

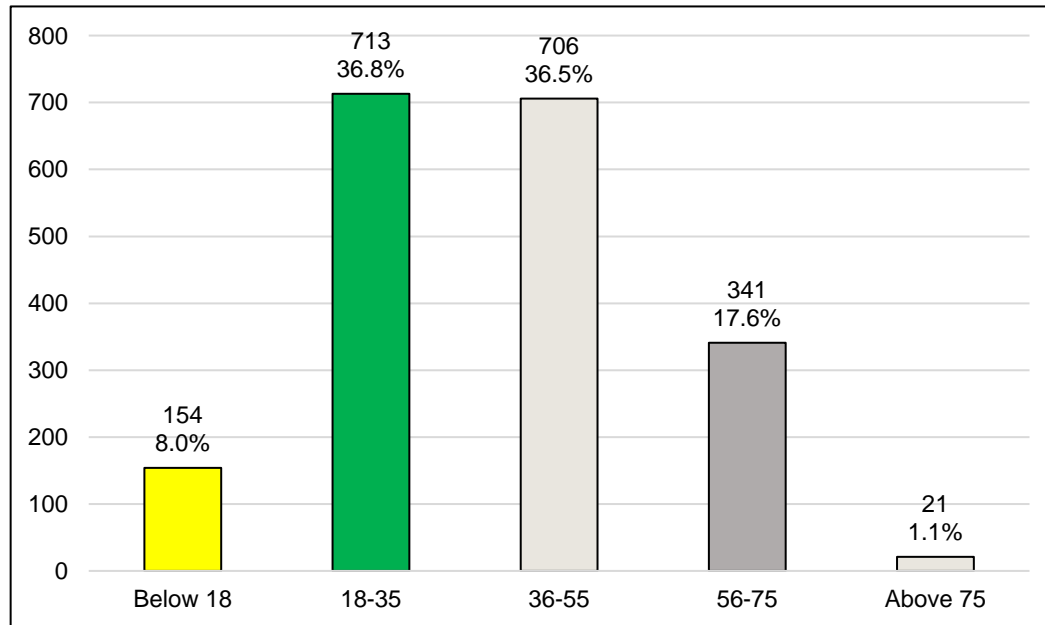


# **SUMMARY OF PARISHONERS PPA SURVEY 2022**

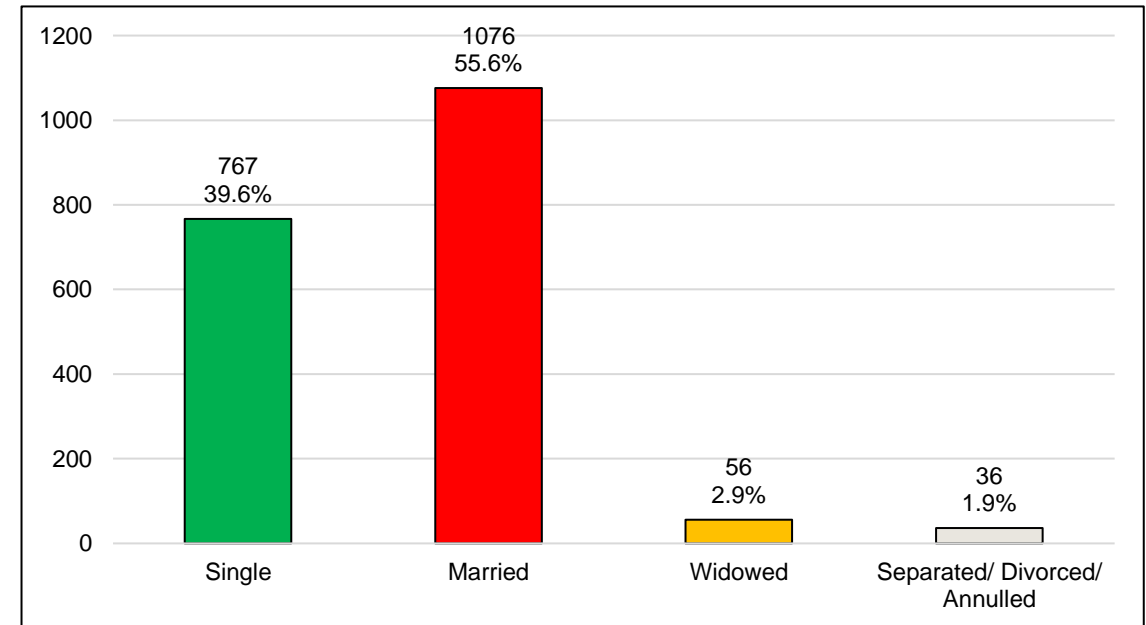
# SECTION 1: DEMOGRAPHICS

There a total of **1935** respondents.

## AGE GROUP OF RESPONDENTS

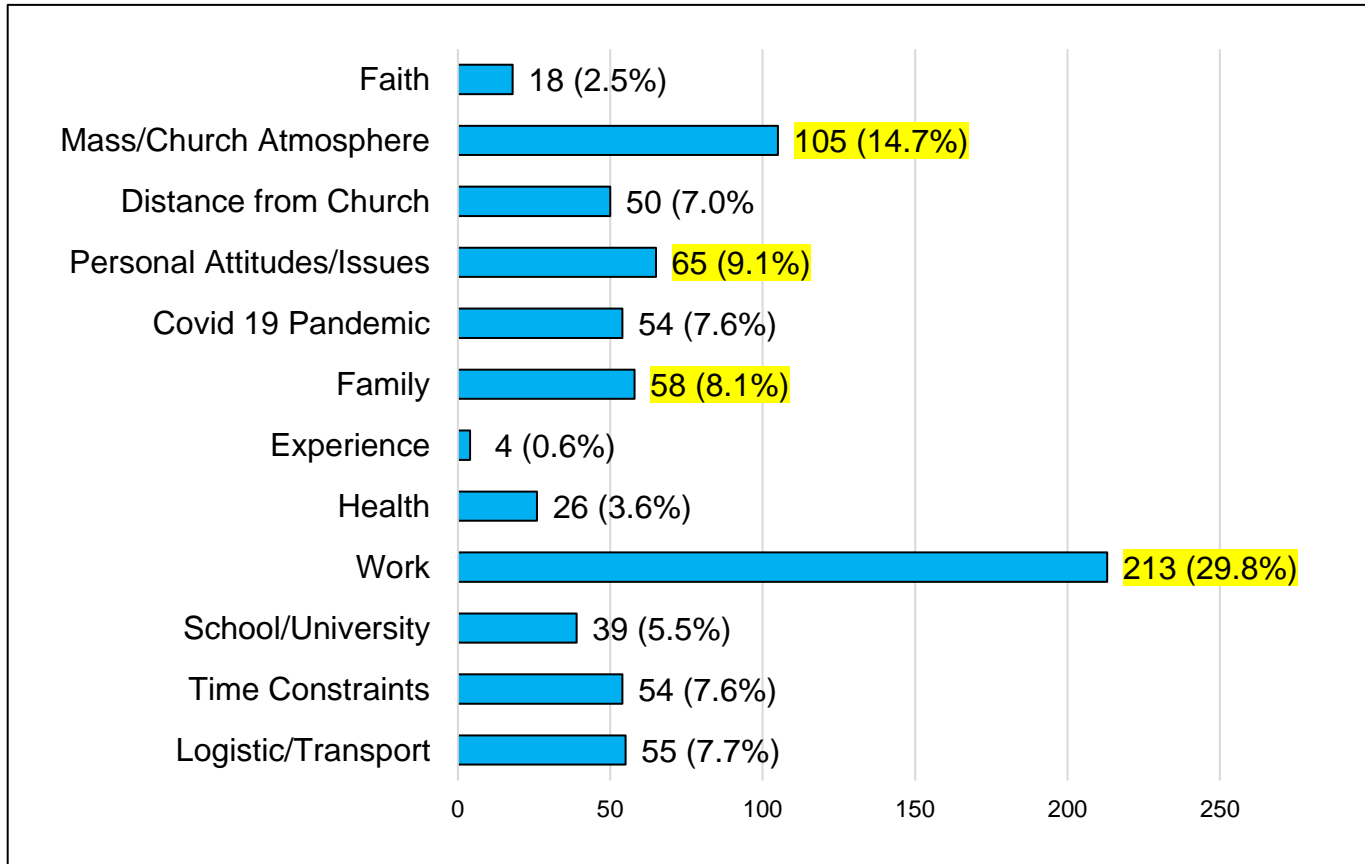


## MARITAL STATUS OF RESPONDENTS





## RESPONSES PERTAINING TO “SOMETIMES” OR “I HAVE STOPPED ATTENDING MASS”

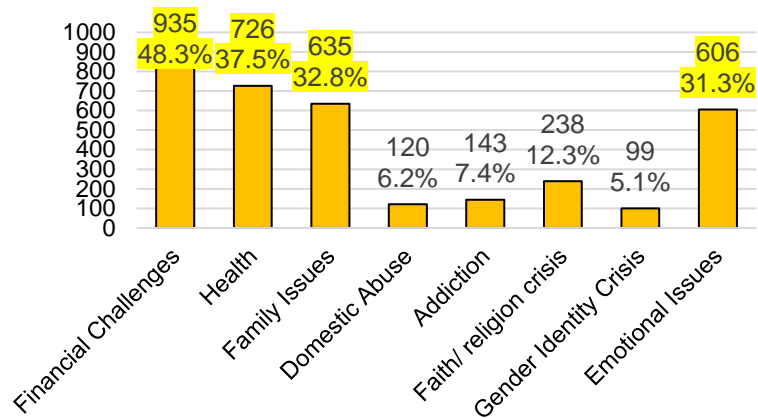


### MAIN REASONS:

1. **Work** - shift constraint & outstation/offshore.
2. **Mass/Church Atmosphere** - Prefer Online mass, church environment (facilities / psychological related).
3. **Personal commitment & priority issues.**
4. **Family** - Having young children, taking care of elderly at home, '*balik kampung*' with family, time management.

Responses pertaining to “Sometimes” or “I have stopped attending Mass”

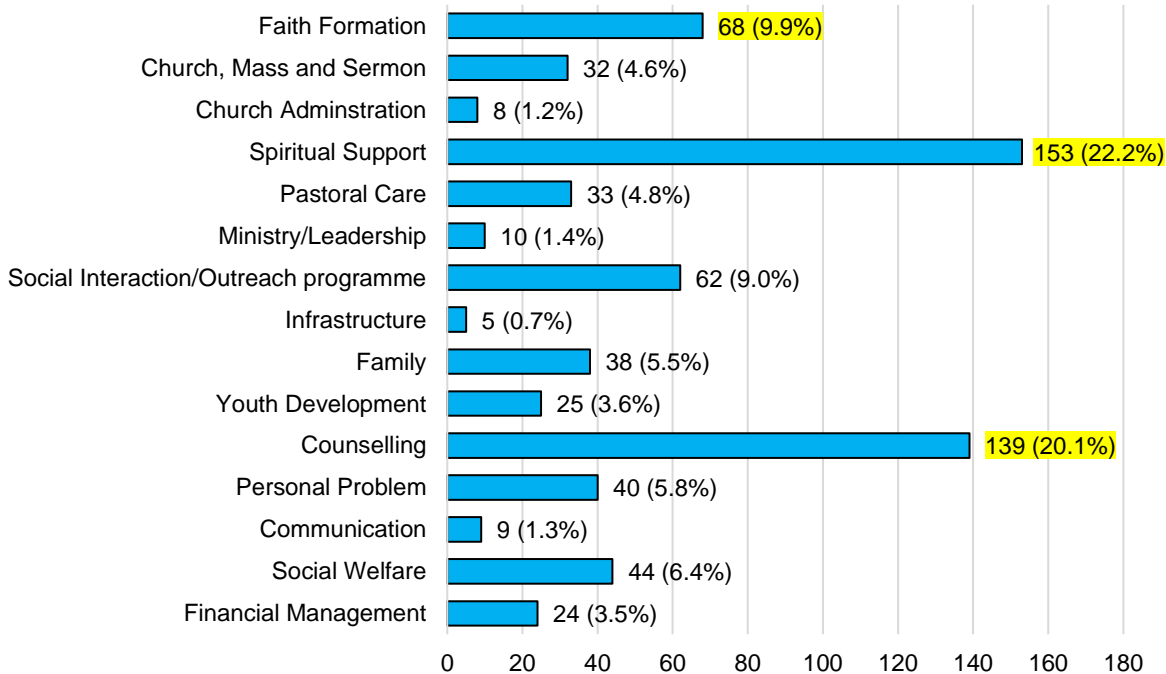
# SECTION 3: AREAS MOST AFFECTED CURRENTLY WITHIN PARISHONERS



Areas most affected currently on respondents

Top 4 areas:

1. Financial Challenges
2. Health Issues
3. Family Issues
4. Emotional Issues



Responses pertaining to how the parish collectively, as a community, or a specific ministry, help or provide support

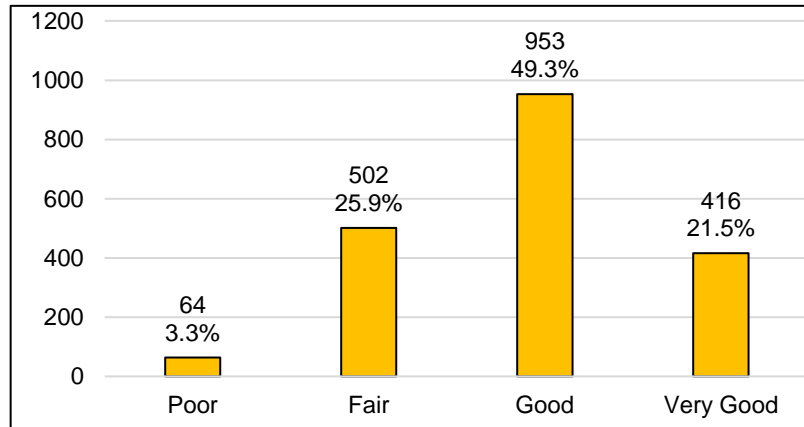
How parish can help/support (Top 3):

1. Spiritual support - need moral support/prayers
2. Counselling
3. Faith formation - more faith building programmes such as seminars.



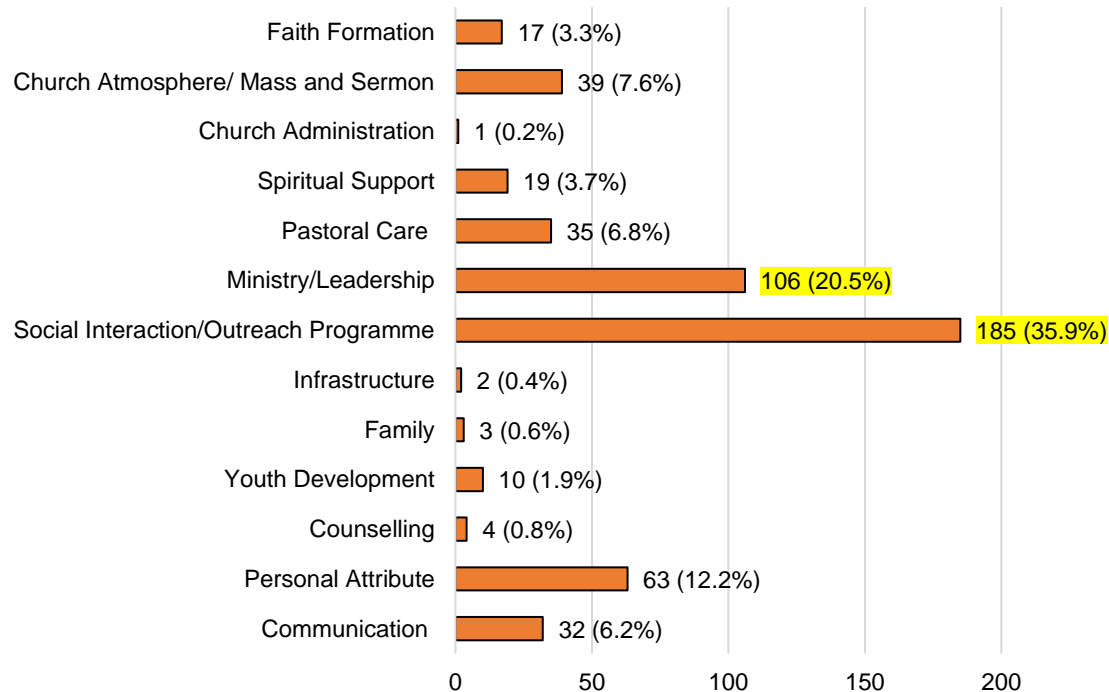
**Observation:** People want spiritual accompaniment, seeking a more community-centered spiritual support.

## SECTION 4: RELATIONSHIP WITH CHURCH LEADERS



Respondents' relationship with Church leaders

➔ Majority (~97%) responded to having **Fair to Very good** relationship with church leaders.



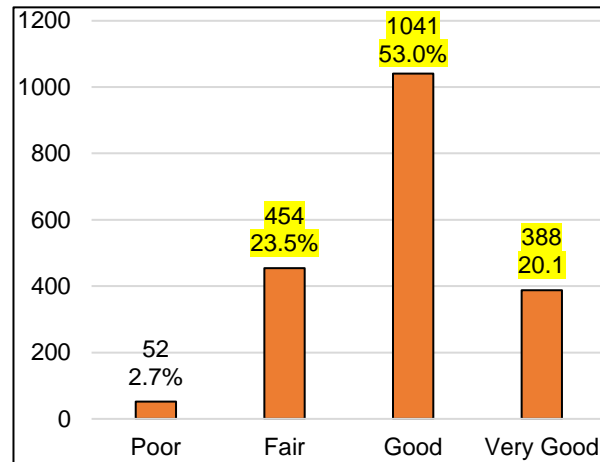
Respondents' suggestion on improvement of relationship with Church leaders

Suggestion to further improve relations (**Top 2**):

- **More Social Interaction/Outreach Programme** - more interactive programmes.
- ➔ ▪ **Ministry and Leadership** - Train the leaders, leaders to be people oriented.

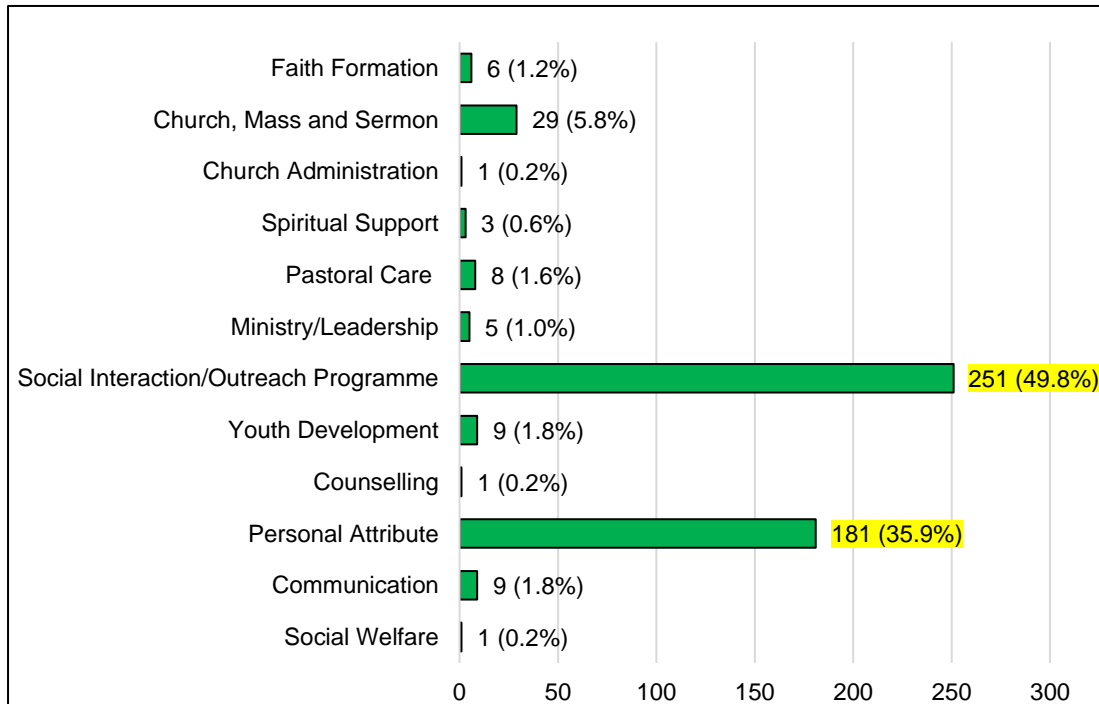
**Observation** - Leaders/church need be more accessible and approachable

## SECTION 5: RELATIONSHIP WITH CHURCH MEMBERS



Respondents' relationship with Church members

➔ Majority (~97%) responded to having **Fair to Very good** relationship with other church members.



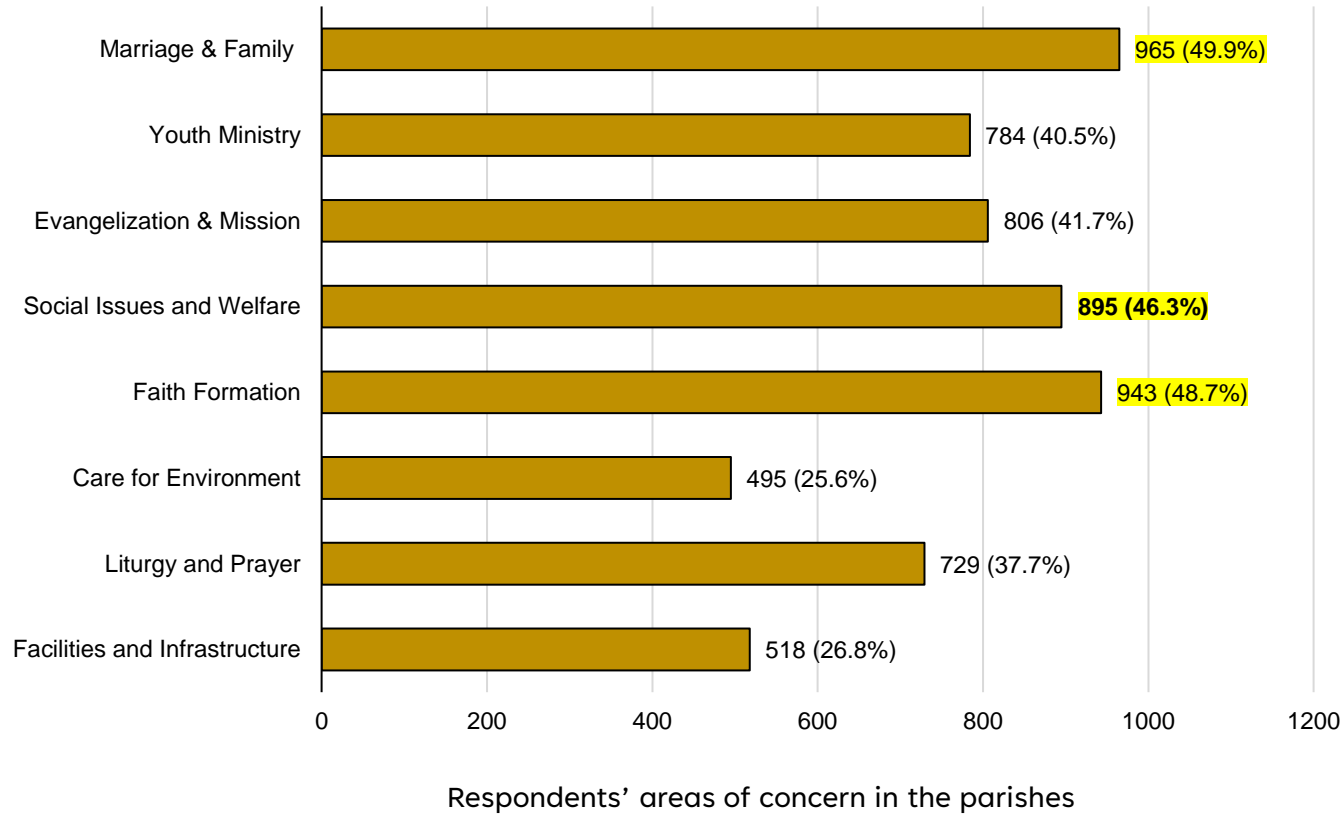
Respondents' suggestion on improvement of relationship with Church members

Suggestion to further improve relations (**Top 2**):

- ➔ ▪ **More Social Interaction/Outreach Programme** - more interactive programmes.
- Personal attribute

**Observation** - People want more friendly, non-judgemental, humble environment

# SECTION 7: AREAS OF CONCERN AS PERCEIVED BY RESPONDENTS

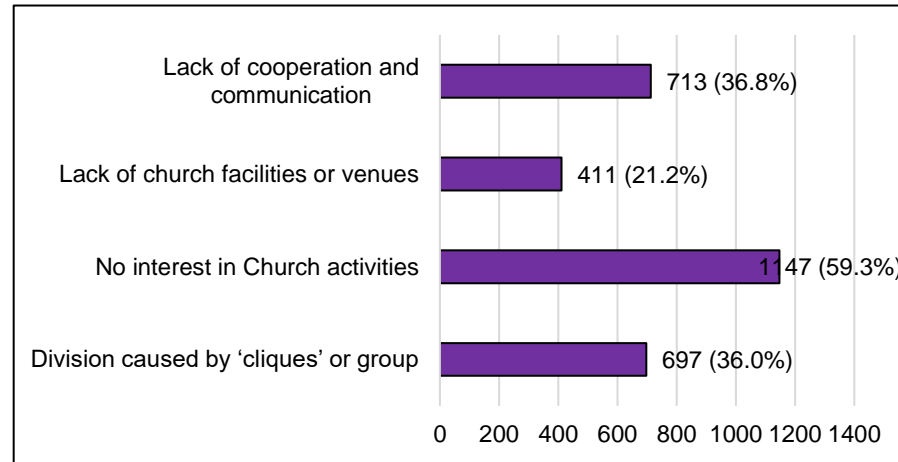


## Top 4 areas:

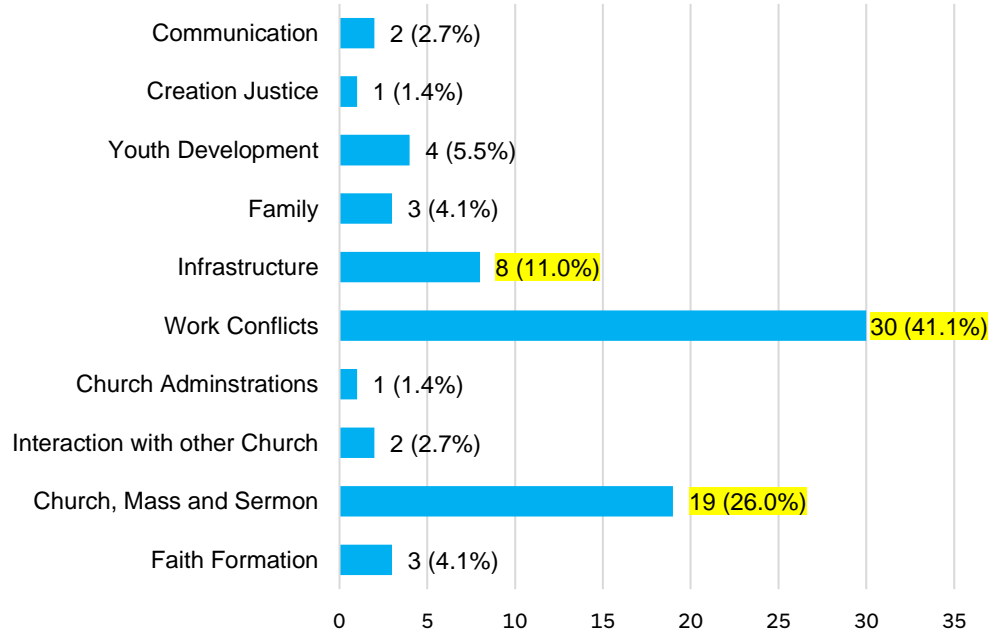
1. Marriage & Family
2. Faith Formation
3. Counselling (based on additional comments)
4. Social Issues & Welfare



# SECTION 8: CHALLENGES AND ISSUES FACED IN THE PARISH



Challenges and issues perceived by respondents



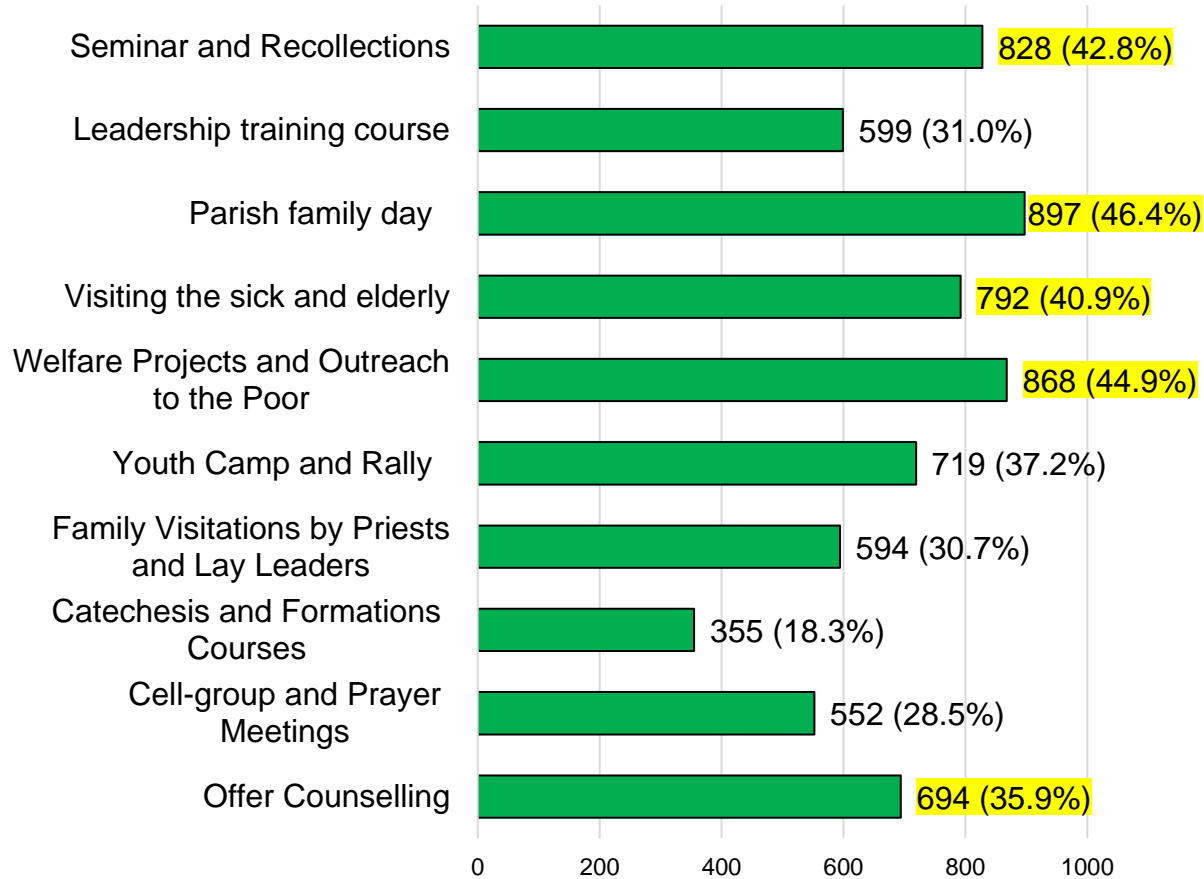
Respondents on challenges and issues facing the parishes - Others

Other Challenges & Issues voiced by parishioners:

- 1) No Sense of belonging in the church (from additional comments)
- 2) Work Conflicts
- 3) Church, Mass & Sermons
- 4) Infrastructure

**Observation** - Parishioners wish for a church that focus the needs for the people (i.e. better facilities for OKU, more inclusive with friendly and welcoming church leaders.)

## SECTION 9: ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMS THAT CAN BE ORGANISED IN THE PARISH



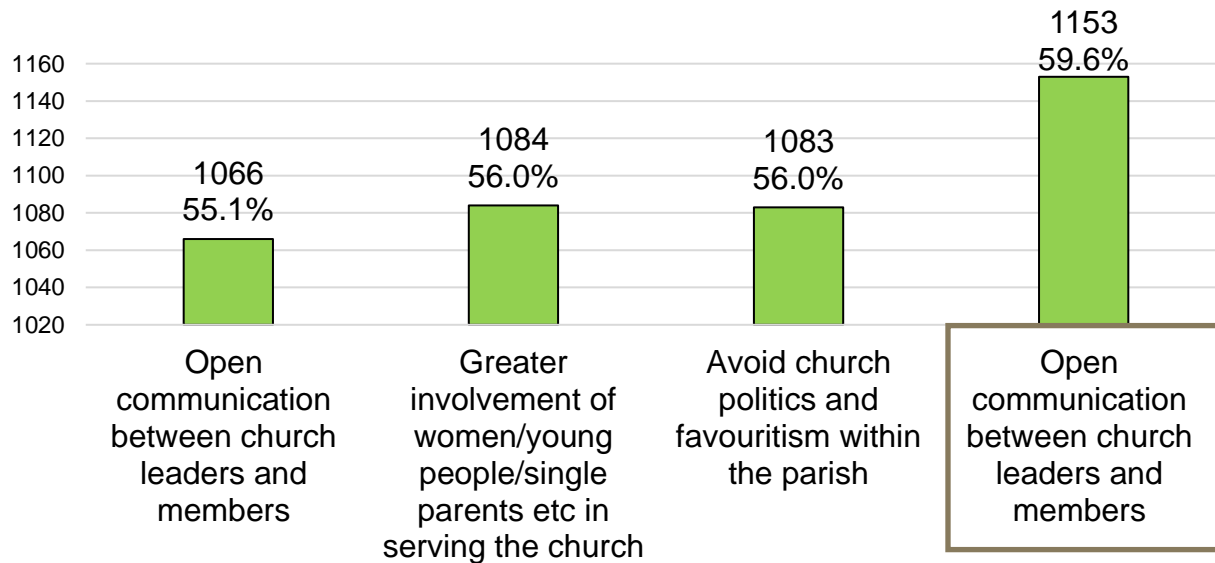
Activities and programs proposed to be organized in the parish



### Top 5:

- Parish Family Day
- Welfare Projects & Outreach to the poor
- Seminars & Recollections
- Visiting the sick & elderly
- Offer Counselling

# SECTION 10: JOURNEYING TOGETHER (SYNODAL) BY PARISH TO BECOME A CHURCH

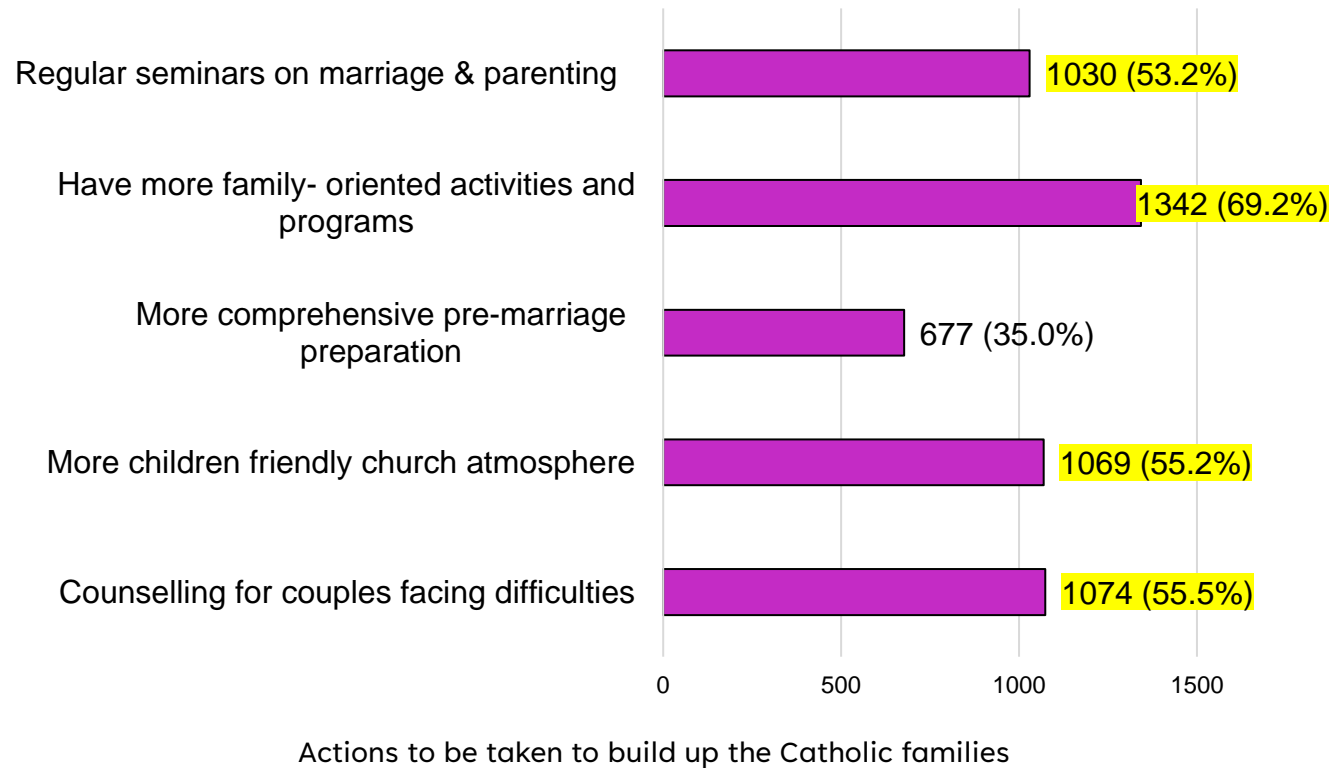


**Open communication between church leaders and members**

Suggestions given (in additional comments):

- Social interaction and outreach programme
- Ministry & leadership
- Church, mass & sermon

# SECTION 11: WHAT CAN THE PARISH DO TO BUILD UP OUR CATHOLIC FAMILIES?



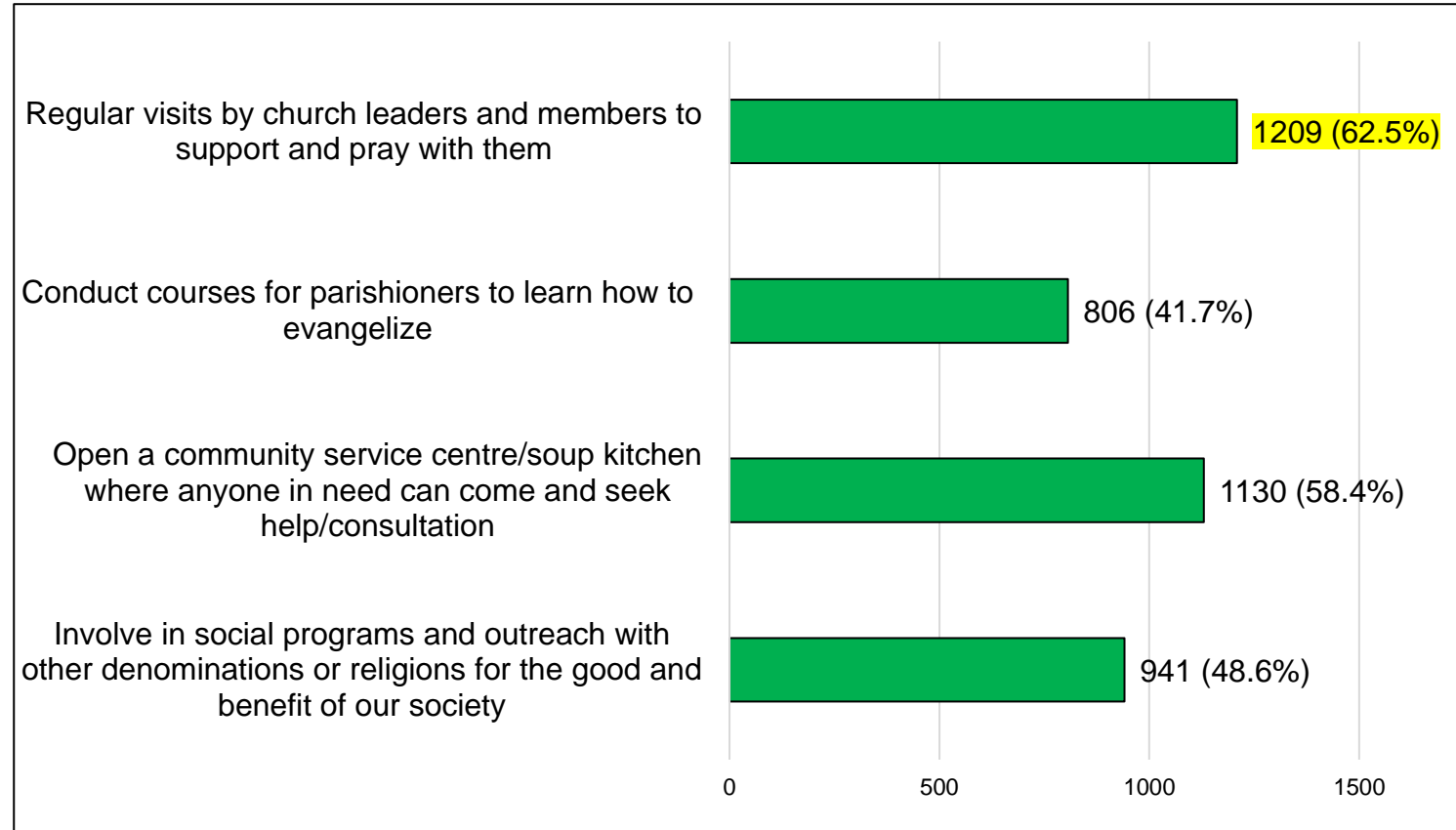
## Top 4:

1. More family-oriented activities and programme
2. Counselling for couples facing difficulties
3. More children friendly church atmosphere
4. Regular seminars on marriage & parenting

## Proposed activities :

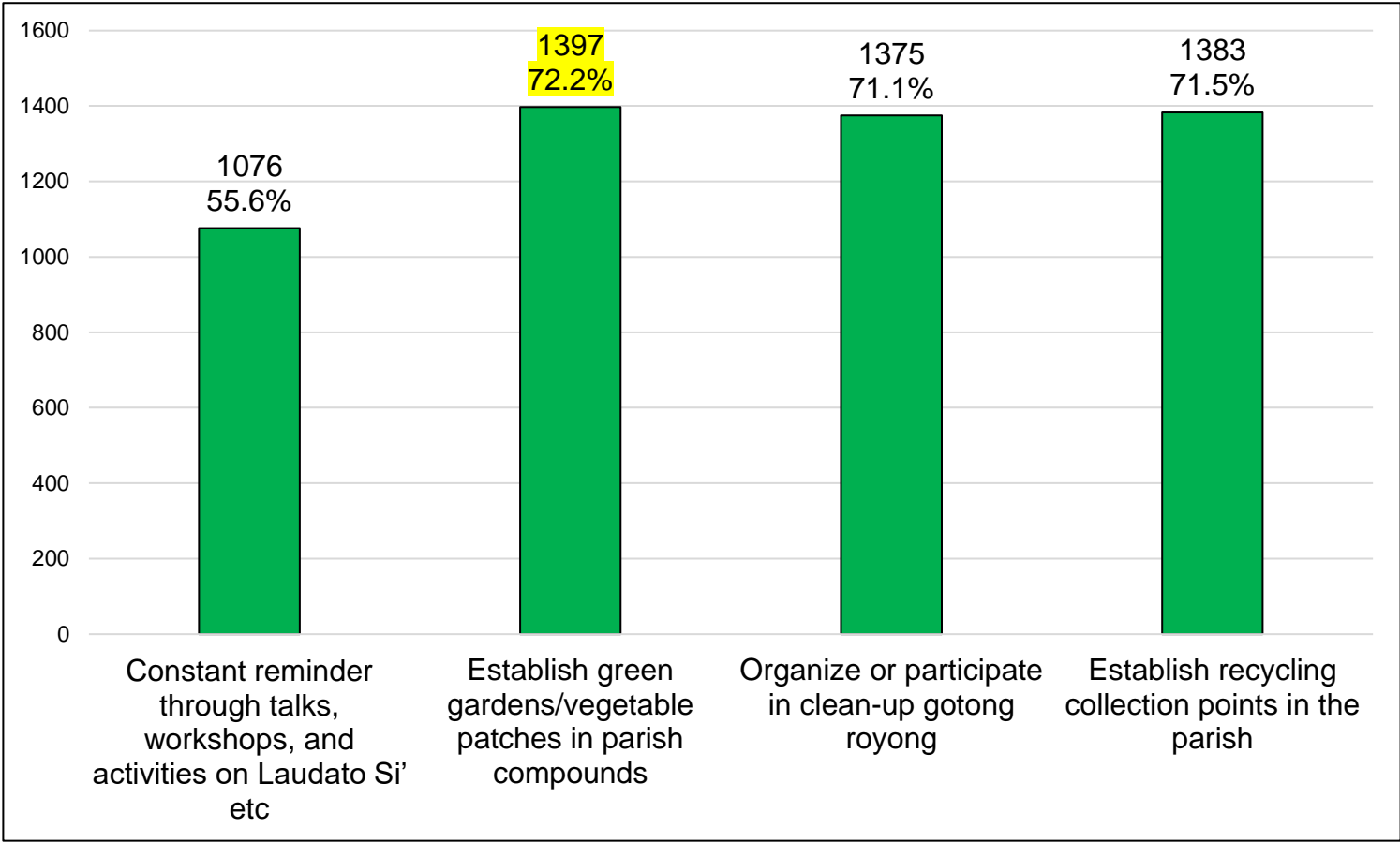
1. Social interaction and outreach programme ie seminars
2. Children's involvement in liturgy
3. Courses to support family life
4. Activities to get more youth involvement in the church

## SECTION 12: WHAT CAN THE PARISH DO TO REACH OUT TO THE PEOPLE IN SOCIETY WHO ARE IN NEED OF HELP?



Actions of parishes to reach out to people in society who need help

# SECTION 13: WHAT CAN THE PARISH DO IN ORDER TO BECOME A CHURCH THAT CARES FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT?



Actions of parishes to become a church that cares for the environment

## **SECTION 14: WHAT IS YOUR HOPE AND VISION FOR THE PARISH?**

### **Comments summary:**

1. Inclusive, community, family, youth together & belonging
2. Unity, solidarity, harmony, fair and cooperative
3. Worship, faithful & devout
4. Caring, warm, kind, listening, open, support, welcoming, loving, understanding
5. Friendly, being with people- outreach, active and vibrant, evangelization
6. Humble, approachable, non-judgemental, leadership



# **SUMMARY OF MINISTRIES PPA SURVEY 2022**



# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR MINISTRIES PPA SURVEY 2022

1. **271 respondents** (*Note: some are group submission*).
2. Many parishioners put **much thought** and **submitted detailed responses**.
3. Although the roles and purpose of various ministries differ, **many of the issues raised are common**.
4. **List of ministries:** Liturgical, Faith Formation, Welfare, Youth, Prayer Groups & Family Apostolate.

## SECTION 1: WHAT WORKED WELL

- 1) **Good relationship**, mutual respect, teamwork, unity & support;
- 2) **Wealth of gifts** among volunteers & sense of closeness to God;
- 3) Sense of **contributing**, being **appreciated & belonging**;
- 4) **Personal development** e.g. in commitment, responsibility, confidence & faith.

## SECTION 2: MAIN CHALLENGES

- 1. Lack of interest, recruitment & commitment**, including from among the young;
- 2. Weak leadership** resulting in poor guidance, lack of direction, misunderstanding, ambiguity, poor teamwork & cooperation, favouritism, lack of support (spiritually, personally & technically), lack of training & development;
- 3. Negative environment** of blame, criticism, fear of failure, being judged, lack of sense of appreciation;
- 4. Inadequate/no suitable facilities & hardware** e.g. fans, PA system, venue to gather/retreat, transport.

## SECTION 3: HOW CAN THE PARISH HELP OR SUPPORT

1. Provide inspiration & **good leadership**, such as: training & development, guidance, encouragement, support, recognition & personal growth;
2. Adopt a **humble attitude**, such as: welcoming & listening, avoid criticizing, being inclusive, working as a team, encouraging & flexible.
3. Mention the Ministries & explain the **concept of volunteering during homilies to promote & recruit, particularly among the young**;
4. Provide suitable support **facilities & hardware**, including **transport**.

## SECTION 4: HOW CAN THE PARISH ENCOURAGE PARISHIONERS TO SERVE

- 1. Publicize the various Ministries among parishioners** including the young & marginalized e.g. through homilies, church notices, posters, welcome booklets, newsletters, via opinion influencers, social media & family gatherings;
- 2. Priests to be actively involved** in Ministerial activities, lead by example & get to know the parishioners;
- 3. Provide trainings**, both formal (courses, seminars) & informal (attachments, understudy);
- 4. Adopt more accommodative & encouraging attitude towards volunteers**, acknowledging that people make mistakes, some misfits may drop out, provide support to help & guide;
- 5. Mandate parishioners to be involved in Ministries**, like those preparing for Confirmation.