

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH – PARISH COUNCIL

SYNOPSIS OF PARISHIONERS' COMMENT FOR SYNOD

- DRAFT 1A – Comments not included in Draft 1

Liturgy

Miscellaneous

- Spirituality – Catholic faith has not been taught well and “watered down” a softly softly approach. (“People are left to figure out themselves questions concerning morality” has been collated with Spirituality – For Improvement)

Facilities/Finances

- Parish support (financially) is topping up school building of CLiC.
- Supporting St Patrick’s primary and St Leo’s education.

Parish/Community

- Being once 2 parishes and being 30 min away from each other does not help build community.
- Changing community – more transient/remote – business of life.
- Practise our faith by example.
- Encourage older Catholics.
- More interests for those that are not involved at present (I would like to be more involved than I am).
- Not meeting the needs of the congregation.
- Non commitment to Sunday Mass.
- Might get crowded.
- Restoring respect for the Catholic Church.
- Perhaps further amalgamation into a wider (less personal) “parish”.
- Hope St Patrick’s and St Bernard’s are able to continue with current Mass times.
- Growing the Liturgy.
- Constant changes to Mass (some objectionable).
- Integration of the new Roman Missal into our Liturgy.

Youth

- Lack of respect mostly from youth.

Miscellaneous

- Liturgy that inspires – regardless of the new Roman Missal.
- Putting the boom gate down on communion against those “non-Catholics” despite whether they have been called by God or not. “Happy are those ...”.

Facilities

- Immediate upkeep of the parish.
- Tiles in driveway are broken.
- Lighting is poor.
- Area where playgroup held needs to be “childproofed” – not safe enough for children to attend.

Financial

- Funding – Catholic education for large families.

School

- Is Catholic education in schools the only main way to get children active in the parish?
- Improvement in the education standard of the parish school.

Outreach/Social Justice

- We have social justice committees – need to make social justice integral to the way we live.