

Our Lady of Lourdes Town Hall Feedback

“The Message of Love Translates to Ministry”

Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioner

The Pastoral Council sincerely thanks everyone who participated in the Town Hall Meetings. Overwhelmingly, parishioners are attracted to Lourdes because of our unique community. Respondents expressed a familial sense of closeness, describing our community as charismatic and spirit-filled. Many Parishioners connect with our homilies, finding the message accessible and relevant. We received excellent recommendations for how our parish can continue to build Christ’ community right here at Lourdes. Below is a summary of the responses shared during the meetings and action steps we can take. Please consider participating in the action steps by completing the reverse side of this document. Individually, we can take meaningful steps to demonstrate we belong to each other by extending a welcome to visitors, getting to know our fellow parishioners, joining a Lourdes ministry and participating in the below action steps.

What led you to Our Lady Lourdes?

- Community
- Pastoral Leadership
- Focus on Youth
- Music Ministry
- Diversity
- History

Proposed Parishioner Action Step:

Create Small Faith Communities. Small Faith Communities are ongoing gatherings in parishioners' homes, organized geographically, for prayer, study, socializing and support. Groups have the option of following a prescribed program. If you are interested in connecting with fellow Lourdes parishioners within your geographic area, please complete the reverse side of this document or sign up on the Lourdes website.

What impact do you want Lourdes to have on our neighborhood, our city, our world?

- Youth Outreach
- Social Justice
- Values
- Economic Development

Proposed Parishioner Action Steps:

Your Voice Counts. Lourdes’ ABLE Core Team is organizing a database of parishioners’ local and national representatives for advocacy on upcoming legislation. Please complete the reverse page of this document or sign-up on the Lourdes website.

JustFaith Program. *JustFaith* is a 30 week national program, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Atlanta and currently in several parishes, that explores the major themes of Catholic Social Teaching in depth, focusing on the complex causes for poverty and inequality in our country and in our world and ways that each of us can contribute to solutions. If you are interested in learning more about this program, please complete the reverse side of this document or sign-up on the Lourdes website.

What does Lourdes stand for? What should Lourdes do more of?

- Youth Focused Activities
- Revise Time and Talent Form
- Family Focused Activities

Youth Ministry Action Step: Lourdes youth minister, Paula Scotman, is reviewing next steps for youth focused activities.

Pastoral Council Action Steps:

Redesign Time and Talent Survey Process. The Pastoral Council will redesign the upcoming Time and Talent Survey form and monitor responses to parishioners expressing interest in specific ministries.

A full text of parishioner feedback will be posted on the Lourdes website, www.lourdesatlanta.org.

I am interested in learning more about Small Faith Communities.

Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Email Address _____

Phone Number _____

I want my voice to count for conscientious and fair laws. By completing the following, I will be notified of local, state and national legislative issues.

Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Email Address _____

I prefer to be contacted by phone _____

I prefer to be contacted by email _____

I am interested in learning more about ABLE _____

I am interested in learning more about JustFaith.

Name: _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Email Address _____

Phone Number _____

General comments or areas of interest:
