

Facilitator Guide "What are our gifts?"

Estimated time: ~60 minutes

Please be sure to make space for everyone to share their thoughts, while also keeping an eye on the time. Start with very brief introductions, pose the first question, and then invite people to take a few moments of silence before sharing begins.

Round One

Round One - 20 minutes

Each person shares once with equal time for each participant.

• How have your experiences in our parish (and your experience of the parish's gifts and charisms) brought you closer to God? What has been the spiritual impact of your participation in our parish?

Round One Summing Up -3-5 minutes

Each person shares once. This could be one word or one sentence.

• What did I hear? What is one main theme that is staying with me from listening to what people shared?

Short Break - 5 minutes

Read the next prompt and allow a short break to reflect and stretch.

Round Two

Round Two - 20 minutes

Each person shares once, with equal time for each participant.

• If you had to describe the main gifts and charisms of our parish to a newcomer in one sentence, what would you say? What is your favorite part about being a parishioner? What stands out to you as something to be proud of?

Round Two Summing Up 3-5 minutes

Each person shares once. This could be one word or one sentence.

• What did I hear? What is one main theme that is staying with me from listening to what people had to share?

Free Conversation in Small Groups - at least 10 minutes or remaining time Facilitator closes by inviting feedback.