

**PASTORAL CARE AT ST MARKS
SURVEY**

**Thank you for your feedback!
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Have you received pastoral care from clergy at St Mark's?

- **Did you feel cared for?**
- **Did you feel heard?**
- **What else might you have hoped for?**

Have you received pastoral care from fellow parishioners?

- **Did you feel cared for?**
- **Did you feel heard?**
- **What else might you have hoped for?**

**Do you feel that your pastoral needs are generally affirmed and addressed at St Marks?
Comments?**

**Do you hesitate to let clergy know of your pastoral needs?
If so, why or why not?**

Overall, how do you feel about pastoral care at St Mark's?

What could use improvement? (Suggestions welcome!)

Have you provided lay pastoral care?

- **To your fellow parishioners?**
- **To the wider church community?**

Do you feel equipped for this role?

What do you like about the care-giving role?

- **What don't you like?**
- **What is challenging?**

**Have you felt over-extended in your caregiving responsibilities at St Mark's?
Please explain/describe:**

Would you be interested in learning more about providing care to parishioners at St Marks?
And/or to the wider church community?

Would you consider enrolling in a short course (6 weekly meetings) on lay pastoral care?
Potential caregiving topics, practices, and concerns to be discussed:

- *Confidentiality*
- *Active Listening*
- *Good Caring Practices...Caring not curing*
- *Caring for those who are:*
 - *Experiencing Illness – physical, emotional, and spiritual challenges*
 - *Stressed*
 - *In crisis*
 - *Lonely/Isolated*
 - *Anxious*
 - *Facing end of life issues*
 - *Experiencing challenges in faith?*
 - *Other: (Suggestions welcomed!)*
- *Pastoral care's theological grounding*
 - *Nouwen... Wounded Healer Metaphor; A Spirituality of Caregiving*
 - *Guenther---Midwife Metaphor*
 - *Spirituality of Pastoral Care*
- *Social justice implications:*
 - *Prophetic role of pastoral care*
 - *Self-awareness of our systemic biases...(and baggage)*
- *Pandemic Specific Pastoral Care Concerns:*
 - *Isolation*
 - *Loneliness*

- o Anxiety*
- o Lack of connection to the church community.*
- o Technology issues – the elderly*

**Would you be interested in receiving pastoral care at St Mark's?
In a particular area of pastoral care?**

Do you have further questions, concerns or comments?

