

United By Faith

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Parishioner Survey Results By Percentage

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The results of the December survey regarding the potential projects for our three parishes have been tabulated. (It did take a good bit of time.) The Pastoral Councils will use the results as a guide to design a Master Plan for each parish. We thank all those who took the time and made the effort to share their thoughts through this survey.

Parish affiliation:	St. Michael	St. Joseph	Sacred Heart	Not indicated
number of surveys returned	56	161	66	38

Each parishioner, regardless of parish affiliation, was asked to complete the full survey. There were a number who opted to answer some but not all of the questions; this was most acceptable. Opinions fell into one of six (6) responses as shown below. Any unmarked questions were tabulated as a “don’t know” response which indicated no opinion.

SA = Strongly Agree **A** = Agree **N** = Neutral **D** = Disagree **SD** = Strongly Disagree **DK** = Don’t Know

How we arrived at the percentages: The **SA & A** numbers add up to a “support the item” total; the % is compared to the total parish surveys. Likewise, the **D & SD** numbers give a “reject the item” total, and that % is also compared to the total parish surveys. Only parishioner surveys from their home parish are used to arrive at the percentages and prioritizing. We do offer the percentage from the non-parishioner surveys for sake of comparing how the rest of the cluster responded.

Here is an *example* from the survey to help you understand how percentages were calculated:

I. A. 3. The restrooms (St. Michael Parish Hall) are in need of some renovation to be adequate and ADA code compliant. The answers tallied as follows:

	SA	A	N	D	SD	DK
St. Michael	30	18	5	2	0	1
St. Joseph	56	68	9	0	1	27
Sacred Heart	19	20	2	0	0	25
Not indicated	12	18	4	1	1	2

St. Michael: **SA & A** = 48, thus, 48/56 (total surveys for St. Michael) = 85.71% support this item.

St. Michael: **D & SD** = 2, thus, 2/56 = 3.57% reject this item.

[the 5 “neutral” and 1 “don’t know” neither support nor reject the item]

The other responses (St. Joseph, Sacred Heart, and Not indicated): **SA & A** = 193/265 = 72.83% and **D & SD** = 3/265 = 1.13%

As you see, 38 surveys did not indicate any parish affiliation. These responses and comments were given the same importance as were the surveys with affiliation indicated, but could not be added to the percentages of parishioners when determining support or rejection for particular parish projects.

On the parish website under “United By Faith” you can find the document “Parishioner Survey Tabulation” similar to this one with the actual tally of responses as shown in the example. *This report* presents the survey results according to the *percentage* of support for the various elements of the various projects. This will give an easier way of seeing the priorities of parishioners as indicated by their responses.

This report will list the major projects as prioritized by the parishioners of each parish, then list the project items ranked by percentage of support. The percentages of support and rejection will be listed on the right side. Percentages in () show the response from the non-parishioner surveys. Where there are “ties” in support, the percentage of rejection will determine ranking. Where both of these are tied, non-parishioner support will determine ranking.

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I. St. Michael Parish (including St. Mary’s Church)

The overall priority for the various projects for St. Michael Parish.

Parishioners numbered from 1 to 6 the order of priority for each project.

The numbers in parentheses “()” are a composite of the rating given on the survey – 1 = 6pts; 2 = 5pts; 3 = 4pts; 4 = 3pts; 5 = 2 pts; 6 = 1pt. Highest total means a first priority continuing down to lowest total given the 6th priority.

	St. Michael	St. Joseph	Sacred Heart	Not indicated
A. St. Michael Parish Hall	1st (270)	2nd (659)	2nd (211)	3rd (128)
B. St. Michael School building	3rd (205)	4th (465)	4th (155)	4th (104)
C. St. Michael Rectory w/ kitchen	4th (204)	3rd (473)	3rd (168)	2nd (165)
D. St. Michael Church & parking lot	2nd (243)	1st (703)	1st (262)	1st (171)
E. St. Mary’s repair	5th (112)	6th (205)	6th (75)	6th (51)
F. St. Mary’s surrender	6th (103)	5th (255)	5th (99)	5th (64)

1st Priority: St. Michael Parish Hall

The hall is the most utilized building at St. Michael after the church itself. The festival, meetings, retreats, organization dinners, wedding receptions, bereavement meals, and the like are ongoing. So there is a need to renovate as well as maintain the condition of the building for optimum use. Please evaluate these various elements of the proposed renovation of the hall.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	The restrooms are in need of some renovation to be adequate and ADA code compliant.	85.71 (72.83)	3.57 (1.13)
2nd	The heat and air system needs to be renovated to provide better distribution and to reduce consumption costs.	85.71 (61.13)	3.57 (4.91)

3rd	Metal fatigue due to age requires the replacement of the sheet metal walls and roof of the building.	85.71 (63.40)	8.93 (3.40)
4th	The kitchen needs to be updated to be more functional for food preparation and better serving.	83.93 (58.49)	7.14 (3.40)
5th	Renovation of the electrical system is needed for safety as well as for better function and appearance.	82.14 (64.15)	7.14 (2.64)
6th	A sprinkler system needs to be installed in the hall for added safety.	76.79 (48.68)	8.93 (11.32)
7th	Parking that is more convenient for use of the hall needs to be provided somehow.	71.43 (55.09)	10.71 (7.55)
8th	An extended covering off the front of the hall can be constructed to provide a "drop-off" space in times of bad weather.	71.43 (50.94)	14.29 (10.19)
9th	Better windows for more natural lighting need to be installed if the walls are replaced.	66.07 (49.43)	14.29 (13.21)
10th	The sound system in the hall needs to be updated.	66.07 (36.23)	14.29 (12.08)
11th	A "drop ceiling" could be installed at 12 to 14 feet above the floor to better insulate and reduce utility costs for the building.	64.29 (55.85)	10.71 (10.57)
12th	The floor of the hall should be worked on to make it more durable and enhance its appearance.	64.29 (42.64)	10.71 (11.70)
13th	The stage area can be reduced and storage rooms constructed on either side as a place for the tables and chairs when not in use.	60.71 (51.32)	16.07 (9.81)
14th	Sheetrock walls can be installed to enhance the overall appearance of the interior.	58.93 (47.55)	14.29 (12.45)
Items below 50% support will most likely not be part of the Master Plan because of the lack of overall support, especially where rejection is stronger than support.			
15th	An open air pavilion should be constructed between the hall and the school building for the festival and other activities.	39.29 (33.96)	35.71 (22.26)
16th	Office space should be added to the hall for easier access than that provided by the school building.	37.50 (22.64)	35.71 (25.66)
17th	The hall should be redesigned to be used for religion classes so not as much money needs to be spent on the school building.	28.57 (33.58)	39.28 (20.00)

2nd Priority: St. Michael Church and parking lot

The church itself, even though it has gone through restoration and roof replacement, is still in need of attention. These ideas have surfaced for parishioner consideration.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	Preservative maintenance needs to be done, such as, painting door and window trims and treatments.	96.43 (66.79)	0.00 (4.15)
2nd	The refurbishing of the sacristy was suspended some years back, and this needs to be finished.	87.50 (58.87)	0.00 (4.53)
3rd	The parking lots, both in front of the church and the school need attention, such as, some resurfacing (asphalt overlay), some clean up, and re-striping to help make parking more efficient.	83.93 (70.94)	3.57 (3.40)
4th	There is a need to provide several handicap parking spaces on the east (Courthouse side) of the church near the ramp.	80.36 (74.34)	7.14 (1.89)
5th	The kneelers are difficult for many people and need to be designed to be attached to the pews so they can be lifted out of the way.	58.93 (72.08)	23.21 (7.92)
6th	The sidewalks need to be repaired and widened.	53.57 (54.34)	23.21 (7.55)
Items below 50% support will most likely not be part of the Master Plan because of the lack of overall support, especially where rejection is stronger than support.			
7th	Much of the exterior landscaping was removed, so now the church needs attractive landscaping to beautify our grounds.	48.21 (38.11)	30.36 (12.45)
8th	The organs, pianos, and keyboard all need to be refurbished or replaced for the sake of better music in worship.	46.43 (35.47)	28.57 (13.58)
9th	A new steeple should be erected to replace the one destroyed by Hurricane Betsy some 50 years ago.	39.29 (35.09)	42.86 (23.02)
10th	Some form of covered drop-off space needs to be created and covering provided between the church and parish hall.	32.14 (40.00)	35.71 (18.87)
11th	Because the choir loft is so small, it needs to be expanded and provided with some appropriate form of emergency exit.	30.36 (40.75)	44.64 (16.60)
Items with 50% or more rejection will definitely not be part of the Master Plan because parishioners have shown they reject these ideas; there is a clear lack of support.			
12th	The pews need to have more space for people to enter and exit.	25.00 (38.87)	50.00 (19.25)

3rd Priority: The St. Michael School building

The school building is a significant part of the parish history and is still utilized for religion classes, retreats, meeting space, and the deacon's office. When and if the repairs needed are accomplished, this building could be used for even more purposes and activities.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	Because of water erosion under the building, there is a need to replace a number of piers and sills to support and re-level the building. This would be needed just to preserve the integrity of the building.	78.57 (47.92)	14.29 (14.34)
2nd	The bathroom spaces need to be fully repaired so they can be usable after the renovation is accomplished.	71.43 (49.06)	19.64 (11.32)
3rd	Because of the un-level floors, many doors, windows, and sections of flooring need major carpentry work to be restored.	67.86 (42.64)	16.07 (12.08)
4th	The concrete porch is just about beyond repair. It can be replaced with a lighter and better structure that would reduce strain on the building's foundation.	66.07 (49.06)	21.43 (12.08)
5th	Because of its use for religion classes, it would be wise to install a fire alarm system for the safety of children, teachers, and others.	64.29 (52.45)	17.86 (11.70)
Items with 50% or more rejection will definitely not be part of the Master Plan because parishioners have shown they reject these ideas; there is a clear lack of support.			
6th	The current functions of the school building should be added to the parish hall and the school itself torn down because it is too expensive to be renovated.	26.79 (31.32)	51.79 (21.51)
7th	It may be possible, because of all the foundational work which needs to be done, to move the whole building further back on the property so that more parking could be offered for the church and parish hall. This option should be considered.	16.07 (30.19)	51.79 (24.91)

4th Priority: St. Michael Rectory and attached Kitchen building

These buildings are still utilized even if a priest is not in full-time residence. At the moment the Jesuits of Manresa are renting the rectory while their residence is undergoing renovations. As well, our own priests stay there from time to time, and it is similarly used for visiting priests. The kitchen building is part of the history of the parish, and is primarily used for storage and a few other church purposes.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	Exterior maintenance needs to be done on doors, windows, shutters, steps, and the like to maintain the buildings.	87.50 (53.58)	3.57 (5.28)
2nd	Because it is still utilized by the priests the carport needs to be repaired or replaced.	73.21 (50.57)	14.29 (7.17)
3rd	Handicap access needs to be provided for the rectory itself.	66.07 (48.30)	16.07 (6.04)
Items below 50% support will most likely not be part of the Master Plan because of the lack of overall support, especially where rejection is stronger than support.			
4th	The interior of the kitchen building could be "guttled" and re-purposed, albeit there is no simple way to make it handicap accessible.	41.07 (26.79)	19.64 (12.08)

5th Priority: St. Mary's church building repair

Even if parishioner demographics and the availability of priests suggest that weekly and/or regular use of the building is unlikely, St. Mary's church building remains the responsibility of St. Michael Parish. There are occasional requests for funerals and weddings, but because of disrepair, the building is currently not useable. To preserve the building with its historical significance and potential use repairs need to be undertaken.

Please note: none of the items for St. Mary's received 50% support nor 50% rejection. There appears to be inadequate interest to do anything at this time.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	The roof is aged and has extensive damage, so it needs to be repaired but most likely replaced.	48.21 (19.25)	23.21 (23.02)
2nd	Extensive carpentry repairs to walls, windows, doors, and such need to be undertaken.	44.64 (16.98)	25.00 (22.26)
3rd	The floor throughout the church needs serious attention, possibly removing the carpet and returning to the original hardwood floor.	42.86 (18.49)	23.21 (24.53)
4th	Walkways and exterior steps and railings need repair and/or replacement.	42.86 (16.98)	25.00 (23.77)
5th	Electrical and plumbing systems need to be updated for efficiency and safety.	39.29 (17.74)	25.00 (23.02)
6th	The heating and air system are likewise in need of major repair and/or replacement.	37.50 (16.60)	25.00 (24.15)

6th Priority: St. Mary's church building surrender

St. Mary's church building may be beyond the financial capability of St. Michael Parish to maintain adequately. For the historical preservation of the building, the very difficult decision might need to be made that St. Michael would surrender control of and responsibility for, (that is, sell and/or donate), the building. This does **NOT** mean the *church property or St. Mary's cemetery* would be surrendered, but only the church building.

Once more, none of the items for surrendering St. Mary's received 50% support nor 50% rejection. There appears to be inadequate interest to do anything at this time.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	The church parish would invite private citizens and/or parishioners interested in establishing a "museum corporation" for their own preservation of the building, opening up the possibility of museum grants for the repairs and restoration.	42.86 (32.83)	19.64 (10.19)
2nd	The church parish would find a buyer who would promise to move (relocate off the property) the building to a new site for its renovation and upkeep.	33.93 (43.77)	32.14 (9.07)
3rd	The church parish would find a buyer who would purchase the building and enough land at its current site, freeing this new owner to utilize the building as they deem appropriate.	14.29 (33.58)	46.43 (14.34)

II. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

The overall priority for the various projects for Sacred Heart Parish.

Parishioners numbered from 1 to 6 the order of priority for each project.

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	St. Michael	St. Joseph	Sacred Heart	Not indicated
A. Sacred Heart debt pay-off	2nd (156)	1st (798)	1st (324)	1st (196)
B. Sacred Heart Church roof	1st (170)	2nd (686)	2nd (300)	2nd (170)
C. Sacred Heart choir loft	4th (93)	4th (397)	4th (163)	4th (106)
D. Sacred Heart Church issues	3rd (112)	3rd (463)	3rd (197)	3rd (116)
E. Sacred Heart Center	5th (88)	5th (345)	5th (149)	5th (78)
F. Sacred Heart older PSR building	6th (61)	6th (231)	6th (107)	6th (63)

1st Priority: Pay off the debt

The debt which Sacred Heart Parish still owes (approx. \$80,000) to the Diocese of Baton Rouge should be paid off before any other major expenditures would be undertaken. **Note:** this debt is the balance owed on the construction of the newer PSR building, plus some of the cost of the roof repair to the rectory following Hurricane Isaac.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
•	This debt should be retired before any other major undertaking begins.	84.85 (79.61)	7.58 (0.39)

2nd Priority: The Sacred Heart Church roof

Please Note: after the survey was released, we learned that the current roof is not the original but was installed after damage from Hurricane Betsy in 1963. We apologize that the Sacred Heart Pastoral Council and Pastor did not have accurate information. However, this roof has been often repaired, and is asbestos shingles. It now needs to be fully replaced. The Pastoral Council and Facilities Committee have agreed that durability will be the uppermost factor in determining the kind of replacement roof chosen.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
•	The old roof should be replaced as soon as possible with a long-lasting roof.	84.85 (67.84)	9.09 (6.67)

3rd Priority: The Sacred Heart Church building

Sacred Heart church has other needs which surfaced during the recent input sessions. We would like all parishioners to give their opinions about the list of projects.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	The church bathroom needs to be made handicap accessible and/or updated.	78.79 (61.57)	3.03 (3.92)
2nd	The sound system needs to be upgraded and/or fixed and/or adjusted.	78.79 (45.88)	7.58 (12.94)
Items below 50% support will most likely not be part of the Master Plan because of the lack of overall support, especially where rejection is stronger than support.			
3rd	The heat and air system needs to be updated for better distribution of air and control of temperature.	48.48 (38.43)	15.15 (16.08)
4th	The carpet needs to be removed from the church with a return to the old hard surface flooring.	37.88 (41.18)	27.27 (13.33)
5th	The baptismal font needs to be moved for better visibility by the congregation.	28.79 (30.59)	37.88 (29.41)

Items with 50% or more rejection will definitely not be part of the Master Plan because parishioners have shown they reject these ideas; there is a clear lack of support.

6th	The pews need to be re-arranged to give more space between the pews for entering and exiting.	21.21 (34.12)	60.61 (25.88)
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4th Priority: The Sacred Heart Church choir loft

The choir loft at Sacred Heart is particularly unsafe in case choir members would need to make an emergency exit because the existing chair lift causes an obstruction of the one and only way in and out of the loft.

Please note: none of the items for taking care of the Sacred Heart choir loft received 50% support nor 50% rejection. There appears to be inadequate interest to do anything at this time.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	A third option for the choir space would be to abandon the loft and create a space near the altar sanctuary for all choirs to use.	39.39 (36.47)	34.85 (26.67)
2nd	One option would be to provide an emergency exit to the outside of the church with a metal fire escape.	34.85 (37.65)	36.36 (20.00)
3rd	A different "fix" for the choir loft would be to extend the space further into the body of the church and provide dual stairs.	33.33 (30.20)	28.79 (23.14)

5th Priority: Sacred Heart Center

The Center is utilized regularly (several times each week) for meetings, PSR classes and retreats, dinners, and bereavements, yet there is much renovation which needs to take place for the building to be at its best.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	The bathrooms are in very poor condition and need renovations and ADA compliance.	81.82 (67.45)	9.09 (5.10)
2nd	The kitchen, especially the stove, cannot be used and is in serious need of renovation.	78.79 (60.00)	4.55 (3.92)
3rd	The heating and air system is antiquated; and updating could help reduce wasted utilities (and probably rid the building of the "gas" smell).	72.73 (53.73)	9.09 (5.10)
4th	The lighting can be easily updated and enhanced, also reducing wasted utilities.	72.73 (50.98)	9.09 (8.63)
5th	Doors and windows need to be replaced in order to provide better insulation value and improve the quality of the building.	53.03 (41.18)	9.09 (12.94)

Items below 50% support will most likely not be part of the Master Plan because of the lack of overall support, especially where rejection is stronger than support.			
6th	By renovations to the ceiling, a better sense of “openness” could be given to the space, enhancing its quality.	48.48 (31.76)	15.15 (16.09)
7th	Interior furnishings, that is, tables and/or chairs, need to be updated.	40.91 (28.24)	25.76 (20.00)
8th	A more attractive entry way could be constructed including a covered drop-off space.	37.88 (26.27)	19.70 (27.45)
9th	In remodeling the Center, consider adding meeting space in this building to remove the meeting room from the priests’ residence.	36.36 (39.61)	22.73 (19.22)
Items with 50% or more rejection will definitely not be part of the Master Plan because parishioners have shown they reject these ideas; there is a clear lack of support.			
10th	The whole building, that is, the Center and the older PSR classroom space, could be demolished and a new and better designed center and classrooms should be built.	9.09 (10.98)	62.12 (46.27)

6th Priority: The older PSR building

This older PSR building has become inefficient as a teaching space as well as in the consumption of utilities; it is in need of certain improvements.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	The bathrooms could be renovated for better utility and cleanliness.	62.12 (45.49)	13.64 (9.02)
2nd	The heating and air system could be centralized or improved to be more cost efficient for the space.	56.06 (35.69)	13.64 (11.37)
3rd	The doors and windows could be replaced with more energy efficient products. And the ceiling could be insulated better for the same purpose.	56.06 (34.90)	16.67 (11.37)
Items with 50% or more rejection will definitely not be part of the Master Plan because parishioners have shown they reject these ideas; there is a clear lack of support.			
4th	Repeating what was suggested above, the whole building, that is, the Center and the older PSR classroom space, could be demolished and a new and better designed center and classrooms should be built.	12.12 (15.29)	62.1 (41.57)

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III. St. Joseph Parish (including Lutcher Chapel)

The overall priority for the various projects for St. Joseph Parish.

Parishioners numbered from 1 to 3 the order of priority for each project.

The numbers in parentheses “()” are a composite of the rating given on the survey – 1 = 3pts; 2 = 2pts; 3 = 1pt. Highest total means a first priority continuing down to lowest total given the 3rd priority.

	St. Michael	St. Joseph	Sacred Heart	Not indicated
A. St. Joseph Church	1st (94)	1st (444)	1st (156)	1st (99)
B. Other needs	2nd (49)	3rd (228)	3rd (72)	3rd (46)
C. Additional parking spaces	3rd (47)	2nd (268)	2nd (99)	2nd (61)

1st Priority: St. Joseph Church building

While the outside of St. Joseph church has been waterproofed and painted and the roof and steeple repaired, the building still needs quite a bit of interior work.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	The walls and ceiling damaged by water intrusion need to be repaired and repainted.	92.55 (71.88)	2.48 (0.63)
2nd	Some pews and kneelers need repairs and all could stand to be refinished. Note: the pews are too historically significant simply to replace them; thus, they must be repaired and refinished as best as possible.	86.34 (65.63)	2.48 (0.63)
3rd	The heating and air system works correctly but the issue of hot/cold spots and a better thermostat system needs to be addressed.	65.84 (48.13)	12.42 (9.38)
4th	A handicap ramp needs to be provided for the west side entrance as an added entrance beside the ramp to the front of the church.	65.84 (38.13)	14.91 (16.88)
5th	The sound system needs to be updated, especially if acoustical changes will take place.	63.36 (44.38)	10.56 (9.38)
6th	Renovations can be made to enhance the front entry of the church and the way the space is utilized. That is, the doors, “cry room” spaces, reconciliation room, vesting sacristy, bathroom, and such would be renovated for better function.	61.49 (42.50)	17.39 (15.63)
7th	The choir loft could use better storage space; the variety of steps, which pose a trip hazard for some, needs to be addressed, as well as the elevator safety issue and the emergency exit issue.	57.76 (36.88)	12.42 (11.25)

8th	The altar platform needs to be made handicap accessible.	55.90 (40.63)	21.74 (13.13)
9th	The carpet in the aisles and sanctuary could be removed to return the floors to the more original hard tile surface.	55.28 (37.50)	20.50 (14.38)
10th	There is the possibility of a historical renovation of the sanctuary, to recover the original altar platform height (one step lower) providing slightly more room in the sanctuary. This would also entail re-installing the tabernacle in the high altar.	53.42 (45.00)	18.63 (7.50)
11th	The possibility of better automation for the lights, A/C, door locks, and such needs to be investigated as possible cost savings measures through improved efficiency.	52.80 (36.88)	7.45 (8.75)
12th	The lighting inside the church, both in the central body and for the sanctuary and choir loft, could be enhance and updated.	50.93 (39.38)	18.01 (14.38)
Items below 50% support will most likely not be part of the Master Plan because of the lack of overall support, especially where rejection is stronger than support.			
13th	For some, the pew platform is a trip hazard, which might require removal if possible to avoid people being seriously injured by tripping and falling.	37.89 (33.13)	31.68 (23.75)
14th	If still more space is needed for the sanctuary, the pews added in some time ago could be removed again.	32.30 (25.63)	33.54 (18.13)

2nd Priority: Additional parking spaces

Parking spaces need to be added at St. Joseph Church because of the number of people who park dangerously on the two-way road by the rectory and even in the fire lane next to the church. It is possible to provide as many as 85 safe and secure parking spaces by creating a parking lot on the grass lot between the Pastoral Center and the Maintenance shed in front of the cemetery.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
•	The grass lot should be made into an asphalt parking lot for the safety and convenience of parking at St. Joseph.	78.26 (54.38)	6.83 (7.50)

3rd Priority: Other needs

A few other needs for St. Joseph Parish and the Lucher Chapel surfaced during the recent input sessions. We would like all parishioners to give their opinions about the list of projects.

Rank	Project item	Support % Parish (Others)	Reject % Parish (Others)
1st	The carport and/or garage needs to be reinstalled for the priests.	69.57 (45.00)	9.32 (13.13)
2nd	The Lutcher Chapel has drainage issues which need to be addressed.	60.87 (50.63)	3.11 (6.88)
3rd	The Pastoral Center, though recently renovated by the prior pastor, still needs better insulation in attic and under the first floor to reduce utility costs.	60.25 (44.38)	5.59 (8.13)
Items below 50% support will most likely not be part of the Master Plan because of the lack of overall support, especially where rejection is stronger than support.			
4th	The use of solar panels should be investigated to reduce electricity consumption by the parish buildings as a whole.	49.07 (35.63)	22.98 (13.75)
5th	A covered drop-off needs to be installed at the Lutcher Chapel on the north (parking lot) side of the building.	43.48 (30.00)	28.57 (18.75)