



Dear Fellow Monsignors and Fathers,

As members of the Pastors Advisory Council of the Catholic Foundation, we want you to know about a vehicle that can give you an idea of your parishioners' understanding of ways they can support their parish now and in the future, and how in turn the Catholic Foundation can support you.

We have created a simple **Parish Survey** that can tell you if your parishioners are *aware* of your parish endowment and if they *understand* the various ways they can support your parish through the foundation. The survey only takes a few minutes to complete, and it can be done completely anonymously. By your sending the survey yourself, there is no need to share your parishioners' emails outside of your parish.

If you have not already had an opportunity to send this to your parishioners, we suggest that you send this survey via email, social media, and a link on your parish website – whichever method you have found most effective. I know that the data you receive from this survey will help you to inform your parishioners about ways that they can support your parish both now and in the future that are helpful to them as well.

We can show you and your parishioners how to establish long term, secure sources of funding for the ministries they hold dear. The Catholic Foundation offers free services such as gift planning which will help your parish increase the number of estate gifts it receives. We want you, your staff and your parishioners to be aware of these services and how the Catholic Foundation can serve them.

Those of us on the Pastor's Advisory Council are looking forward to using this survey in our parishes to see how we can best inform, invite and involve our members in financial stewardship with an eye on the long term financial support of our parish.

The Catholic Foundation is committed to serving you so you can better serve your people. May our good God bless and guide your work as the chief steward of your parish.

The Reverend Monsignor Daniel Stack
Pastor, St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

SAMPLE TEXT

Dear Parishioner,

In order to better serve our parish, it would help to know more about your understanding of giving gifts to our parish that benefit our ministries both now and in the future.

Below, you will find a link to a survey provided by the Catholic Foundation. I ask that you take just a few minutes to participate.

Your input will provide the parish council and me with information to better understand the direction the parish will take in years to come.

I appreciate your time and feedback.

Sincerely,
Pastor Name

[TAKE SURVEY](#)

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