



St. Mary, Our Lady of the Isle Parish, Nantucket

Dear Parishioners,

In April 2015, Bishop da Cunha created a Parish Pastoral Task Force and a Catholic Education Task Force to study and make recommendations for the future of our diocesan parishes and schools. The task Forces are made up of priests, deacons, and lay people selected by the Bishop based on consultations and recommendations with and from people around the diocese. With the creation of the Task Forces, the diocese embarked on a serious pastoral planning effort in order to ascertain the health of each parish and school in the diocese.

The Parish Pastoral Task Force, created to study our diocesan parishes, has created two surveys, which will help further the study of the parishes of the diocese. The Parish Evaluation of Criteria for Planning survey will be completed here in the parish by a core pastoral team selected by me. The other survey is to be completed by you, our faithful parishioners. Both surveys focus on the following measures of church life: Sacramental Life; Catholic Faith Formation; Community; Serving Those in Need; and Effective Administration. **It is highly encouraged that all parishioners, young and not so young, complete this survey.**

The parishioners survey should take approximately 15 minutes to complete. The survey can be accessed at <http://www.surveymoz.com/s3/2682037/Diocese-of-Fall-River-Parishioner-Survey>. A link is available on our parish App and website. Instructions for completing the survey are on the landing page of the survey. Hard-copies are available in English and Spanish at the rectory for those who do not have online access. The survey is completely confidential. I ask you to take the survey seriously so that the Task Force can better understand your perspective on the life of our parish. **Please complete the survey by Tuesday, May 31, 2016.** Results of the survey will be shared sometime in the fall after careful analysis.

Please join me in praying for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we complete our surveys in the continuation of the study of the parishes of our diocese. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev.) Marcel H. Bouchard
Pastor

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