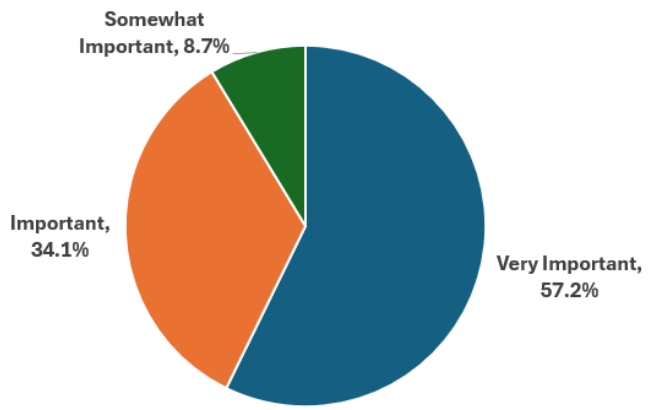
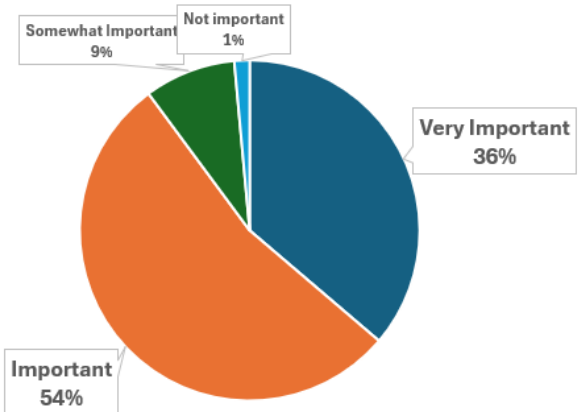
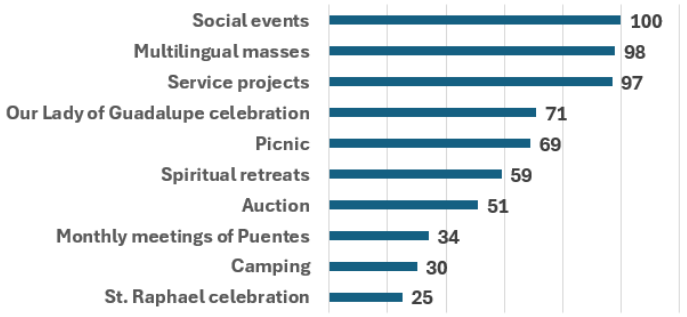
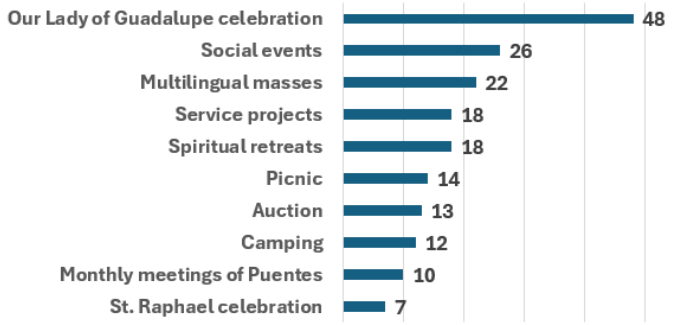
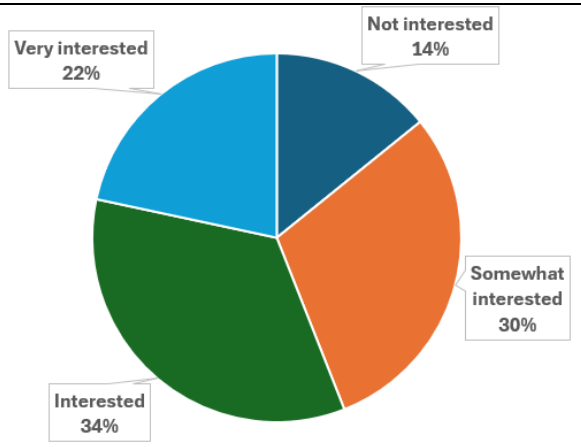
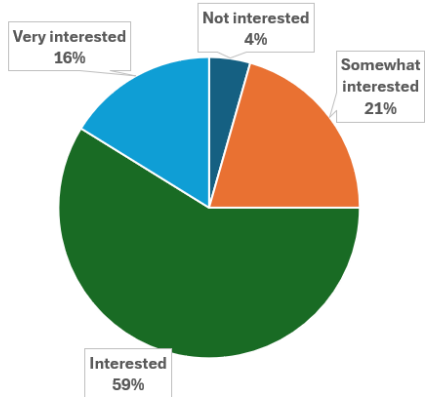
St. Andrew Community Building Survey Results

Thank you to everyone for sharing your opinions and suggestions on how we can connect both communities in a deeper and more meaningful way. We had an enormous response, 214 individuals and families from both the 9:30AM and 12:30PM masses!

Here's what we've learned from you:

- Both masses find it important to connect and build relationships with one another
- Of suggested multilingual events, both masses show particular interest in social events, service projects, and multilingual masses, especially the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.
- Both masses showed interest in opportunities to learn each other's languages. The 12:30PM mass showed significantly more interest than the 9:30AM mass.
- Shared meals are an easy opportunity to get to know each other better, as well as cultural exchange

	9:30AM Mass	12:30PM Mass
Question 1: How important is it for you to connect and build relationship between both masses?		
Question 2: Which multilingual events would you be interested in attending?		
Question 3: Are you interested in events giving speakers of English, Spanish, and Mayan languages the opportunity to practice each other's languages?		

Question 4:

Individual suggestions, 9:30 Mass:

- Social gathering between masses and/or evening potlucks
- Evening potluck meals possibly on a weeknight once a quarter.
- I recently went to an event by the St. Anthony-Tigard Housing Justice group. Having a multilingual group working on a specific issue seemed like a very good way to build bonds.
- I especially liked the Lenten Wednesday after-work soup meetings - the brief service in the church at 6:30, the sharing of soup at individual tables, excellent questions so there was depth (but not too much depth) to the conversations, translators at every table, and thankfully, not big action plans afterward. After work, we all are exhausted and it felt so good just being together. . . . though I remember one older woman telling us how hard healthcare was for her to access. Thanks so much.
- It may help the 9:30 community to get some ally training so we can better support members of the 12:30 mass who need support and advocacy.
- I'd like participate in activities driven by the interests of the 12:30 Mass community. To meet them on their terms.
- Perhaps having an occasional joint single Sunday liturgy. Not feasible perhaps, but could quarterly work? 1 of 4 would be as before Corpus Christi.
- Craft fair? Joint Christmas decorating of church?
- I have enjoyed multilingual conversations in the past - even after mass on Sundays.
- Meals with small groups or families - especially by neighborhood.
- Lenten groups with interpreters - faith sharing on specific questions. Soup suppers.
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- Bridges, Puentes is a good way to build relationships - it has not met for a long time.
- Picnic with Mariachi! Combined Liturgy. List of services-business to support.
- Something involving music.
- Learning more depth of other cultures, Hispanic, and a little more of others. Whites are from different ethnicities also, one family.
- MACG need interpreter in some cases of course.
- Potlucks!
- I've been working on Spanish for 4 years and would like to be in a small relationship-building group with members of 12:30 who would potentially like the same.
- Shared meals-- once a week
- Maybe a joint mass at least once/month
- Parties
- 1. Social events at people's houses to develop deeper relationships. 2. Opportunities to assist w/English speaking needs. 3 Assistance with visas, citizenship (paper work/donations)
- I need to be more intentional about living what I believe about this
- Parish Partners: People from both masses decide they want to partner. Intentional match-ups at a forum to assign each interested person a partner. The two can decide how to maintain a connection via text, emails, or in person.

- Celebrate diversity and cultural understanding through festivals
- Translation equipment
- daily Mass at least 4 times a week; informational meetings regarding sanctuary
- Procession with a walking pattern-- tripudium--so it is a unison movement. The tripudium is a historical procession done during church services. (A bit of sacred dance history)
- Community parade and service projects; bake sale of all cuisines together
- Social time between masses for both groups, Switch masses occasionally-- Spanish at 9:30, English at 12:30
  More information about Mayan Mass: can English speakers attend? what should we know culturally?
- Cooking together
- Having a small meal together; inviting people to, e.g., dinner, dessert, coffee, breakfast
- Lenten Reflection Evenings (maybe w/soup and bread): bilingual/bicultural tables to have the opportunity to share personal experiences and interests relative to our parish community and life in the church
- how can we get information from those who are fearful of what the new administration is planning in order to help
- I would like to find out from the 12:30 community how we can work together or try to be prepared for the threats to their families and livelihoods that the coming immigration policies will bring
- Sharing a meal or dessert with both groups. family ice cream social or game night
- Fundraiser for youth group: work on parishioners' yards, painting, gutters. Each community teach cooking to the other
- Regular combined masses
- Do things together, in small groups and larger events
- 9:30 supporting 12:30 financially, STAR gatherings, more multilingual auction/social events at accessible cost with 9:30 financial support
- Skill building together-- cooking, crafts
- In gatherings mix English and non-English speakers with an interpreter
- Have breakfast quarterly between masses
- Sharing food and meals
- Seems like doing one or two of the things in paragraph 2 well would be more effective than a scattered approach
- Maybe some people commit to regularly attending once per month the other Mass
- One on one (with a translator)
- monthly/bimonthly church dinners/gatherings
- Make Spanish mass at an earlier time. Have Mass start on time and not practice songs before
- Go to each other's Mass
- set up dinners to get to know each other
- Events between masses, learn each other’s language meetings, team building trips or travel

Question 4:

Individual suggestions, 12:30 Mass:

- Please, share with us whatever ideas you have about how to get the parishioners from both masses to coexist and get to know each other better
- It’s important that both communities are in constant communication with each other so that we can appreciate how large and culturally diverse our parish is. For example, a bulletin in Spanish, not just in English. The Latino and Mayan communities don't use email much, we could send out the Spanish bulletin through WhatsApp or post on Facebook
- Thank you
- Bible study - multilingual
- bilingual masses and events
- Masses together
- Breakfast between 10AM and 11AM
- Let’s try to organize some meetings so we can be more united as a community
- It’s important that we're in agreement on projects and ideas
- get-togethers after mass
- A meeting space after leaving mass, we could sell food, play games etc.
- organizing events to get both masses together
- A joint mass once a month
- Activities where we can get together and at the same time help the community
- To learn about and get to know people, learning and understanding English, having events together
- It’s better to meet in the morning
- have multilingual masses and events
- participating in the church
- Have coffee and bread between the two or both masses.