

Mass Times Survey – Cover Letter #2

The responses to the first questionnaire have been collected and reviewed. Overall, 140 parishioners shared submitted a response. All respondents were verified to be regular attendees at St. Joseph's. Thank you for sharing your thoughts and opinions!

Here are the summarized results of Questionnaire #1:

- Most respondents do not find it discouraging if the church is not full.
- Most respondents do not find it difficult to participate in the liturgy when the congregation is small.
- Most respondents do not feel there is any difficulty in finding ministers for all Masses.
- Opinion is split about whether or not there is an unnecessary financial burden because of multiple Masses and ministries.
- Most respondents do not find it difficult to find a Mass at another Parish if they cannot attend at St. Joseph's.
- Most respondents are willing to attend a Liturgy of the Word led by a lay minister, if there is no priest available. Based on this, the Parish will look at finding suitable people to train in the fall so that they will be available in case of an emergency.
- Most respondents do not feel the Mass would be better if the church was full.

Based on the responses to Questionnaire #1, we have created a second set of more specific questions about Mass times. Please note that the Mass times discussed in these questions are **hypothetical**. No decisions have yet been made about the number of Masses or the times for them.

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This survey is intended for those who regularly pray at St Joseph's, and are either confirmed or over 18 years old. Please indicate your name and usual Mass time. Anonymous responses will **not** be counted.

Responses are due by 11:59 pm on Sunday, June 24, 2018. Please return completed surveys in the collection baskets, to the Parish Office, or by email to sjk@golden.net. A copy of this survey can also be downloaded from the Parish website at www.stjosephkitchener.org/news.html or filled out electronically at <http://bit.ly/sjkmassq2>

Name: _____ Usual Mass Time: _____

1. What is your preferred Mass time for Saturday Evening? **(Circle 1 only)**

4:00p 5:00p 6:00p 7:00p N/A

2. What times would you be willing to attend Mass **regularly** on Saturday? **(Circle all that apply)**

4:00p 5:00p 6:00p 7:00p N/A

3. What is your preferred Mass time for Sunday? **(Circle 1 only)**

8:00a 9:00a 10:00a 11:00a 12:00p 7:00p

4. What times would you be willing to attend Mass **regularly** on Sunday? **(Circle all that apply)**

8:00a 9:00a 10:00a 11:00a 12:00p 7:00p

5. Do you think that St. Joseph's should only have one Mass on Sunday?

Not At All ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ Strongly Agree

6. If a Mass was not offered during a time you are willing to attend, what would you do? **(Circle 1 only)**

Go to a different Mass Go to another parish Attend less often Not attend at all

7. Until a final decision about Mass times is made, would you be willing to extend the summer schedule (5:00pm Saturday, 10:00am Sunday) to the end of September?

Not At All ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ Strongly Agree

Please feel free to add any additional comments on the other side of this page.

KEY DATES:

Survey #1	Out: Saturday, May 19th and Sunday, May 20 th Due: Sunday June 3 rd at 11:59 pm
Survey #2	Out: Saturday, June 9th and Sunday, June 10th Due: Sunday, June 24 th at 11:59 pm
Town Hall Meetings	Thursday, July 5 th at 7 pm Tuesday, August 7 th at 7 pm
PPC recommendation of decision	Thursday, August 9 th
Final Decision announced	At all Masses on the weekend of August 18 th and 19 th