountered in the diocese. By involved, I mean it's members (and staff) are fully engaged with, and caring of, one another, and with our liturgies and parish programs.
198	It is a very warm and hospitable community. Its parishioners seem to go out of their way in so many different areas to be of help and service to others.
199	GS is a very social justice minded parish. I think it portrays what a person's life should look like. GS expands your mind in thinking about God in a very personal way. The homily is very soul searching and I like the ability to have the deacons, Jane Claire and Ken present them giving different personal perspectives. I have been a member since 1965, and there are 2 things that keep us from fulfilling our mission statement, they are the music which is not particularly joyful and the feeling that we are somewhat returning to pre-vatican times rather than being open to more progressive and less structured liturgies.
PAPER BASED RESPONSES:	
200	Good Shepherd does a great job in its effort to welcome its members and to reach out to others. There are many new efforts to keep the good news that Jesus preaches fresh and relative to the people of today. There are many activities for the young families in the parish which is great. As a senior citizen, I tend to not participate in the various opportunities offered.
201	I would recommend Good Shepherd Parish to anyone in search of a family to belong to. Where imperfections are overlooked and Friendship is one of our greatest attributes. Easy access is one of our primary attractions but our religious leadership is tops. What more can be said?
202	The liturgy is beautiful and uplifting. Father proclaims the prayers, etc. with natural and forceful expression that conveys great meaning and is easy to pay attention to. I like that he sometimes reminds us of our role as the offering symbolized by the "work of our hands" the bread and wine. It is brought from and by members of the congregation to the altar, to be changed into Jesus, our gift to the Father and also help for us to "put on the face of Christ" in our dealings with one another in the world of work and play. The congregational singing is beautiful and usually strong. The singers, musicians and directors do a great job. The outreach and social justice work of the parish is exemplary. Religious education of the children is innovative. The breaking open of the Sunday readings from the Bible in the homilies by all of our preachers is excellent. We are very lucky to have so many professional staff and volunteers to help carry out the mission of our parish.
203	Upgrade the music at the Masses.
204	Excellent liturgies, opportunities for lay people to take on roles of leadership

205	Father Mich makes the words of scripture come alive and relevant to today. The readers and acolytes are reverent and perform their duties smoothly within the flow of the Mass. The parish outreach keeps us all aware of the world "out there" while fostering the feeling of community. Keep it up and Thank you.
206	I really enjoy and learn from the homilies. The church is very comfortable and makes the service enjoyable.
207	Because I like everything about the church
208	I am very satisfied with Good Shepherd parish. I am in my eighties and not very active in the church.
209	Wonderful ministries, outreach programs and contribution choices. Please add Protection of Unborn Babies (an anti abortion message) via verbal or bulletin messages, ministry or outreach contributions.
210	I like the many ways our church community reaches out to those in need. The worship space is comfortable clean and well kept. Good Shepherd's people are for the most part friendly. I have one negative comment, the statue of Mary does not fit in well with the church décor. Why start with statues at this late date?
211	Good Shepherd is a social justice oriented parish. We spend money on people, not bricks. The members are spirited. The sermons are superb (Fr. Mich and Sandy).
212	Meaningful weekend liturgies where the Scripture readings are profoundly explained by Fr. Mich, Deacons Gene and Sandy and HC Director Jane Clare. It is wonderful to get homilies from 4 different parish leaders. Nearly all liturgies are joyously celebrated by the whole GS community. Participation is contagious. Availability of adult education outside of Sunday liturgies. Social Justice issues can be followed up on in many different ways. GS contributes generously to many social justice causes. Homilies are meaningfully presented in concise 10 minutes Homilies are so well prepared to speak and break open the word. Availibility of good effective support groups. Funeral Masses are wonderful celebrations of the deceased life.
213	There are many groups in which anyone can participate in the work of the parish. It is active in human concerns because so many wonderful people need help of various kinds.
214	Because of the economy I was considering moving. The number 1 reason I am staying is because I would miss Good Shepherd for the reasons listed. Here I am growing towards Christ. Very spirited filled liturgy and liturgical activities, inclusive, Fr. Mich, social justice activities, Fr. Jose, Bible and more, friendly people, GOF, Sunday bulletin, monthly letter, use of Eschweiler funds, corn roast, library, Fireside outing, Jane Clare and our Deacons, all the human concerns activities. This parish has become very important in my life.
215	I have been a member since 1976, so I'm not very objective. However, I make Good Shepherd my church home for many reasons. First-I am very comfortable with the choice to put our money into outreach instead of bricks and mortar. The worship space is comfortable- not like the oversized barn at St. James. Second- Each of our pastors- Eschweiler, Daniels, Mich- have been inspiring. Great theological background delivered in and understandable way. Third- The enthusiastic community of long-term members makes GS a very comfortable place to worship.
216	Good Shepherd is a welcoming friendly community. The liturgies are reverent and the readings are don so articulately, slowly and reverently. Music is improving! The homilies are especially well done no matter whether it's Fr. Mich, Sandy, Gene or Jane Clare. We are so fortunate to have meaningful homilies that make the Gospe & Readings come alive and relate to our lives. I love the Social Justice & Discipleship emphasis in our prayer actions. Funerals are done superbly! We are so fortunate to have a wonderful parish like Good Shepherd. We will continue to spread the word and "The Word".

217	We attend 4:30 Mass on Saturday & those of us that attend are like a family. I know there is no seat saving but we all sit in the same pew each week. If someone isn't there & the same the next week we all call to see why ou didn't make it to Church! Are you sick or do you need a ride? We are there for each other. I've heard the comment that the Sunday goers wish they did that on Sunday's. Like we say 4:30 is a family & we all look ot for one another! Don't thik we (hsband & wife) would fin tthis at another Parish! While Fr. Ken was gone, Fr. Jose just fit right in with us. God Bless.
218	I would like to thank Fr. Mich for his convictions and dedication. He inspires & encourages the community to live the Mass. Through Him - in Him - with Him. Thus our good works are acceptable to God. For this & other reasons I would recommend GS.
219	<p>LIKE: > Like the open/accepting attitude. Example: gay & straight ministry, divorced, widowed, social justice focus. >Really like GOF much better than CF classroom format. Our kids even look forward to each session. Really like the take home kits and program variety. >Like when Fr. Mich opens Mass by answering questions about our faith - keep this to once a month. >Like options of easier ministries like greeters, prayer chaing, etc... Nice way for busy people to contribute. >Like Elizabeth ministry opportunity. >Like the planned field trips to nature center, plays, art museum, etc. > Like family game night - although haven't been around to attend. >New Youth Minister - hope she sticks around! >Besides House of Peace at Christmas, can we do a Summer driver for donations of gift cards? Do gifting in the off-season to provide more year round suport. >Like involvement of young people as ushers and communion ministers. NEEDS ATTENTION TO IMPROVE: >Welcome to new members - maybe introduce them quarterly & invite people for juice/cookines in D. Hall to meet them. > Have orientation to parish & parish projects for new members. >Use labrynth -maybe instead of prayer corner after Mass have prayers at Labrynth once a month weather permitting. >Christmas children's liturgy/Mass - missed Deacon Sandy this year!</p>