



PASTORAL RENEWAL SURVEY

"MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE, I KNOW THEM,
AND THEY FOLLOW ME." - JOHN 10:27



May 15, 2024

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Since October 4, 2023, the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi, we have embarked on a journey of pastoral renewal in the Diocese of Calgary. This renewal invites all members of our Diocese to focus ourselves and the parish communities on three areas of pastoral priority: 1) to be formed as missionary disciples of our Lord; 2) to be a Church of encounter and witness; and 3) to strengthen family life.

An essential step of the renewal journey involves gaining insights into our current pastoral reality and acknowledging the ways in which the Lord has been active in our lives and within our parishes. To facilitate this process, the Diocese has partnered with the Flourishing Congregations Institute at Ambrose University in Calgary to develop the Pastoral Renewal Survey, inviting your valuable input.

Your voice matters! You are invited to participate in a ten-to-fifteen minute online survey at the end of Mass during the weekend of June 1-2, 2024.

This survey is open to any parishioner in the Diocese aged 18 years or older. Participation is completely voluntary and your confidentiality will be maintained.

Please know that no one in your parish or Diocese will have access to individual responses; all responses are being collected by the Flourishing Congregations Institute, and we will have no way of linking responses with individuals.

Upon completion of the survey, a report will be generated for each parish and for the Diocese as a whole. These findings will be accessible to all participants through the parish and Diocese. Your valuable participation in this survey will help us to better understand and support you, our parishes, and the Diocese on our journey of conversion and renewal.

- We encourage all parishioners to bring a portable electronic device (e.g., cell phone, iPad) to complete the online survey at the end of Mass during the weekend of June 1-2, 2024.
- For those who prefer a paper option, copies will be available.
- If you are unable to attend and participate that weekend, the survey will remain accessible online via the parish's website until June 14.

Thank you for considering this request and for your continued dedication to our parish. May God bless you abundantly.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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