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Rector Search Committee Update

The Rector Search Committee (RSC) is excited to hear individual feedback from the congregation about what they desire in a new rector. In late September, we kicked off a two-week survey period giving parishioners an opportunity to provide specific feedback in what they hope our new rector will do and, how each person thinks about how St. Timothy's operates. The survey can be completed online until October 3 using this link https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/sainttimothys

Or, it can be submitted on paper. Call or stop by the Parish Office to get a paper copy. Anyone who is 16 years or older and considers St. Timothy's their church home may participate in the survey. Responses are anonymous.

In September, the RSC wrapped up two information-gathering programs that had been held through the summer. The final Focus Groups, which offered group discussion of topics the RSC is particularly interested in, ended on September 25. Two of the Focus Groups were held with members of the Latino Congregation to give the RSC an opportunity to hear from broad representation of our congregation.

The recently introduced Question of the Week (QTW) also finished at the end of September. These weekly questions requested feedback from the congregation about their impression or experience of particular subjects the RSC will share with the diocese. The QTWs are based on questions asked by the diocese to allow for preparation of a portfolio used to publicize St. Timothy's to potential rector candidates. In addition to evaluating the survey results, the RSC will be focusing on preparing the Office of Transition Ministry Portfolio over the next several weeks.

Your contributions and participation in the survey, focus groups and QTWs have been a tremendous benefit to the RSC in doing our work. Thank you for sacrificing your time to contribute to this effort and for helping us do the best job possible for our St. Timothy's family. Your questions, insights and recommendations are always most welcome. Please share your thoughts with any RSC member or contact us at rsc@saint-timothys.org.

Heavenly Father, thank you for your infinite blessings and for making us instruments of your holy work . . . as we prepare to welcome our new Rector to St. Timothy's.