



ALL SAINTS PARISH

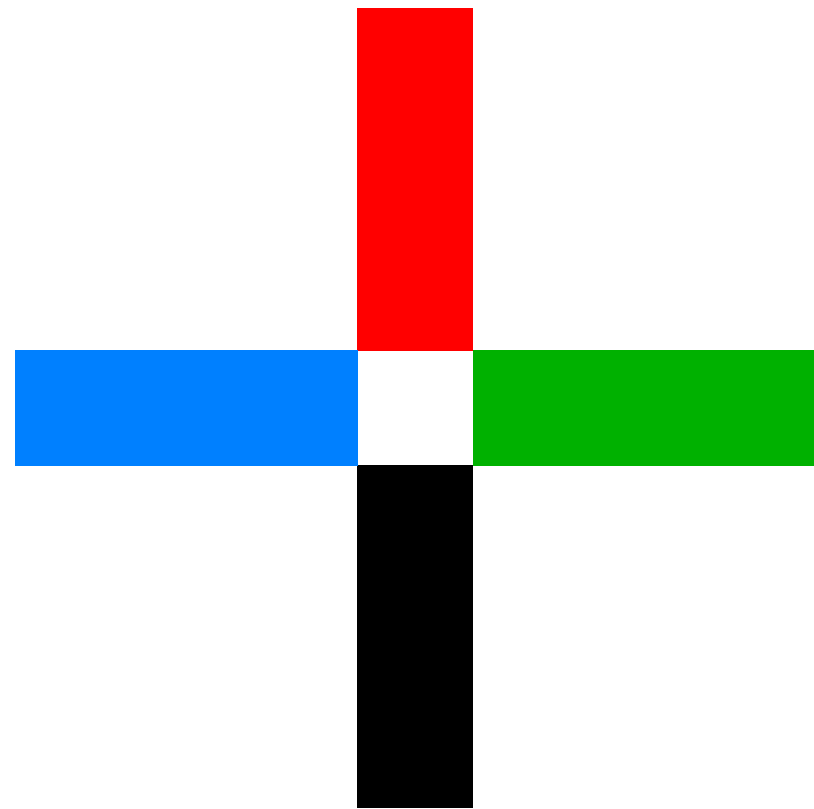
One faith,
one family

SURVEY OF PARISH LIFE MARCH 2015



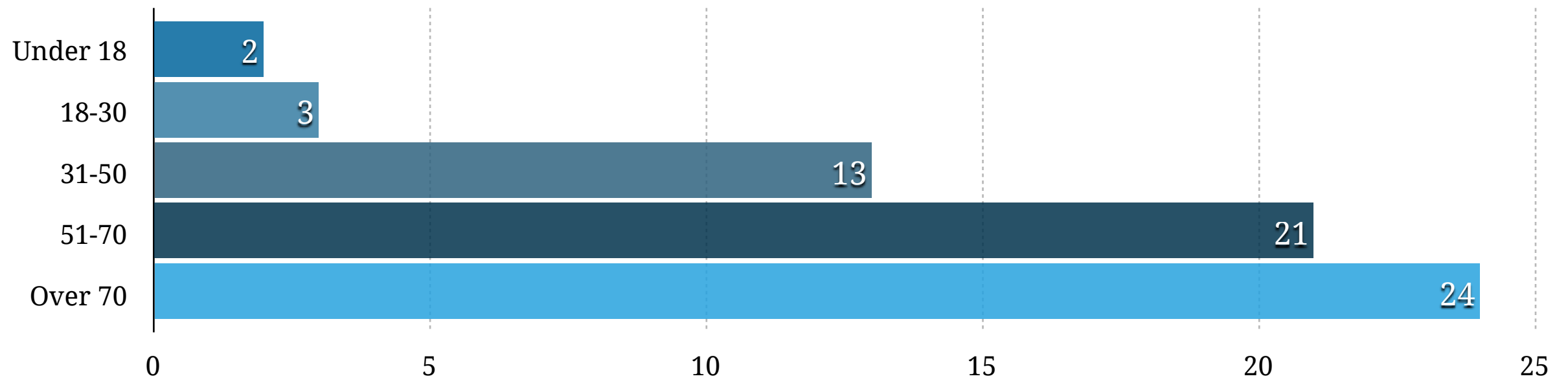
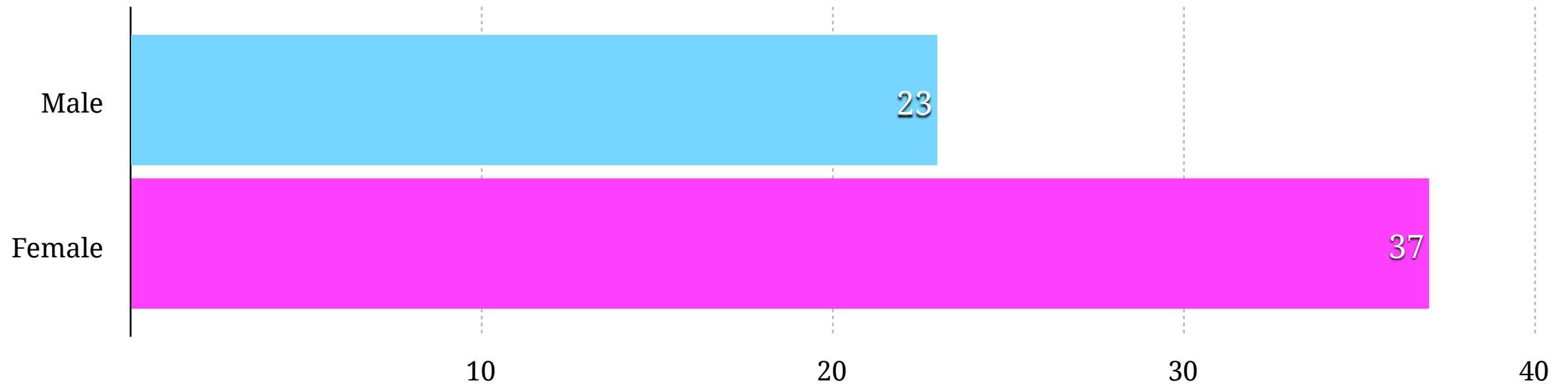
PART ONE

Statistical Analysis



DEMOGRAPHY OF RESPONDENTS

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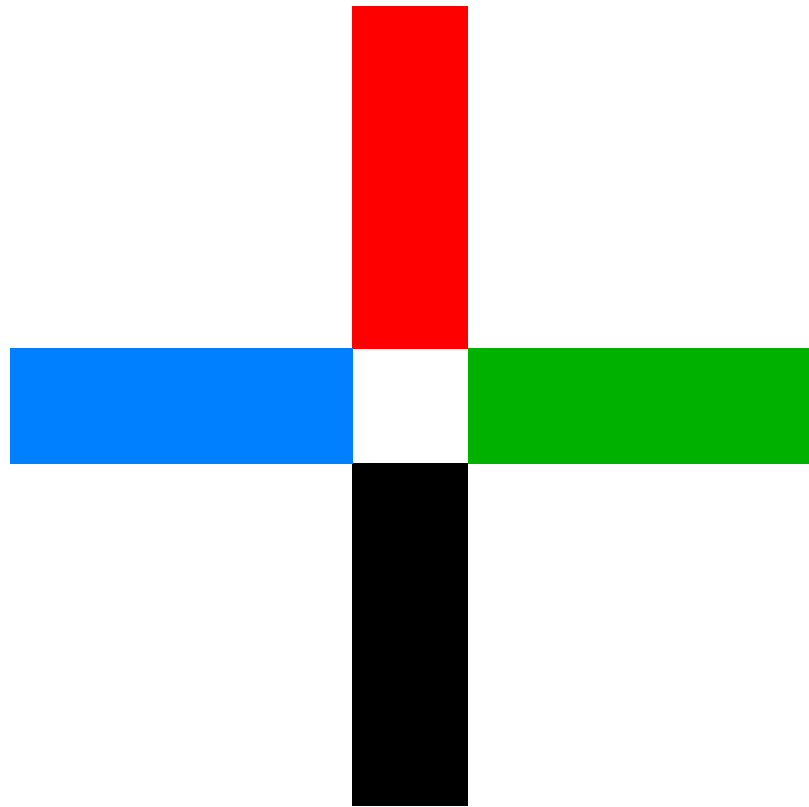


LITURGY

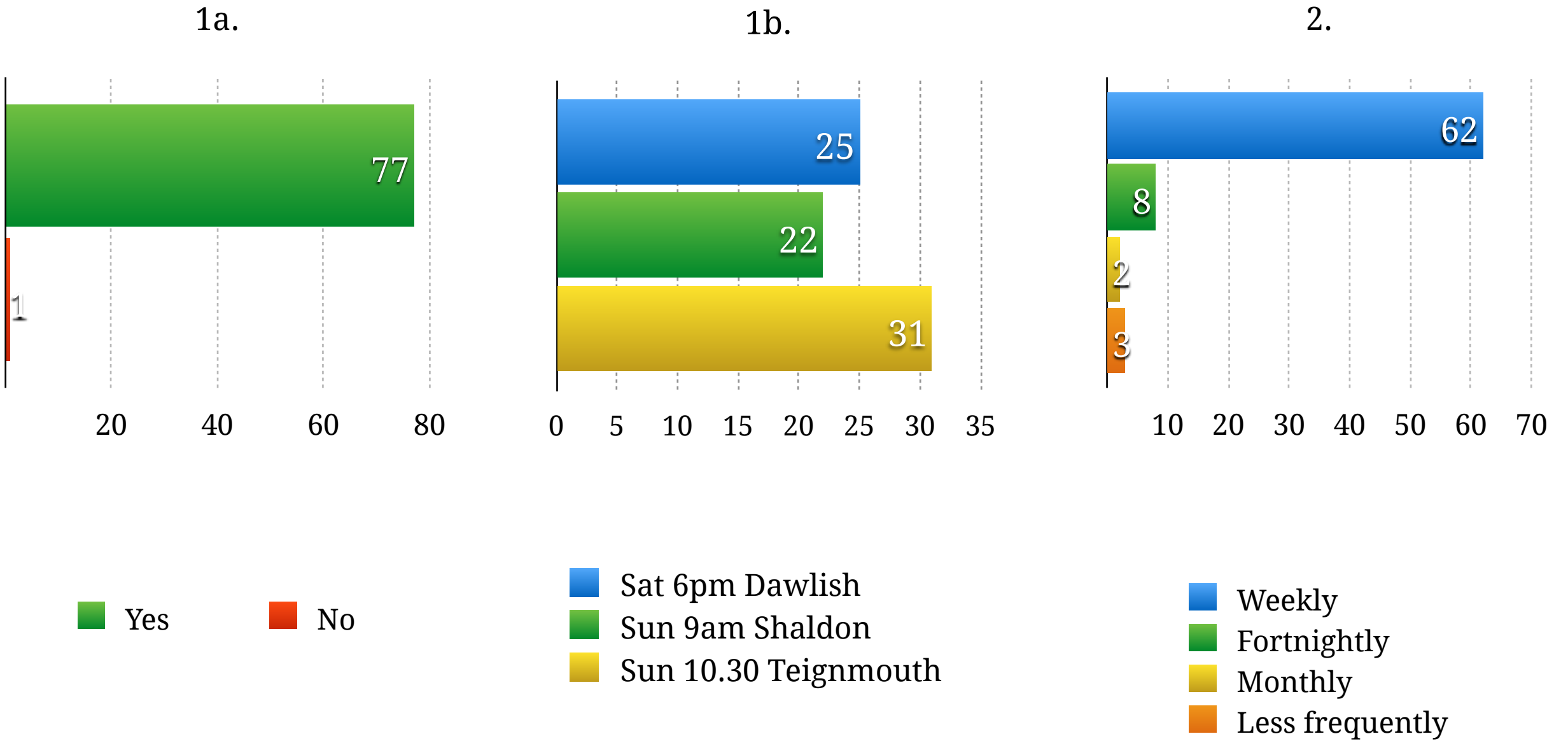
It is the whole community, the Body of Christ united with its Head, that celebrates. “Liturgical services are not private functions but are celebrations of the Church which is ‘the sacrament of unity,’ namely, the holy people united and organised under the authority of the bishops.

Therefore, liturgical services pertain to the whole Body of the Church. They manifest it, and have effects upon it. But they **touch individual members of the Church in different ways**, depending on their orders, their role in the liturgical services, and their actual participation in them.”

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH 1140



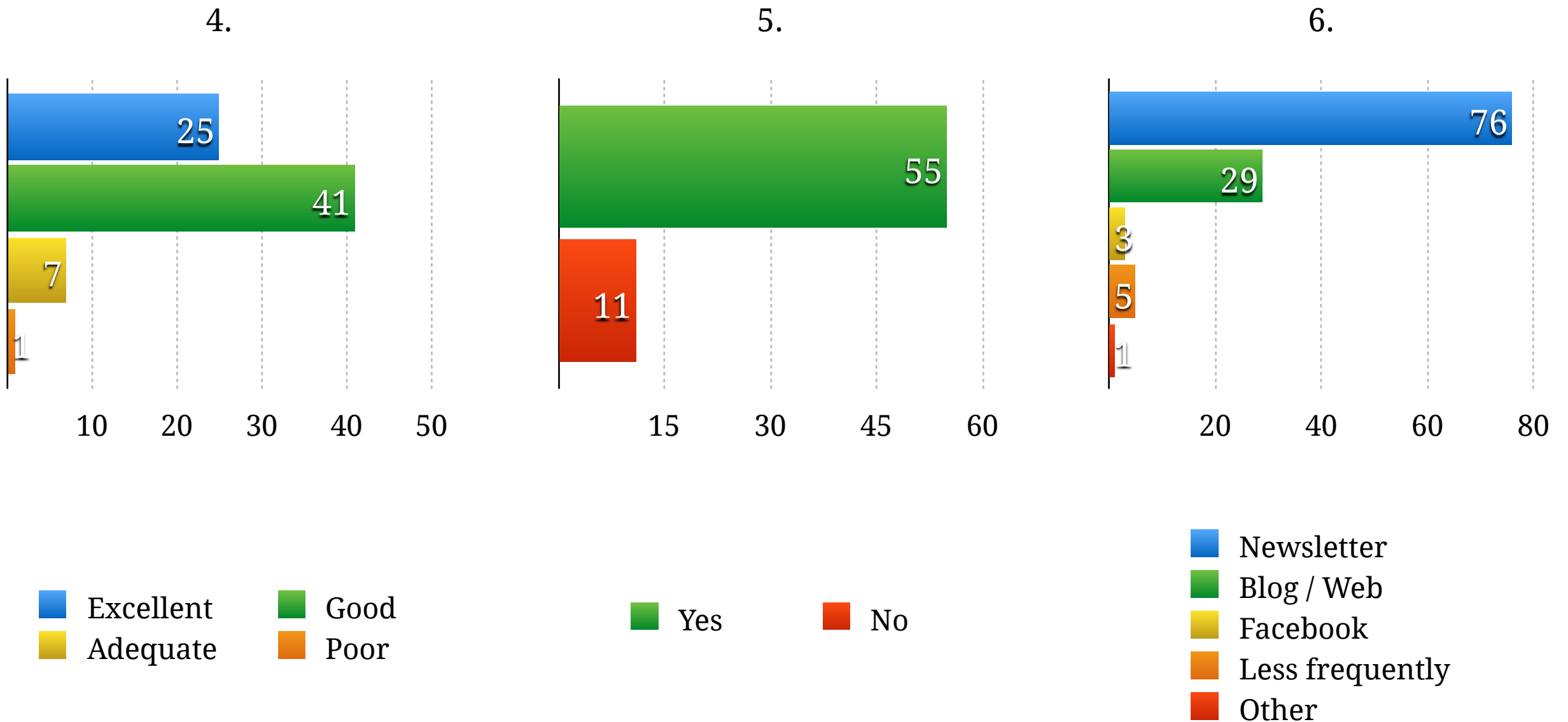
1. a. Do you normally attend Sunday Mass at All Saints Parish?
 b. If yes, which Mass do you normally attend?
2. How often do you attend?



4. Are the current Mass times and locations convenient?

5. Weekday Masses are usually celebrated at 10am / 7pm. Do you find these times convenient?

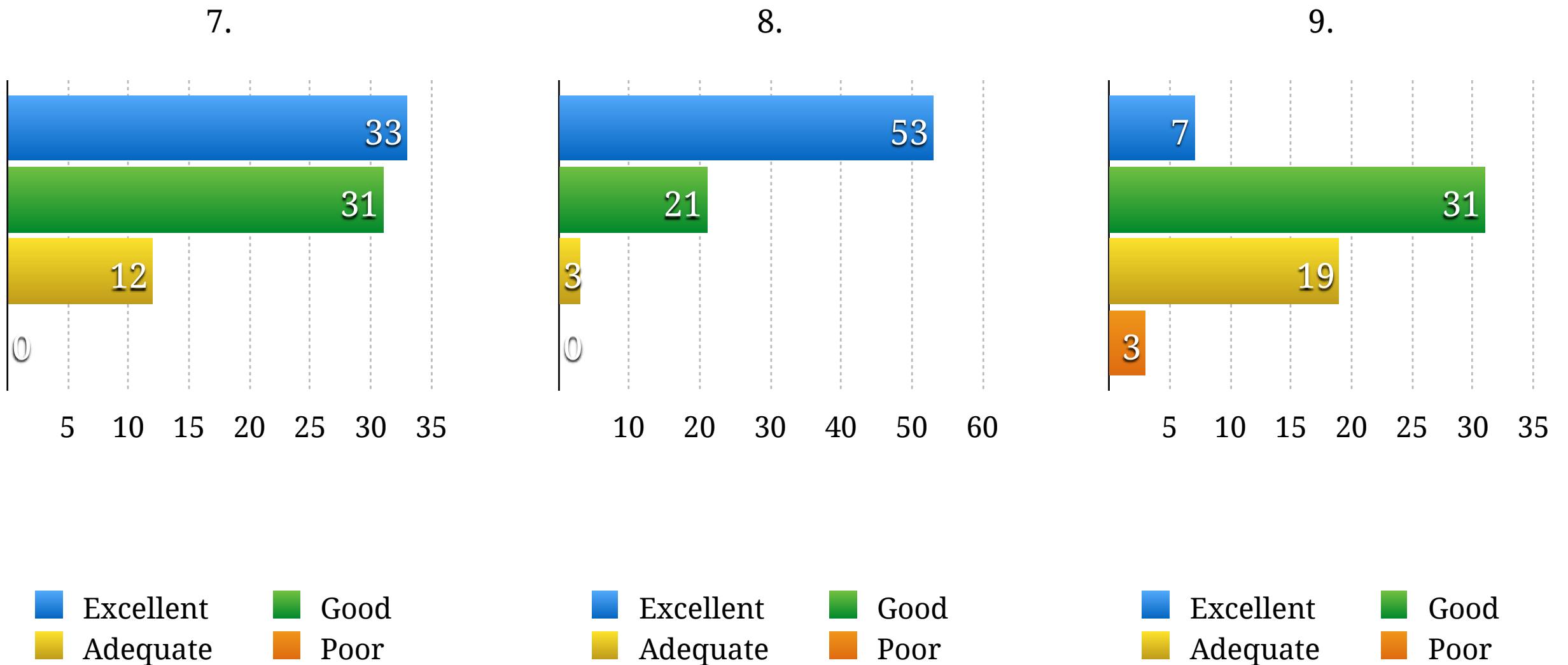
6. How do you find out about the times of Mass and services?



7. Does the Liturgy, as celebrated, meet your spiritual needs?

8. Do you find the homilies spiritually nourishing/encouraging?

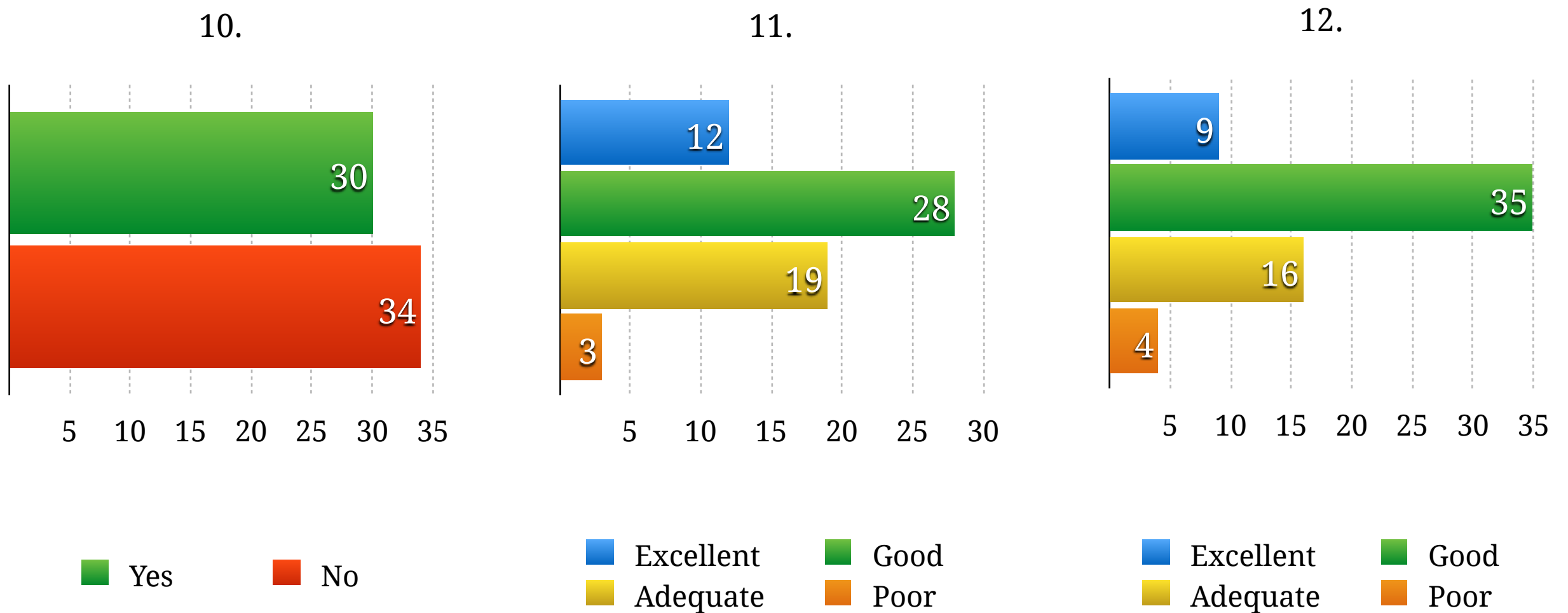
9. Do you feel your spiritual life is enriched by other forms of worship currently available?



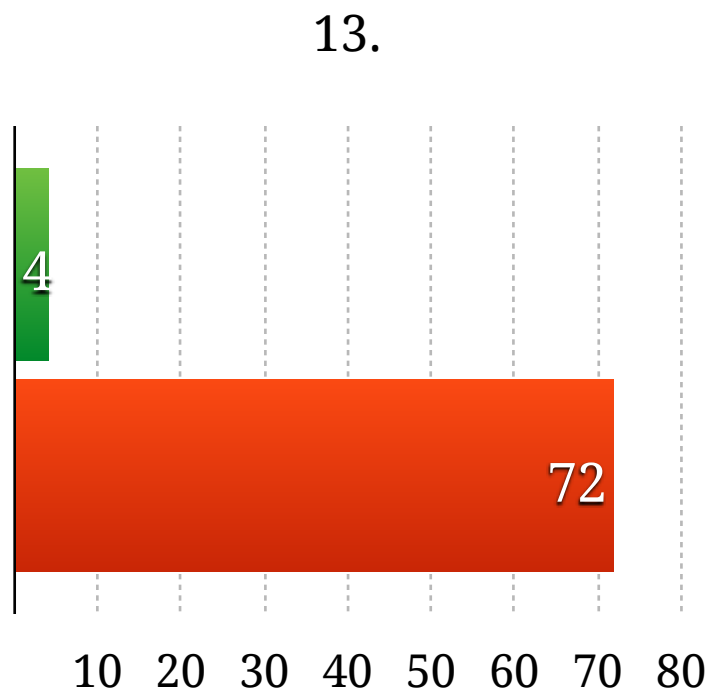
10. Would you be willing to take part in the preparation and celebration of these liturgies?

11. Do the current arrangements for celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation (confessions) fulfil your needs?

12. Is the parish good at providing opportunities for you to deepen your understanding of your faith?

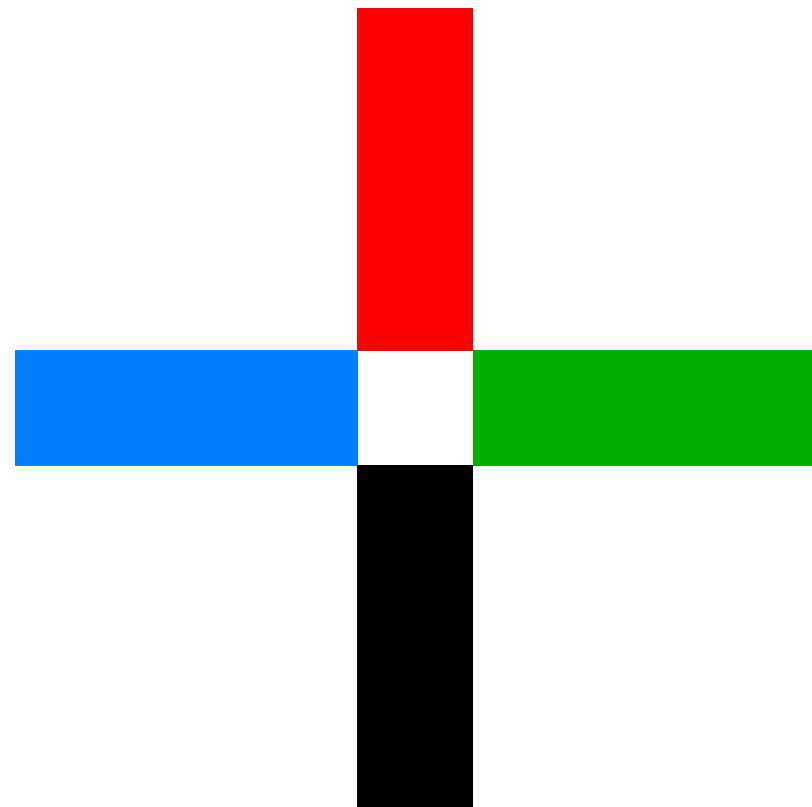


13. Do you belong to a religious lay community?



■ Yes

■ No



MINISTRY

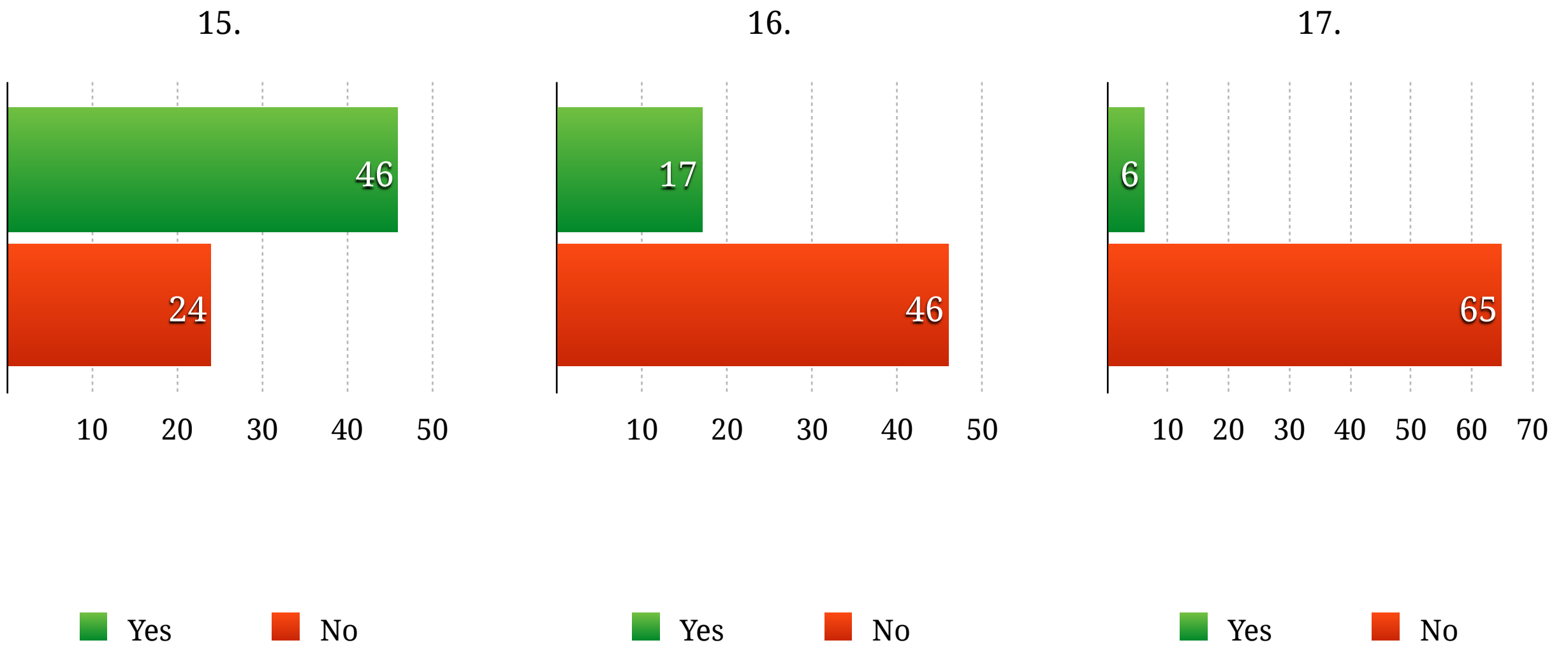
The faithful should not refuse to serve the people of God gladly whenever asked to perform some particular ministry or role in the celebration. Women and men, the young and old, people of every race and way of life should avail of these opportunities so that **the liturgy may be seen to be the work of the whole body of Christ.**

CELEBRATING THE MASS 27

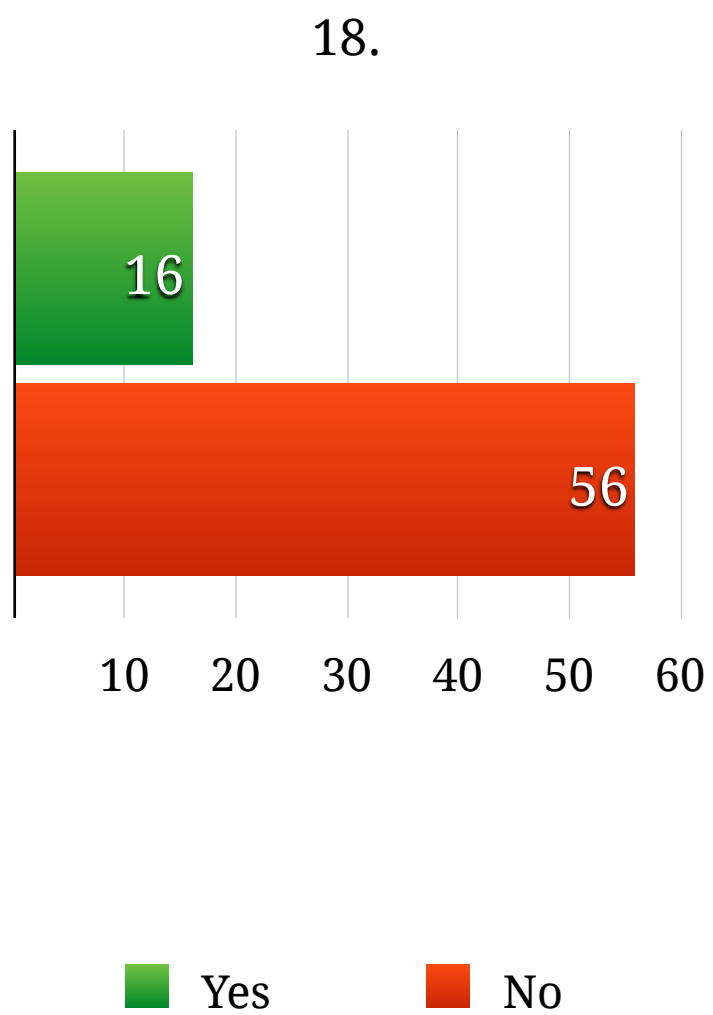
15. Are you currently or would you like to be involved in ministry?

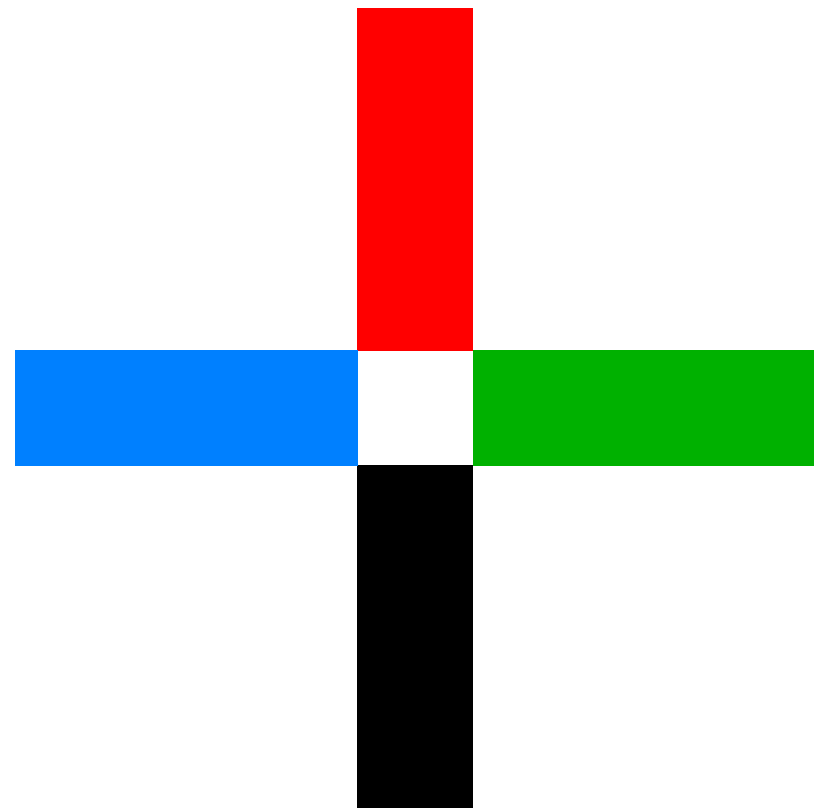
16. Would you be interested in being a part of the welcoming ministry in the parish?

17. Do you, or would you like to, serve at the altar?



18. Do you, or would you like to, support the music at our liturgies?

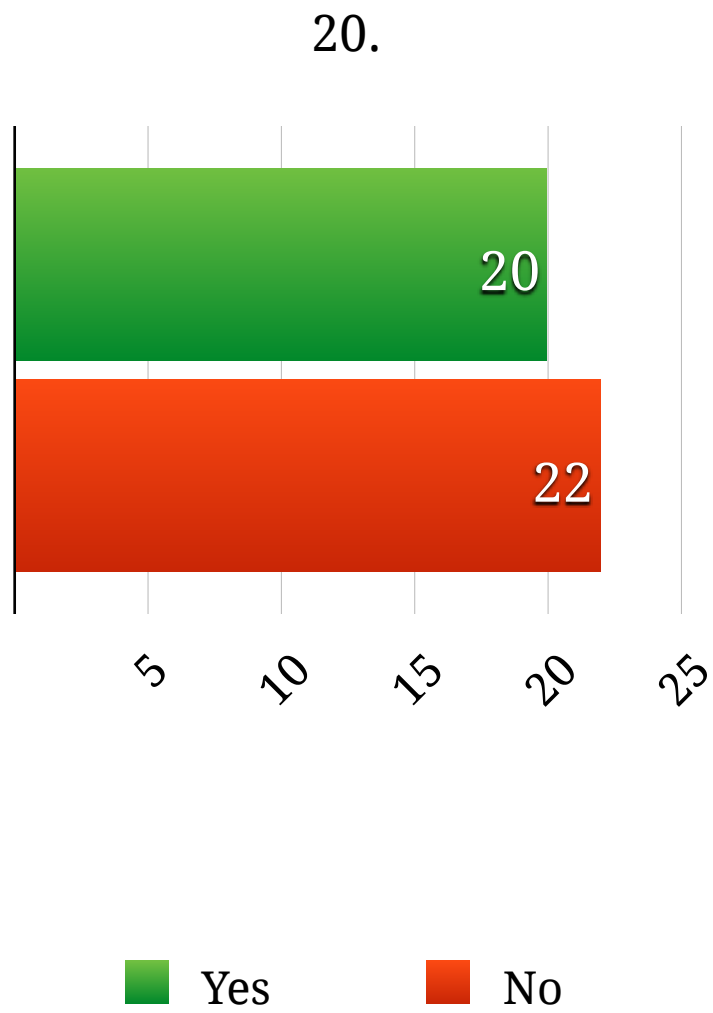


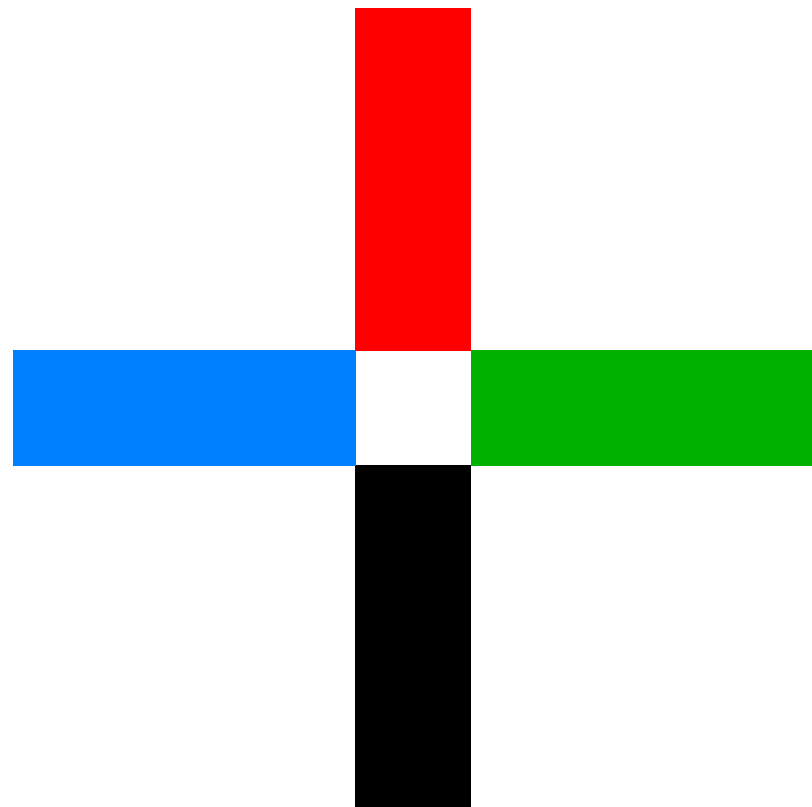


PARISH GROUPS

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20. Would you be willing to establish or to be part of such a group?



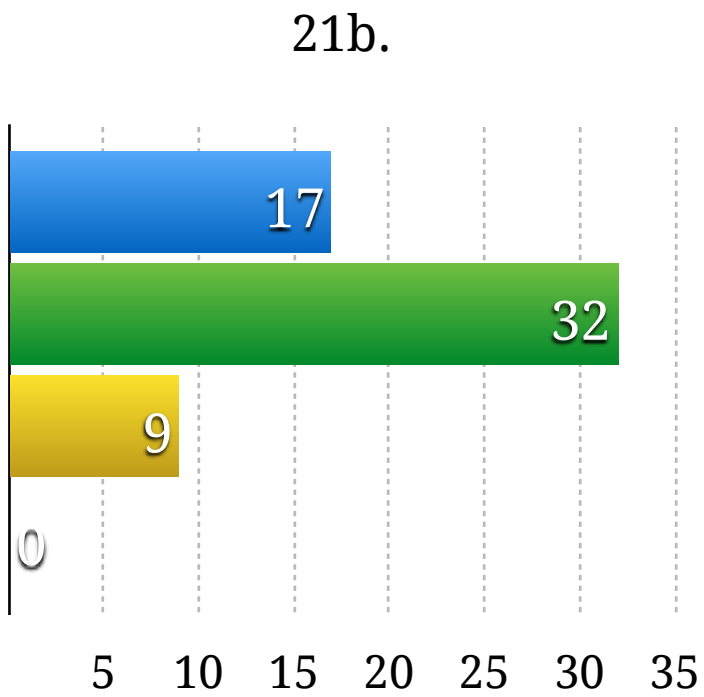
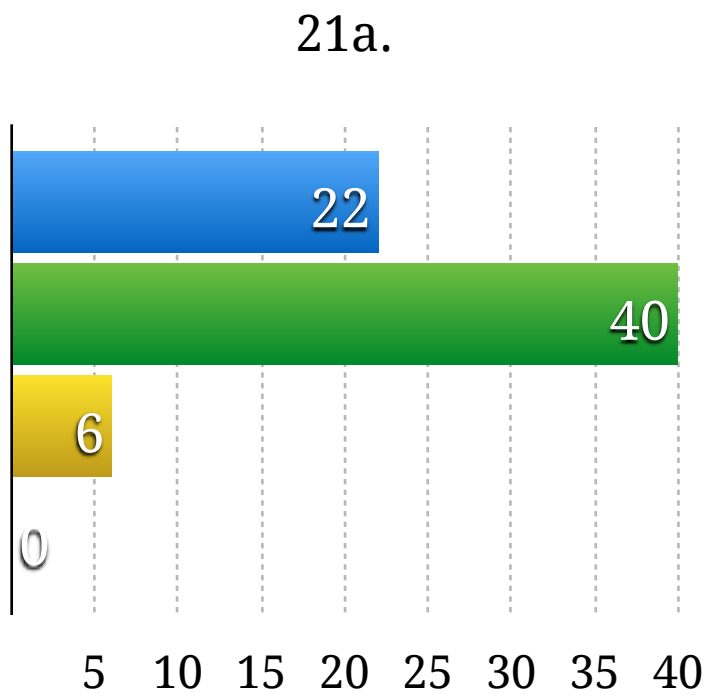


ACCESSIBILITY

As full and equal members of the assembly, people with disabilities are **entitled to participate fully** in the Liturgy, including as liturgical ministers.

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21. a. Do you think our parish venues are accessible and inclusive?
b. Do we provide for those with special needs?

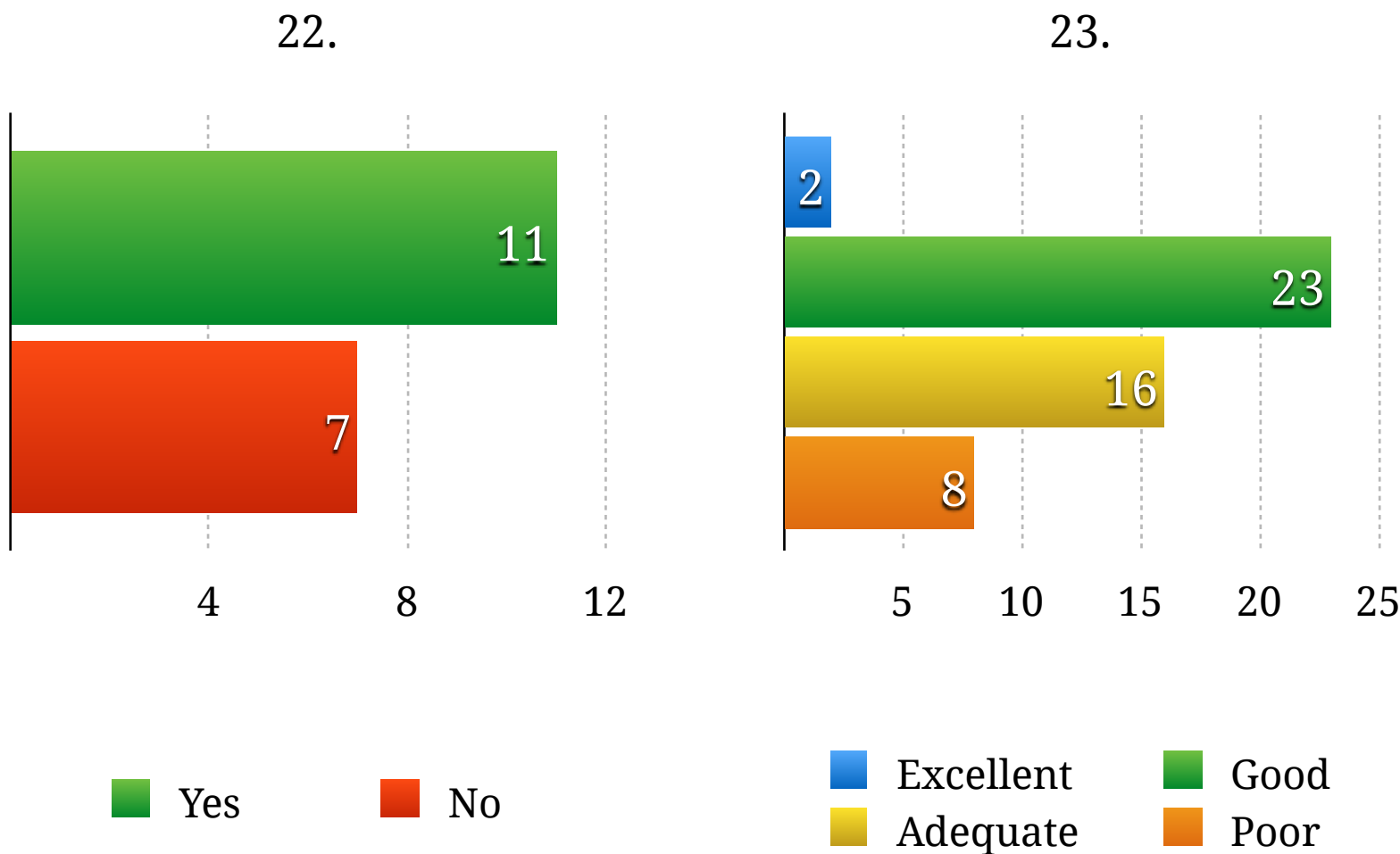


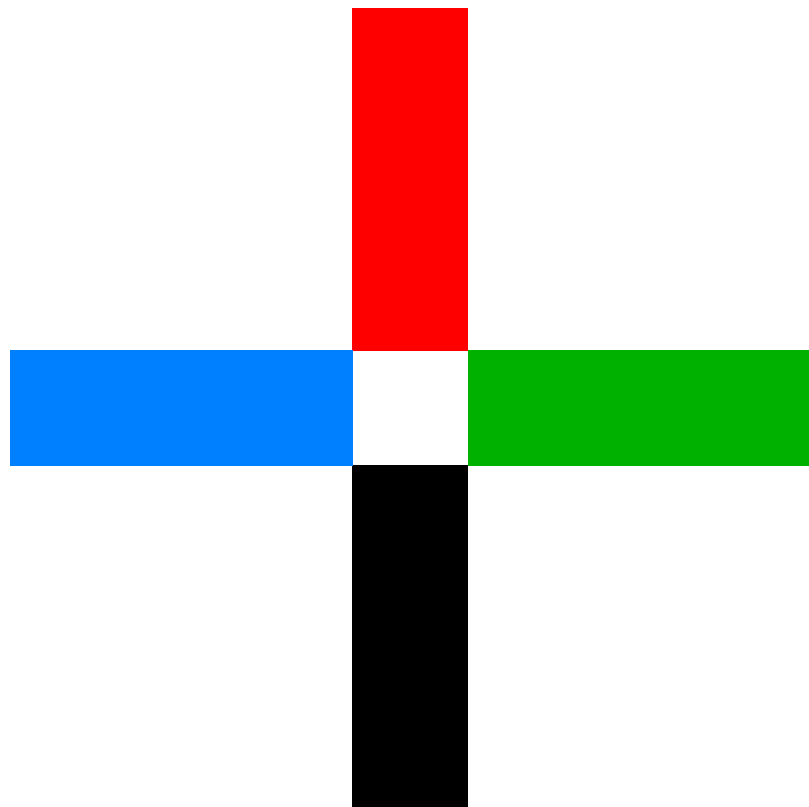
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22. If you do have special needs, are you, or are those you care for, able to attend the Liturgy when you/they want to and fully participate in it?

23. Do you think that we care adequately for those who are part of the parish but are not able to attend the liturgy regularly?





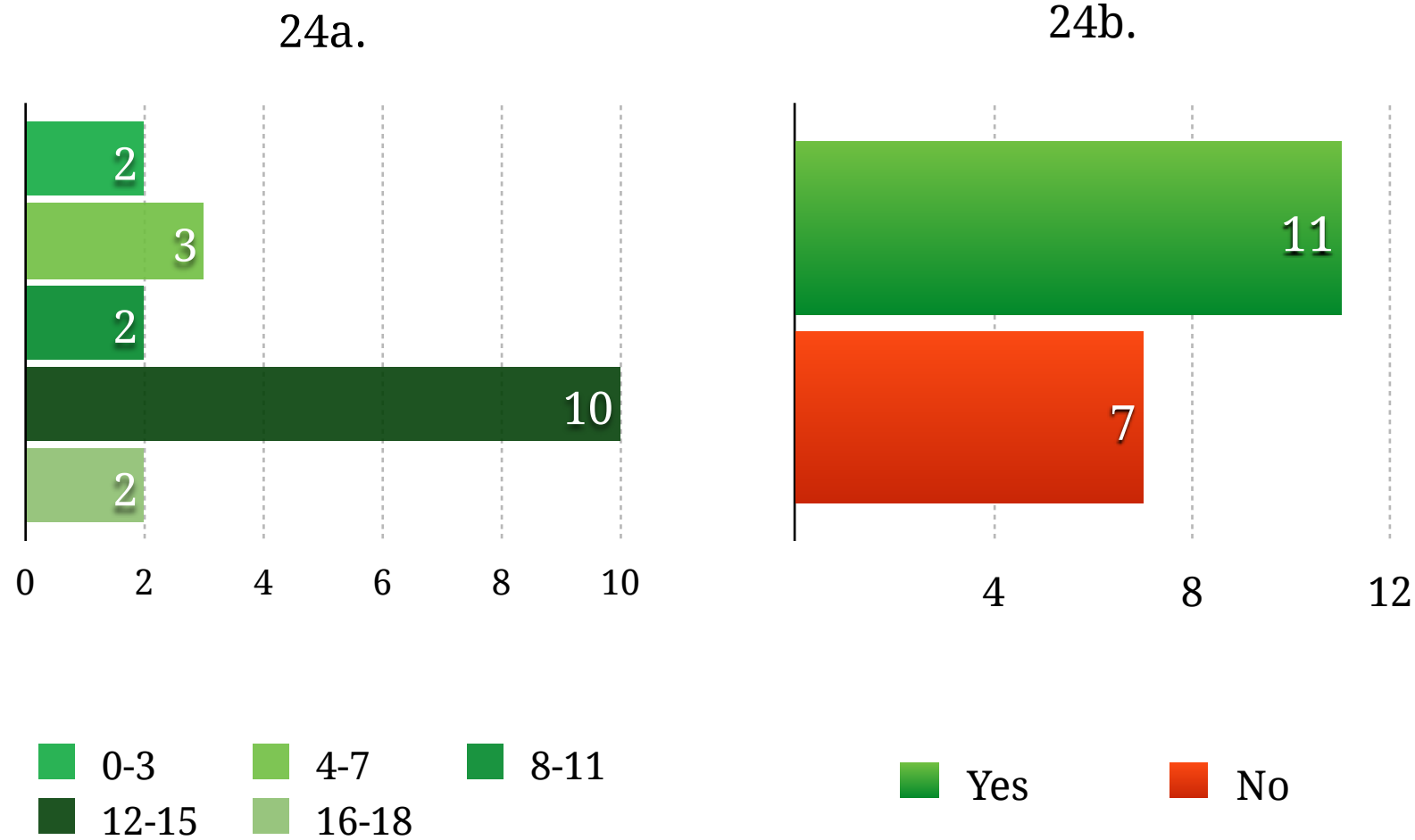
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

**You young people are brave
adventurers!** If you allow yourselves to
discover the rich teachings of the
Church on love, you will discover that
Christianity does not consist of a series
of prohibitions which stifle our desire
for happiness, but rather a project for
life capable of **captivating our hearts.**

MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS 30TH WORLD YOUTH DAY

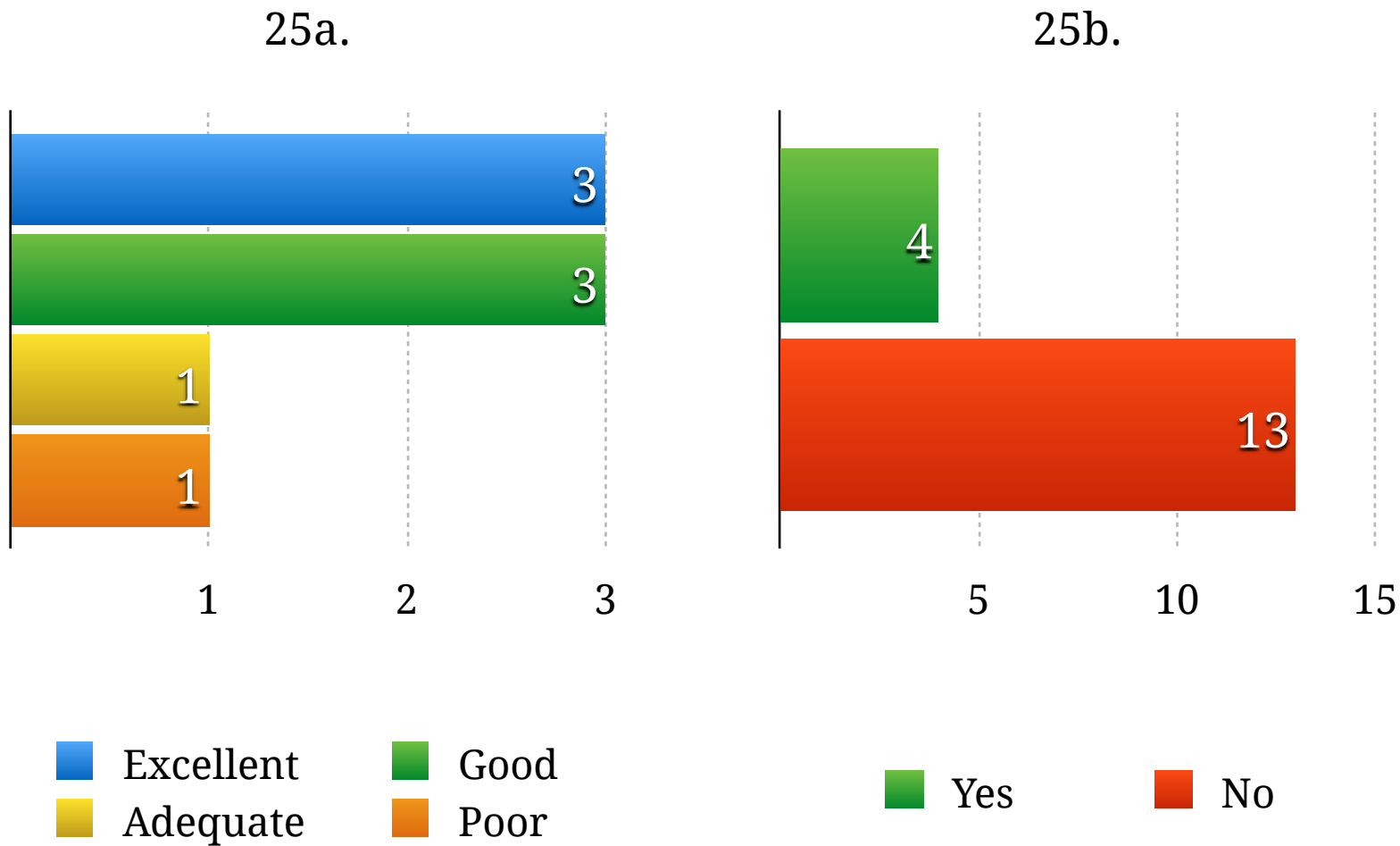
24. a. If you have children (up to 18 years old) or are one yourself, please state their/your age(s).

b. Do your children (or you) generally attend Mass?

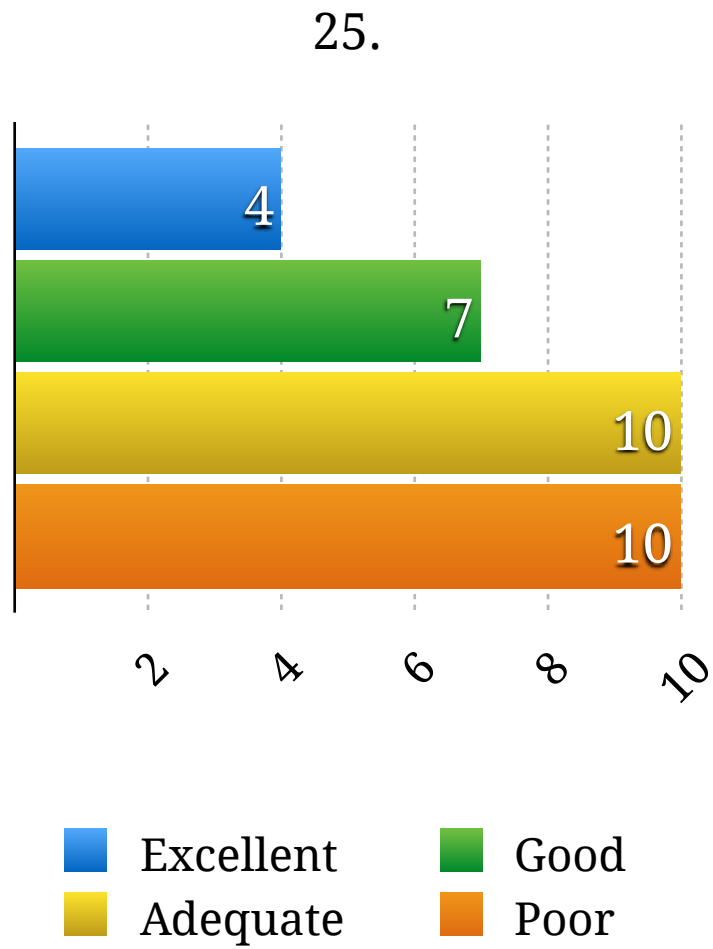


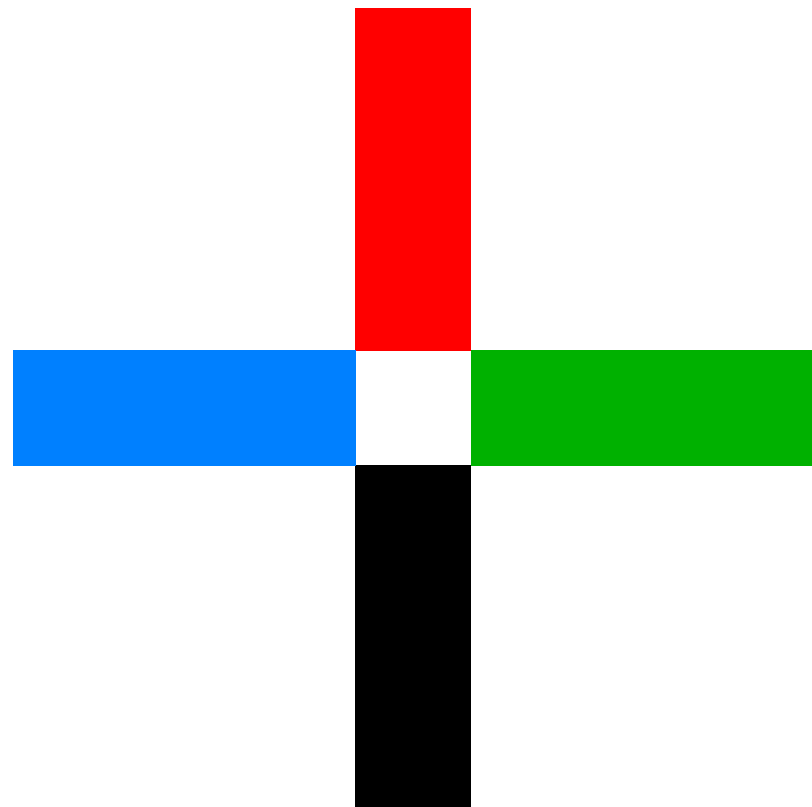
25. a. If your children have attended the Children's Liturgy of the Word, do you think it has met their spiritual needs?

b. Would you be willing to join the Children's Liturgy team?



25. Does our parish meaningfully provide for our young people, including young adults and families?





SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

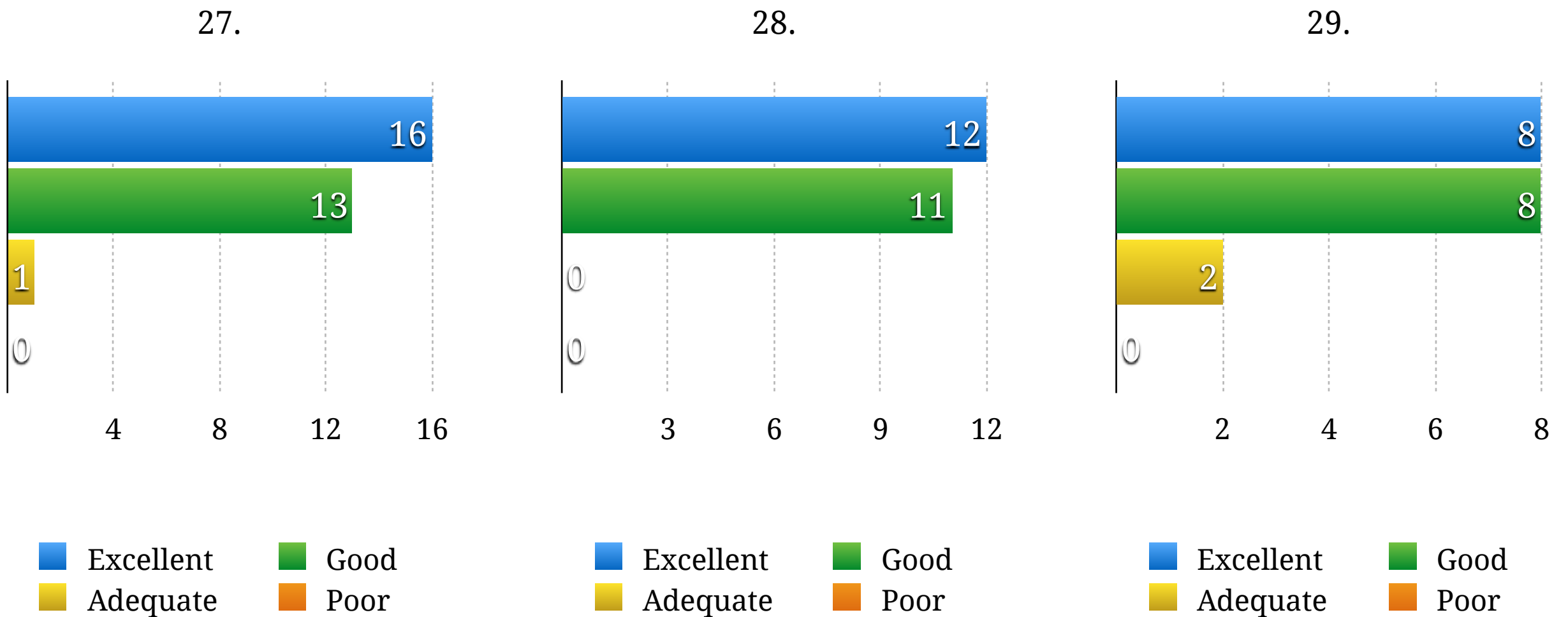
The seven sacraments touch all the stages and all the **important moments of Christian life**: they give birth and increase, healing and mission to the Christian's life of faith. There is thus a certain resemblance between the stages of natural life and the stages of the spiritual life.

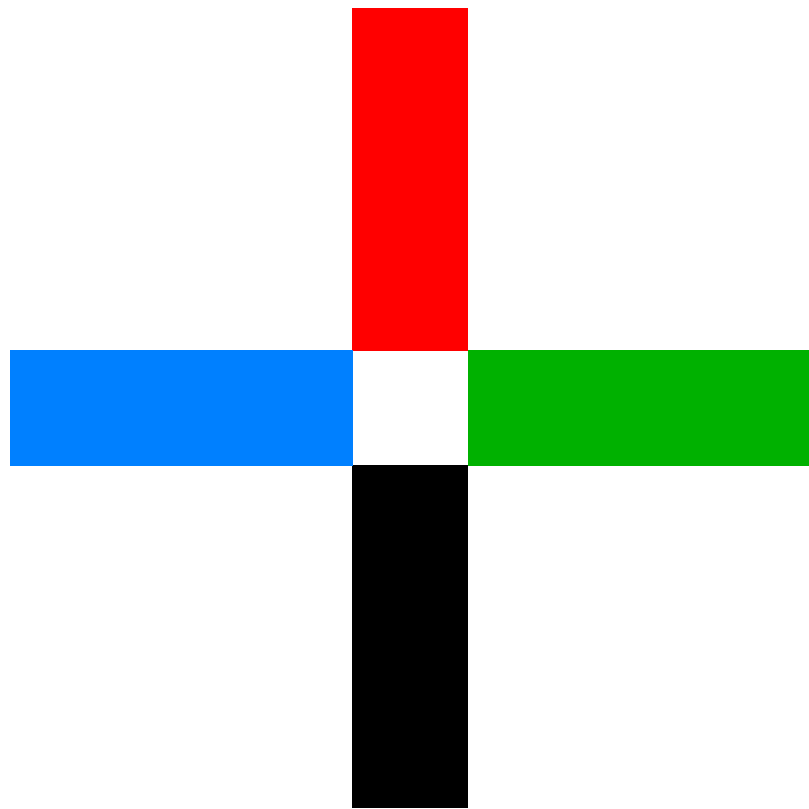
CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH 1210

27. Do we provide adequate sacramental preparation for our youngsters?

28. Are the current arrangements for preparing for and celebrating Baptism adequate?

29. Are the current arrangements for preparing for and celebrating the sacrament of Marriage adequate?





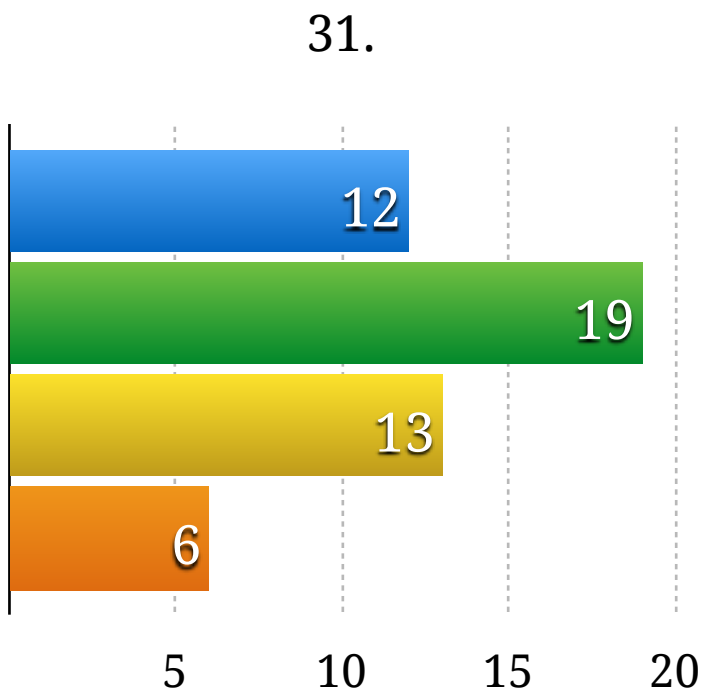
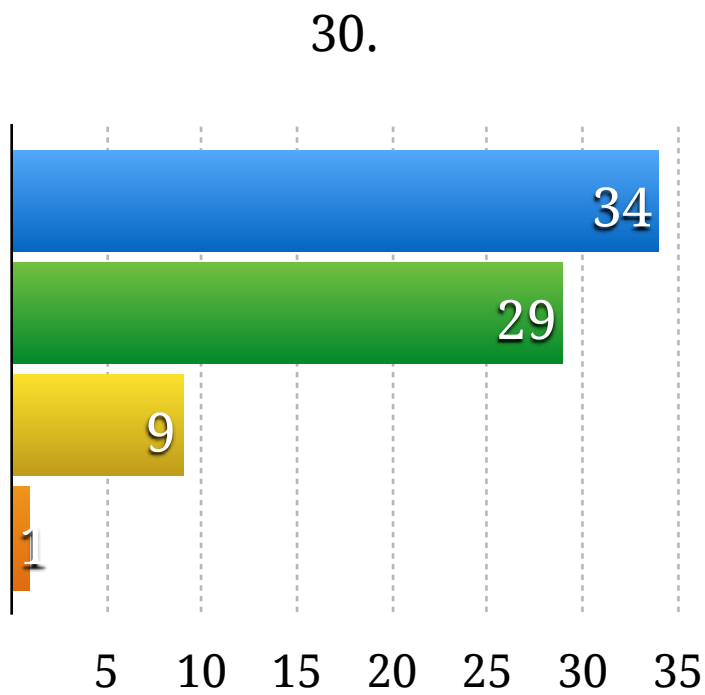
BELONGING

The Church is called to be the house of the Father, with **doors always wide open**. One concrete sign of such openness is that our church doors should always be open, so that if someone, moved by the Spirit, comes there looking for God, he or she will not find a closed door..

POPE FRANCIS EVANGELII GAUDIUM 47

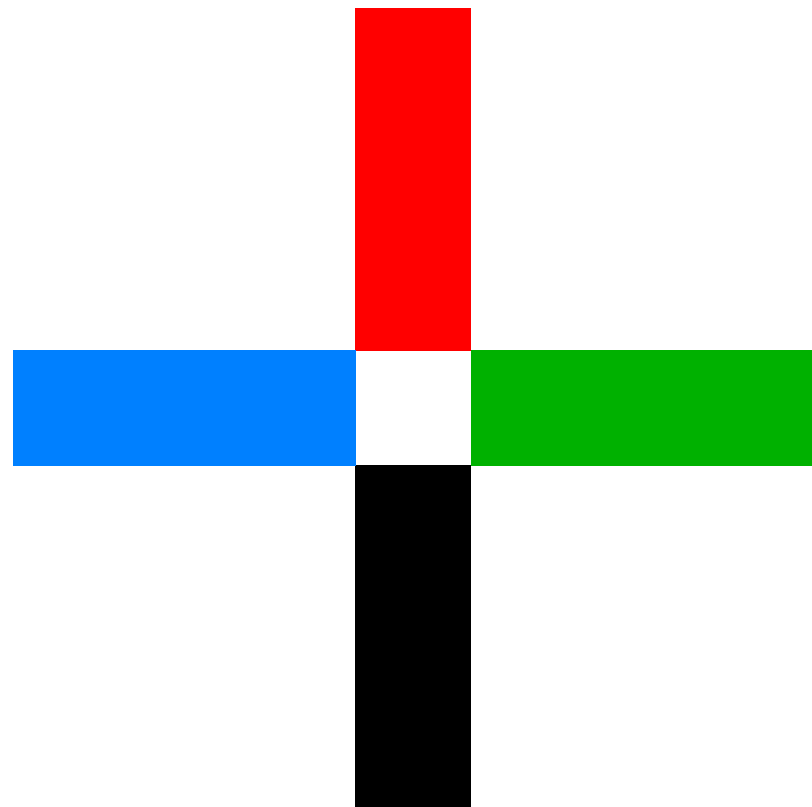
30. Do you feel welcome when you come to All Saints Parish?

31. Do you feel that we provide pastorally for one another?



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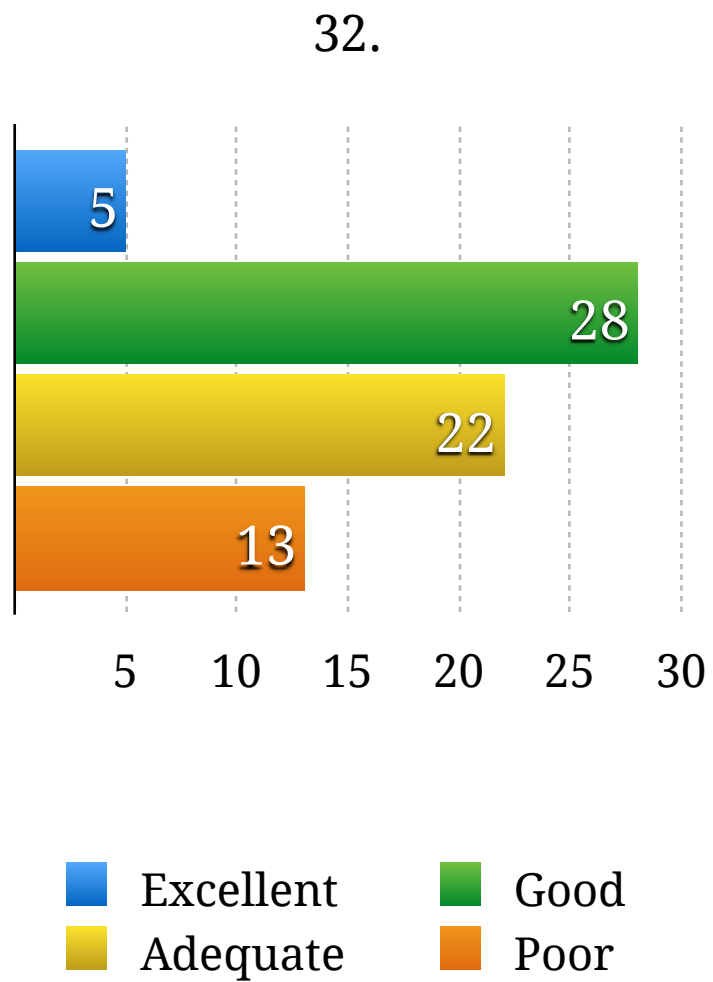


SOCIAL LIFE

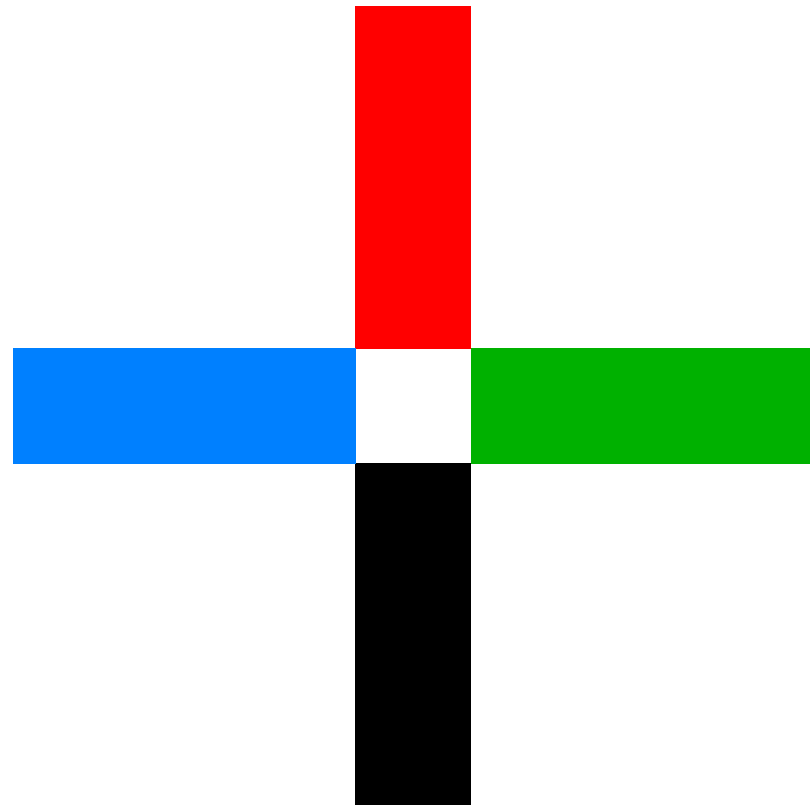
On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; ²and both Jesus and his disciples were **invited to the wedding...**

JOHN 2:1

32. Do you think we socialise enough as a parish?



CONTRIBUTION TO PARISH LIFE

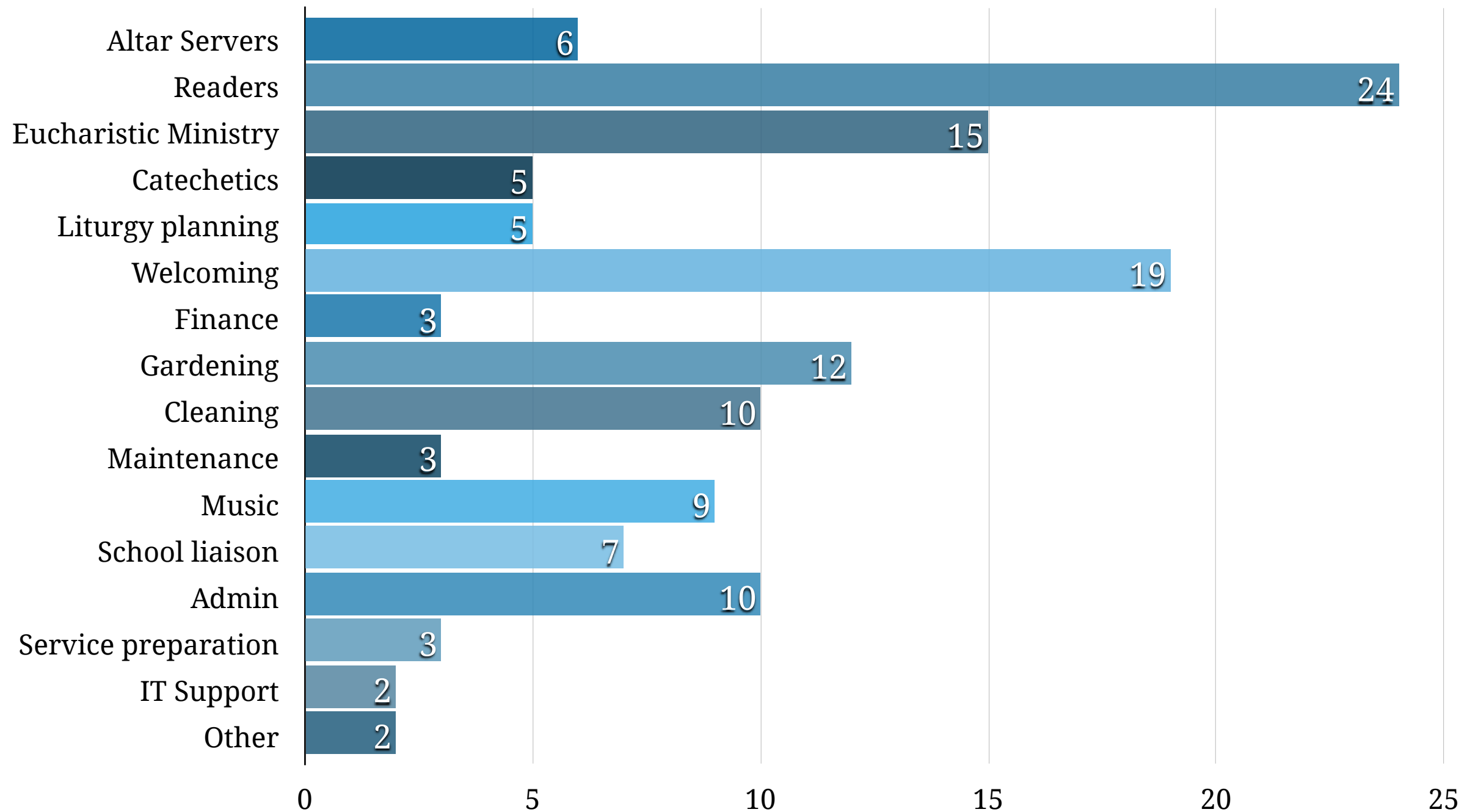


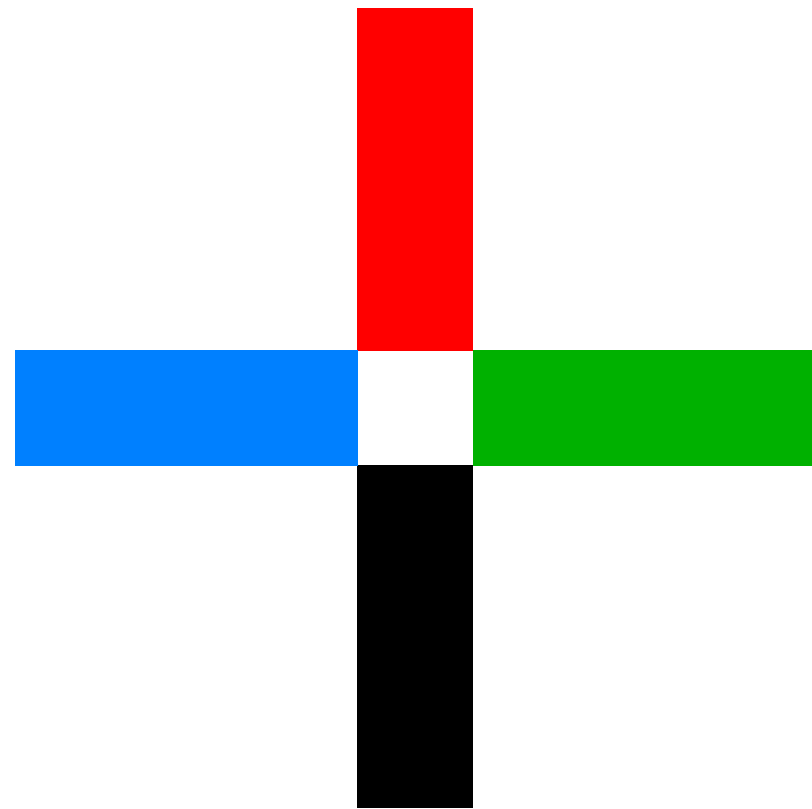
The parish is the presence of the Church in a given territory, an environment for hearing God's word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration. In all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelisers. It is a **community of communities**, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a **centre of constant missionary outreach**.

EVANGELII GAUDIUM

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33. While many people already contribute to the running of the parish, we are going to need greater involvement if we are to achieve a renewal in evangelisation for ourselves and others. Please circle any activities you would be interested in supporting:





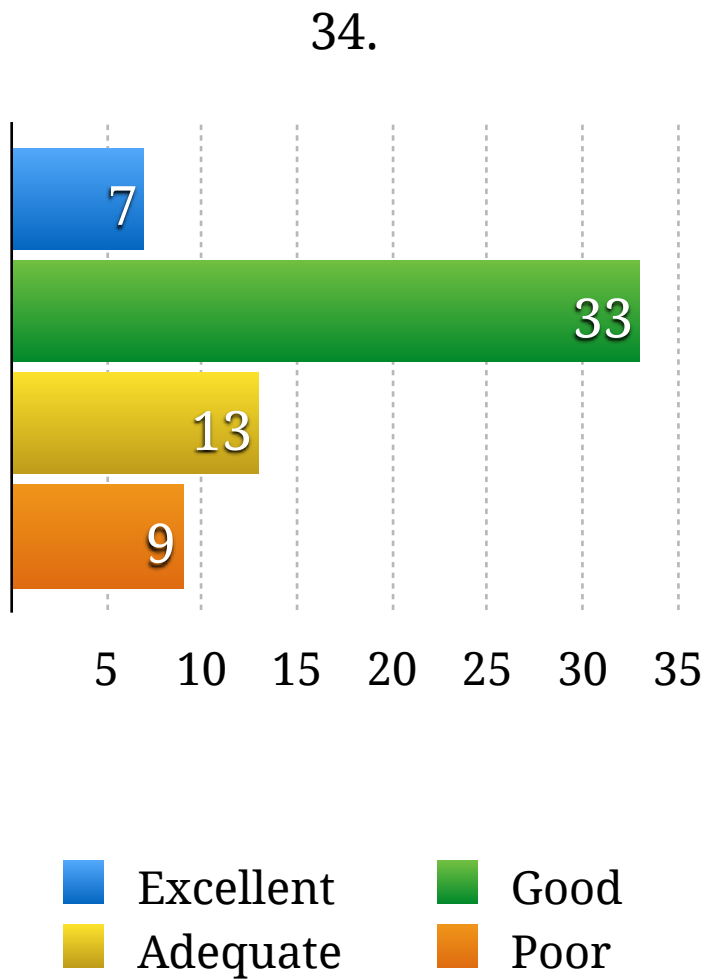
DIVERSITY

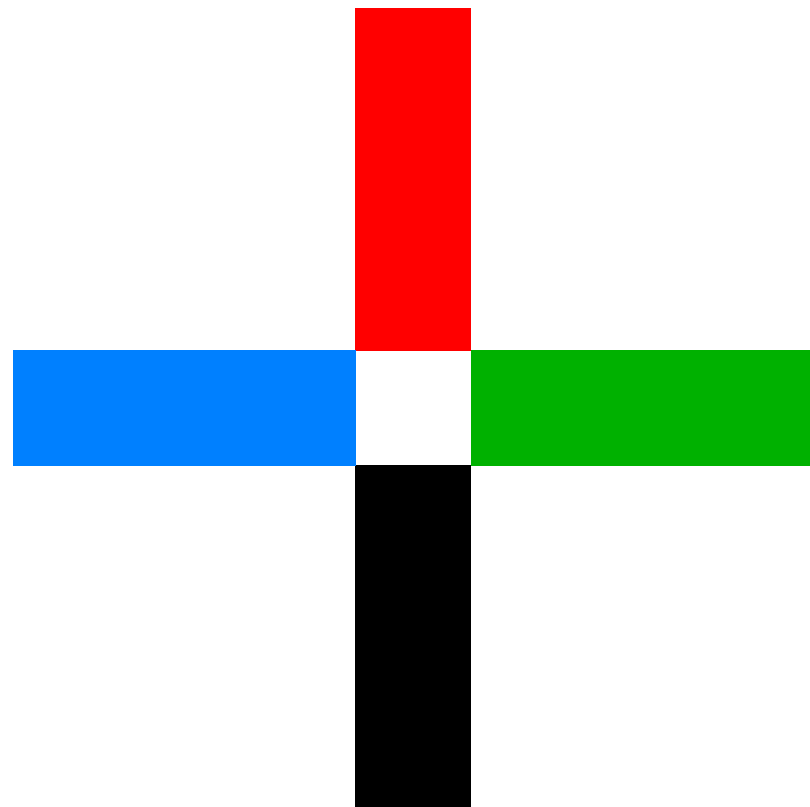
In the past, diversity was understood more as something to be overcome rather than a main component of the engine towards unity. Nowadays, church leaders and ecumenical experts have been considering how we live in society and in the Church with the pluralism and diversity of modern times. **Unity does not need to mean uniformity.** Indeed unity, to embrace all, needs richness and variety.

DIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER WEBSITE

34. We are blessed by the presence of those from other nations.

Do you feel that we do enough to include and welcome them/you?





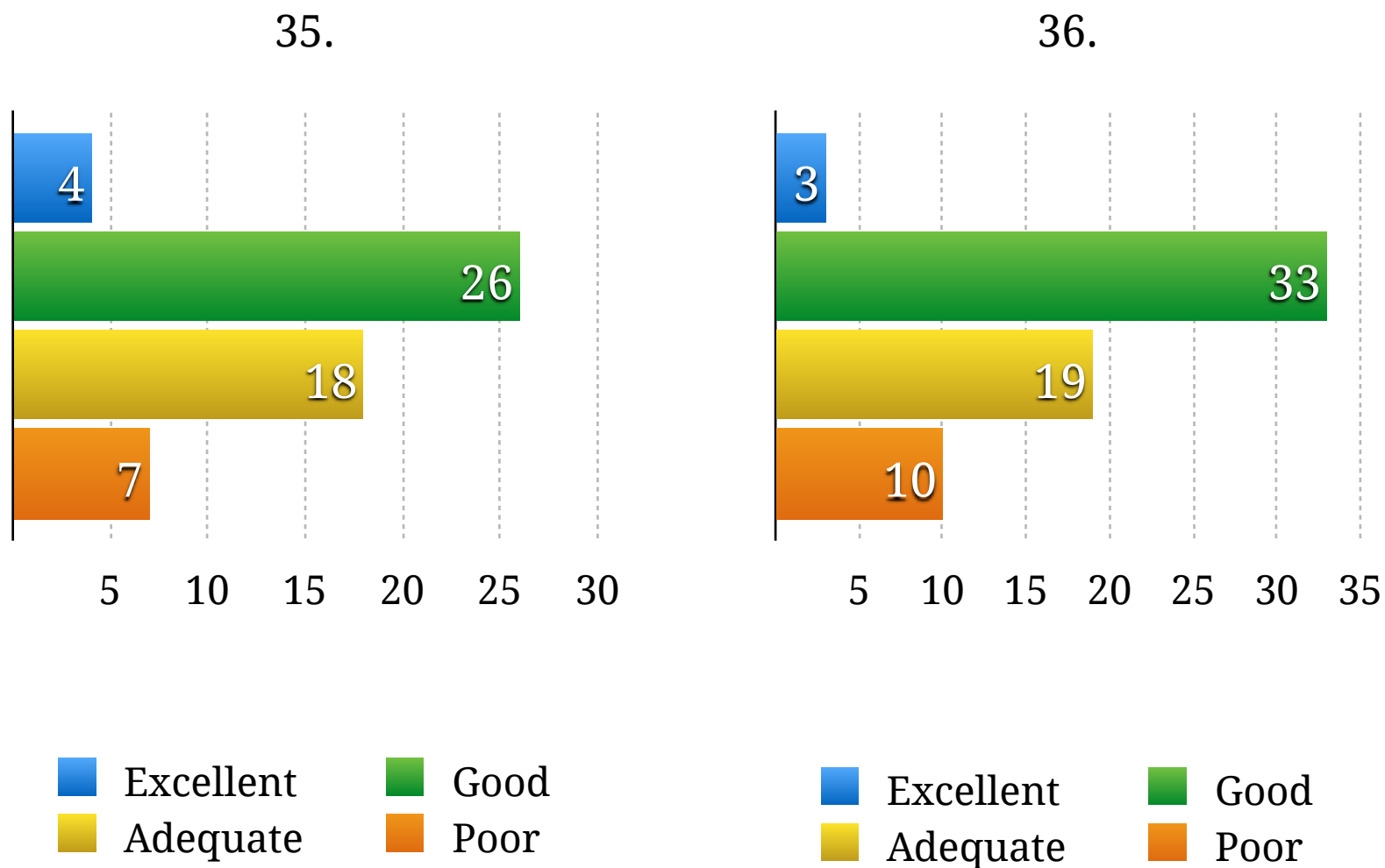
EVANGELISATION

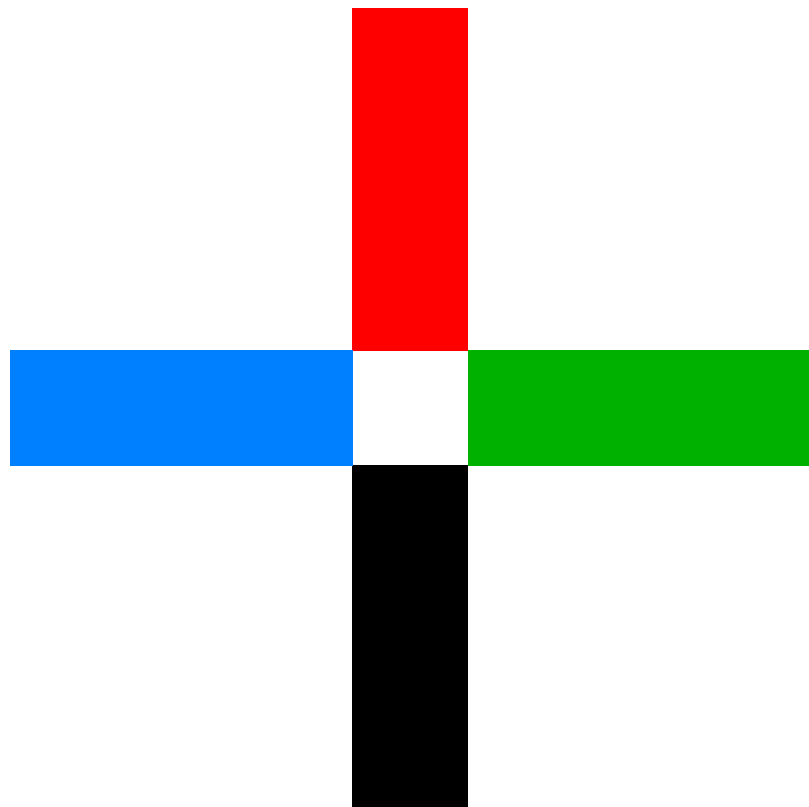
I dream of a 'missionary option', that is, **a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything**, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channeled for the evangelisation of today's world rather than for her self-preservation..

EVANGELII GAUDIUM

35. The Church calls us to reach out to others and bring them the Gospel of Jesus.
How would you assess the parish's response?

36. Do you feel that our co-operation with our sisters and brothers of other Christian denominations in this area is adequate?





FINANCE

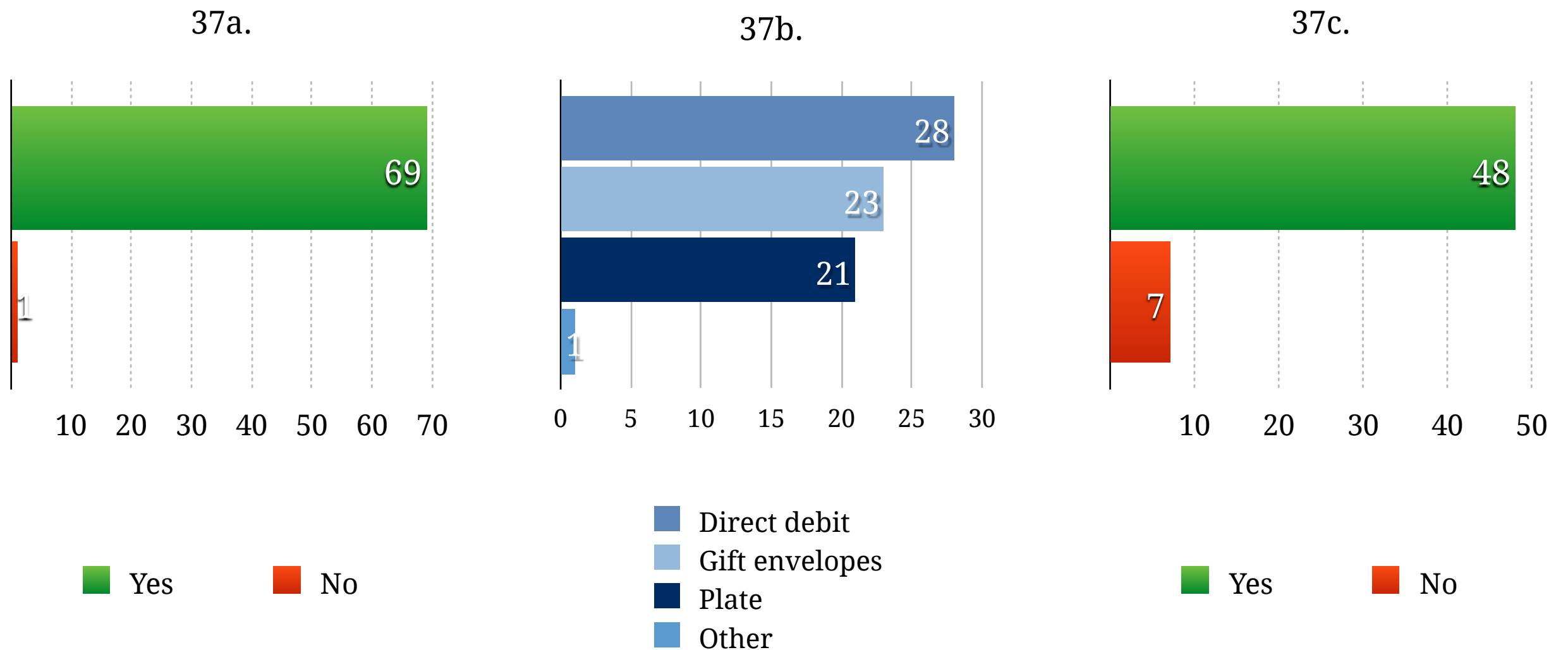
Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for **God loves a cheerful giver.**

2 CORINTHIANS 9:7

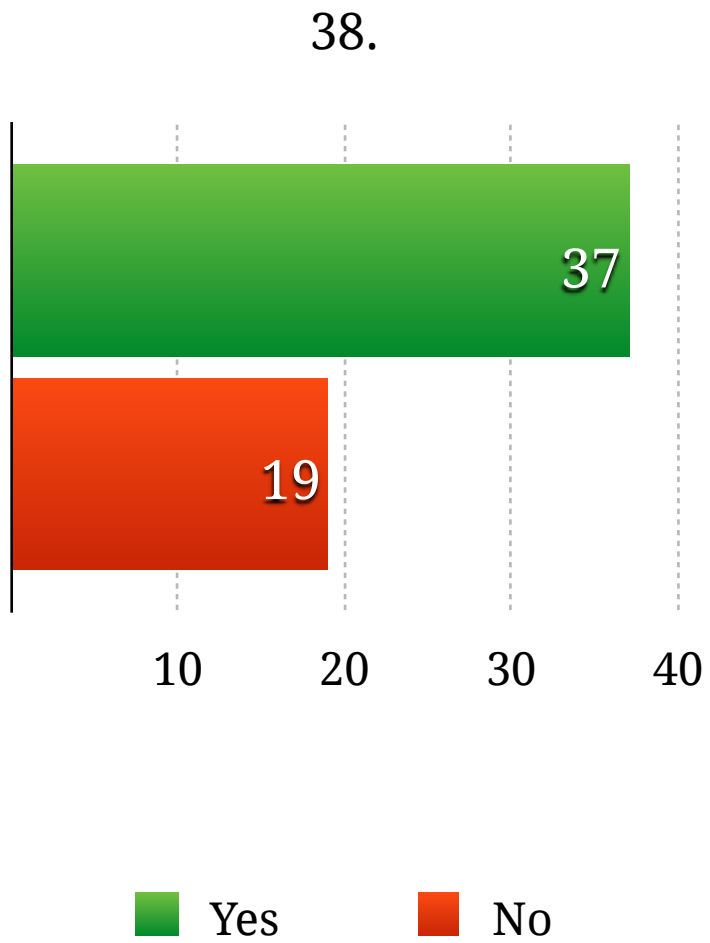
37. a. Are you aware that any contribution you make to the parish can be increased by 25% simply by your completion of a gift-aid form?

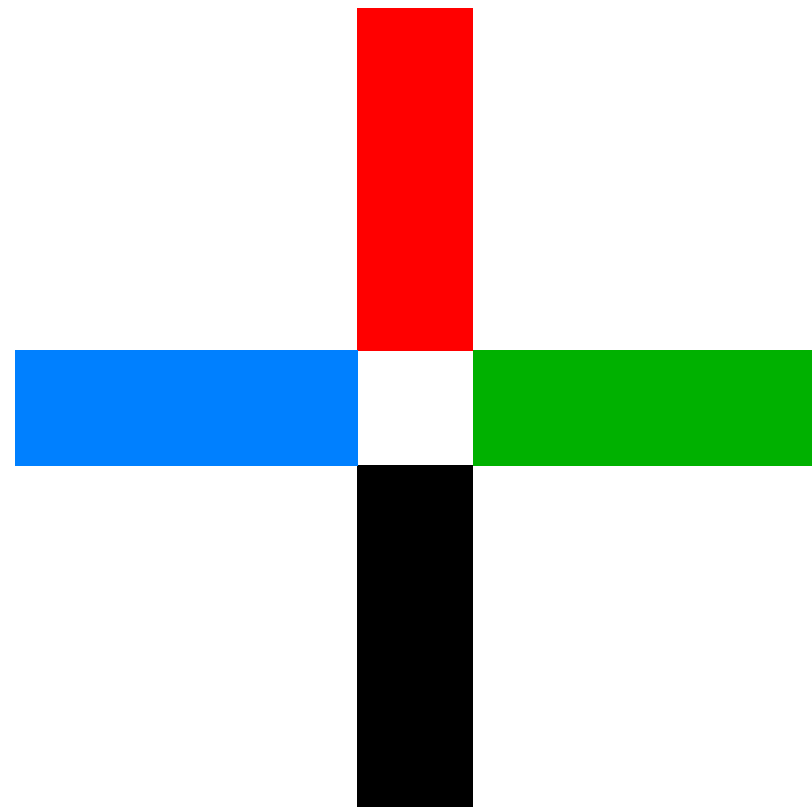
b. How do you currently contribute to the parish?

c. Do you plan your giving?



38. Our parish has benefited greatly from the generosity of legacies.
Would you consider leaving the parish something in your will?





COMMUNICATION

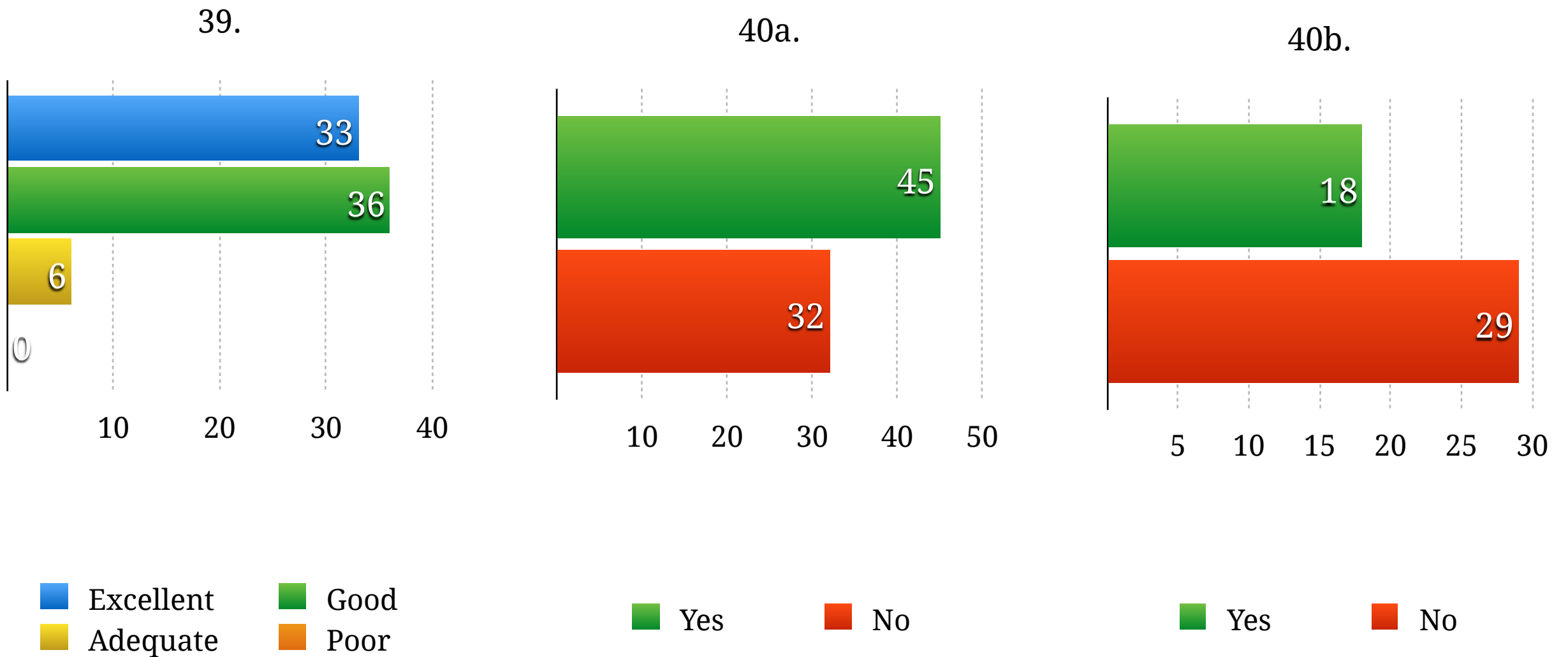
Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is **helpful for building others up** according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

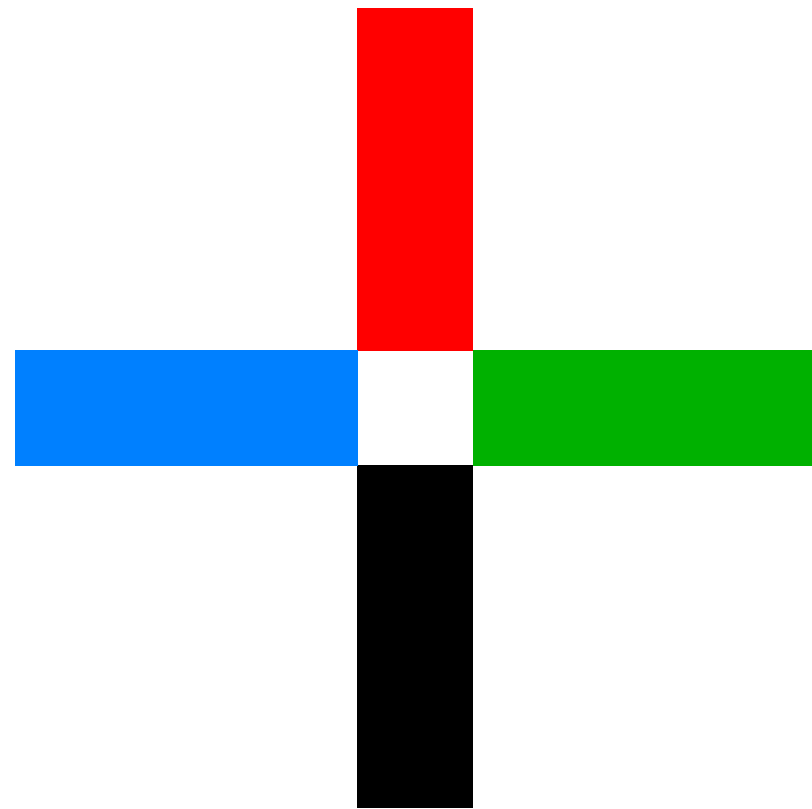
EPHESIANS 4:29

39. Does the weekly parish newsletter meet your needs?

40. a. Do you access the parish blog/website or Facebook page?

b. Would you consider contributing?





SAFEGUARDING

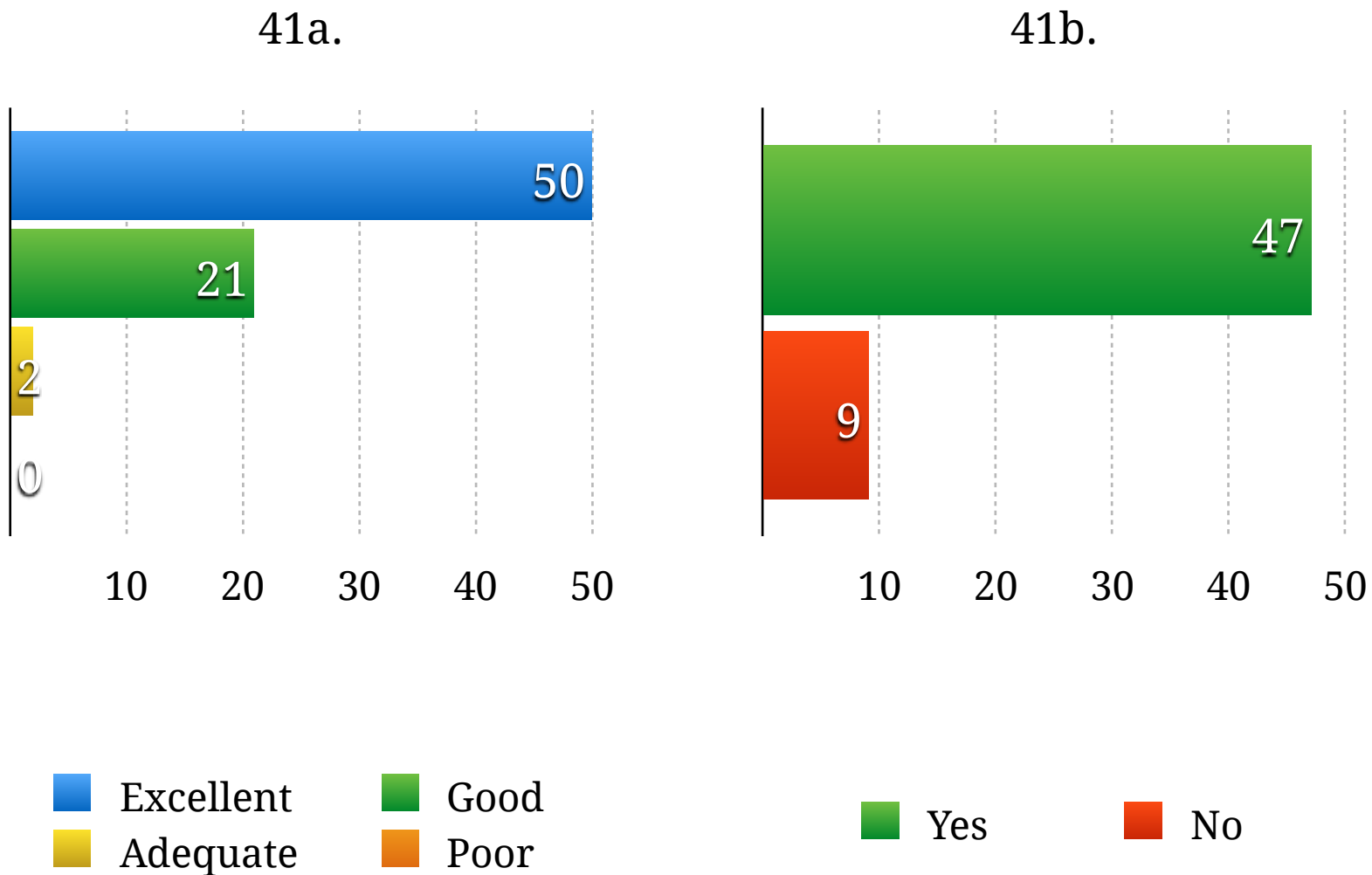
The Diocesan Safeguarding Office supports the ministry of the Church by providing a professional and robust support around the protection of children and adults in need of protection to ensure that worshipping communities are **safe places** where all have a **positive experience of Church** in which they feel loved, accepted and safe.

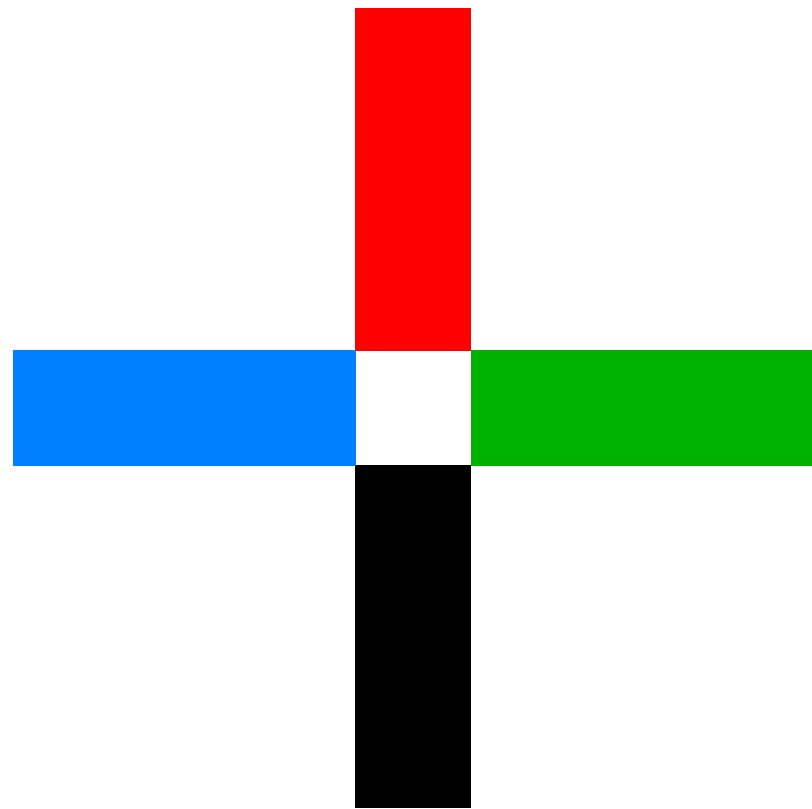
SAFEGUARDING IN THE DIOCESE OF PLYMOUTH

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41. a. Do you feel safe in the parish?

b. If you felt unsafe, or were concerned about the safety of someone else, would you know who to speak to and what to do?





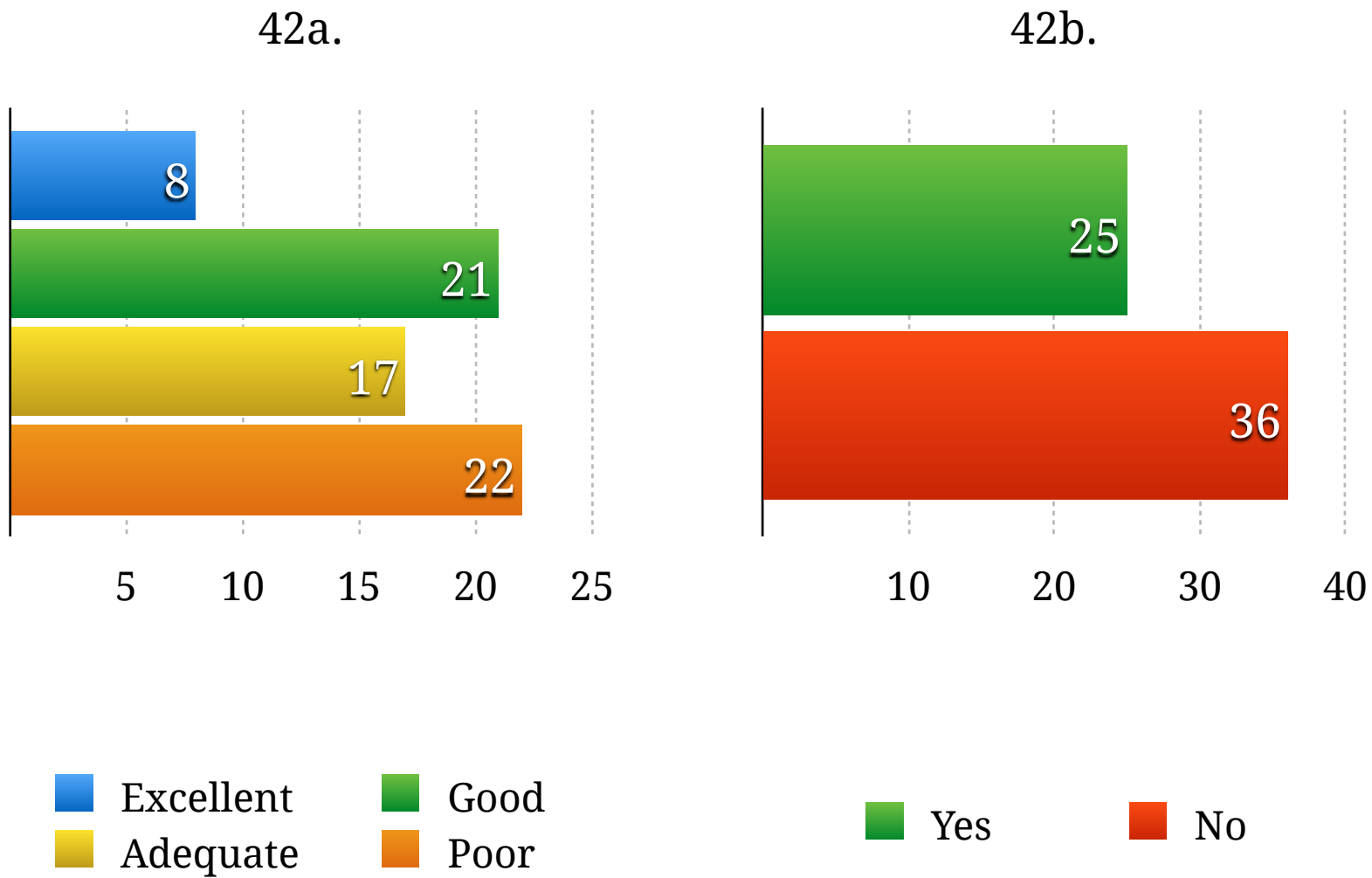
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

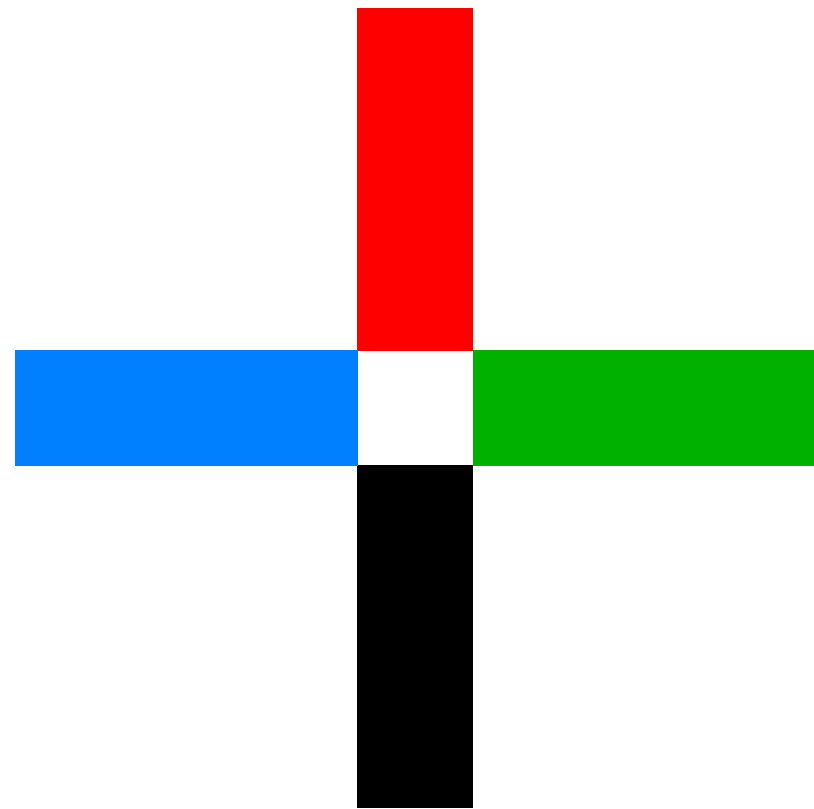
In this council, which is presided over by the parish priest, Christ's faithful, together with those who by virtue of their office are engaged in pastoral care in the parish, **give their help in fostering pastoral action.**

CODE OF CANON LAW 536 § 1

42. a. Do you understand the role of the PPC?

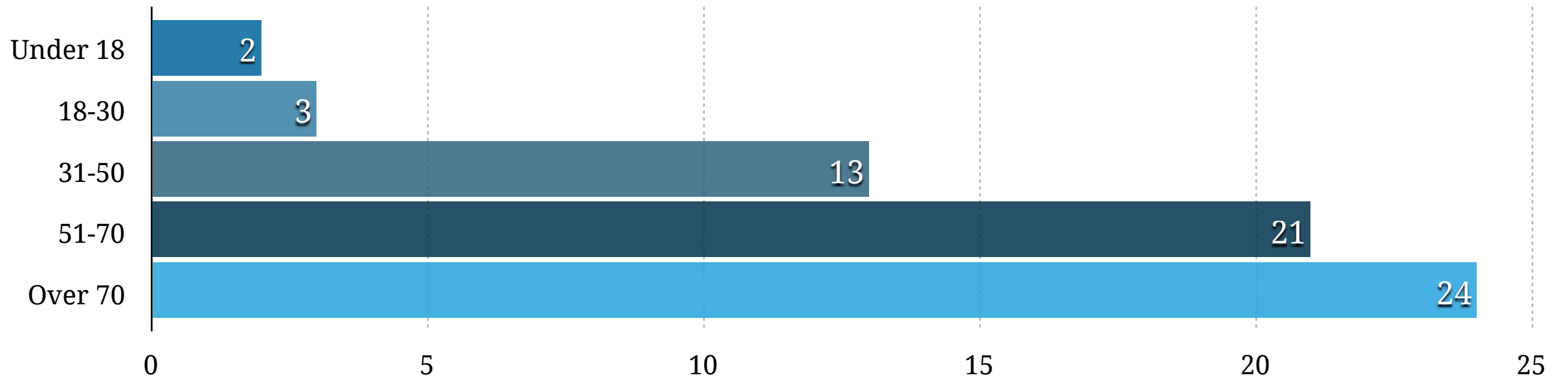
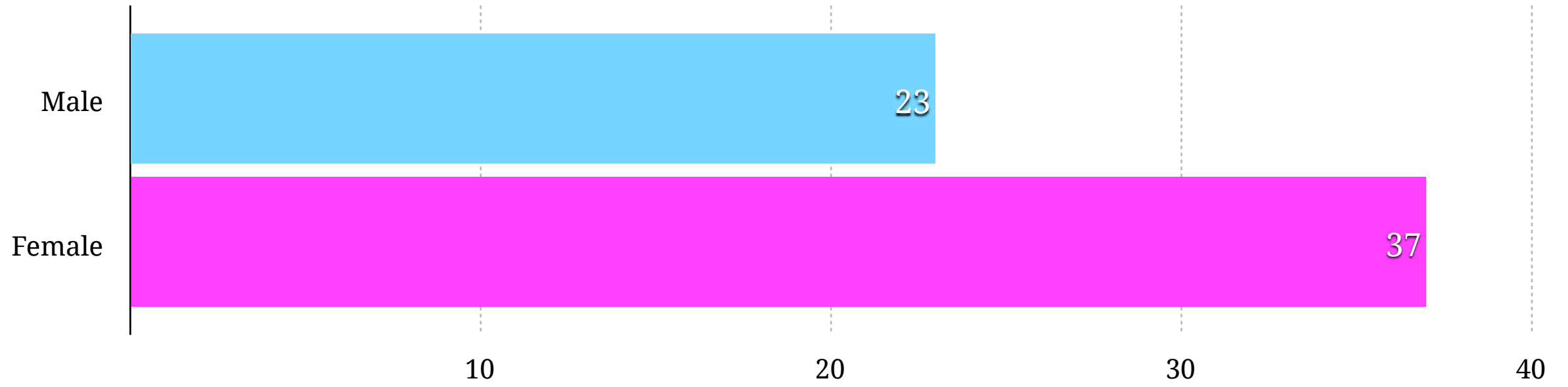
b. Are you satisfied that you are fully informed about the work of the PPC and any decisions they may take?

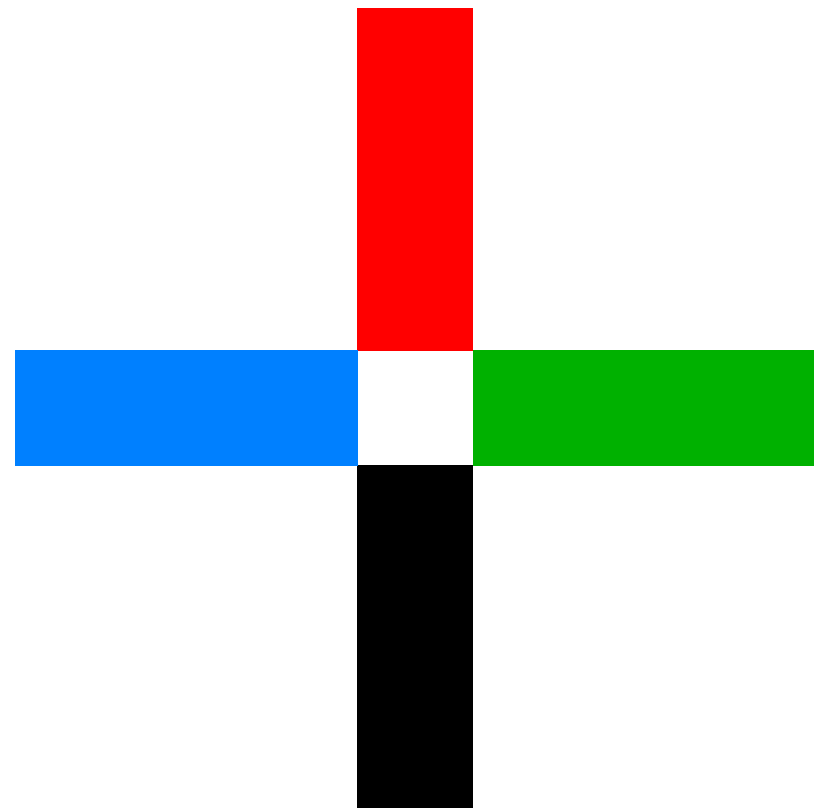




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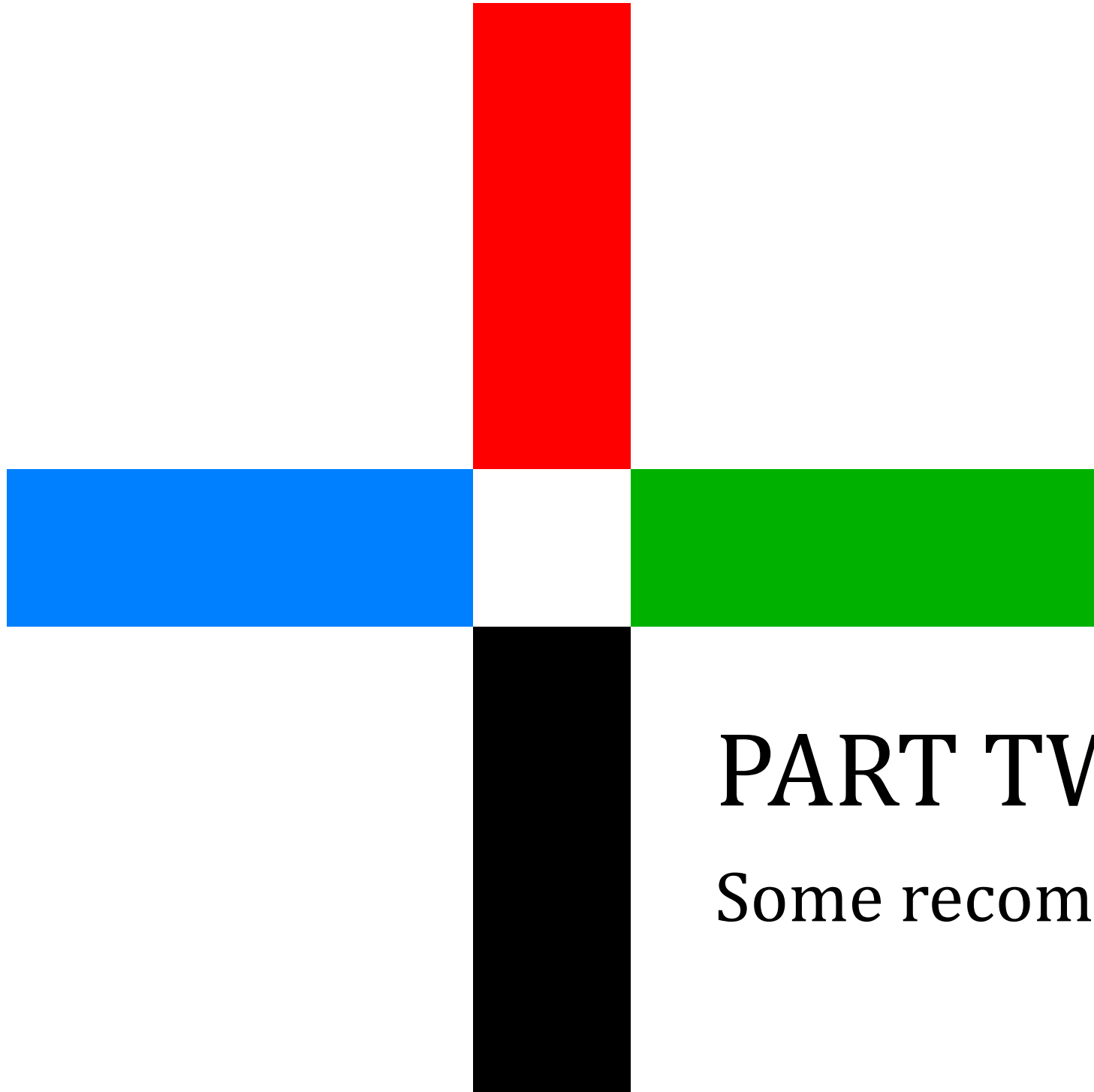




TWO QUESTIONS

What did you see that encourages you and gives you hope?

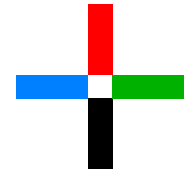
Where did you see opportunities for growth?



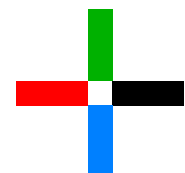
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Some recommendations

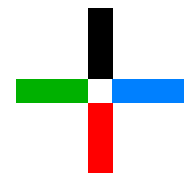
THE BIG SIX



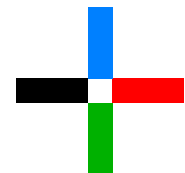
How we welcome.



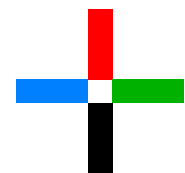
Caring for one another.



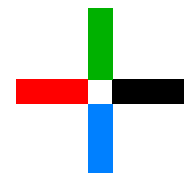
How we worship.



Encouraging the young.



How we grow in faith.



Funding the mission.



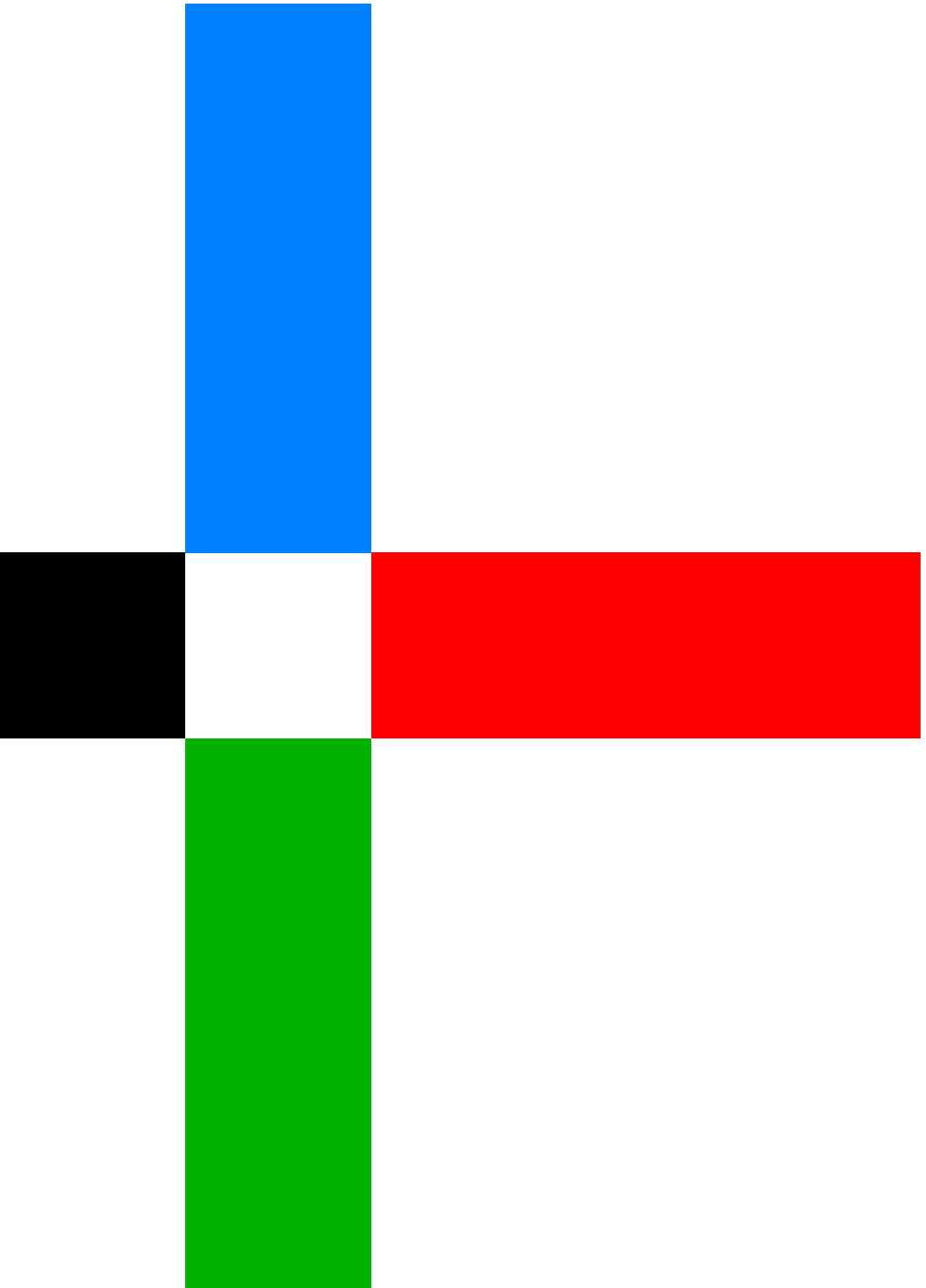
WELCOME

Change the culture.

Identify welcomers and personally invite them to take part in the ministry.

Provide training and on-going support for welcomers

Create and maintain a Parish Welcome Pack.



PASTORAL CARE

Establish a St Vincent de Paul group in the parish.

Identify and invite people to join.



CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Invite young people to gather together to talk about what they want and need from the parish.

Provide for children and young people of different ages.

Establish and support annual Parish Youth Rally.



LITURGY AND WORSHIP

Parish Liturgy Group to review
comments from Parish Survey.

Publish annual liturgical
calendar of events.



GROWING IN FAITH

Create and review on-going programme of faith development.

Create and publish a Calendar of Events/Talks/Groups etc.

Provide training for leaders and catechists.



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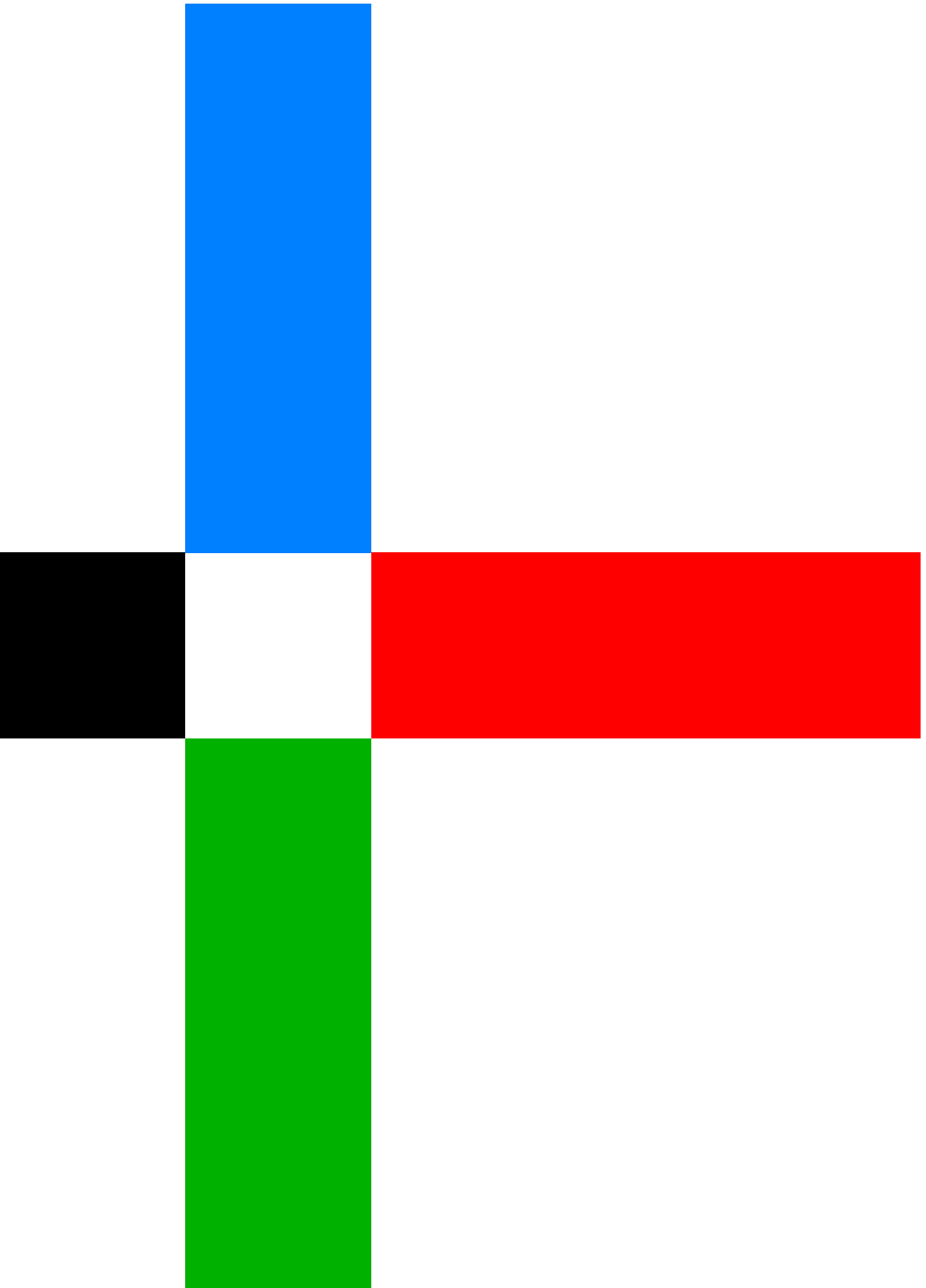
Parish Finance Committee to review results of Parish Survey.

Full financial assessment post reordering project.

Strengthen membership of Parish Finance Committee.

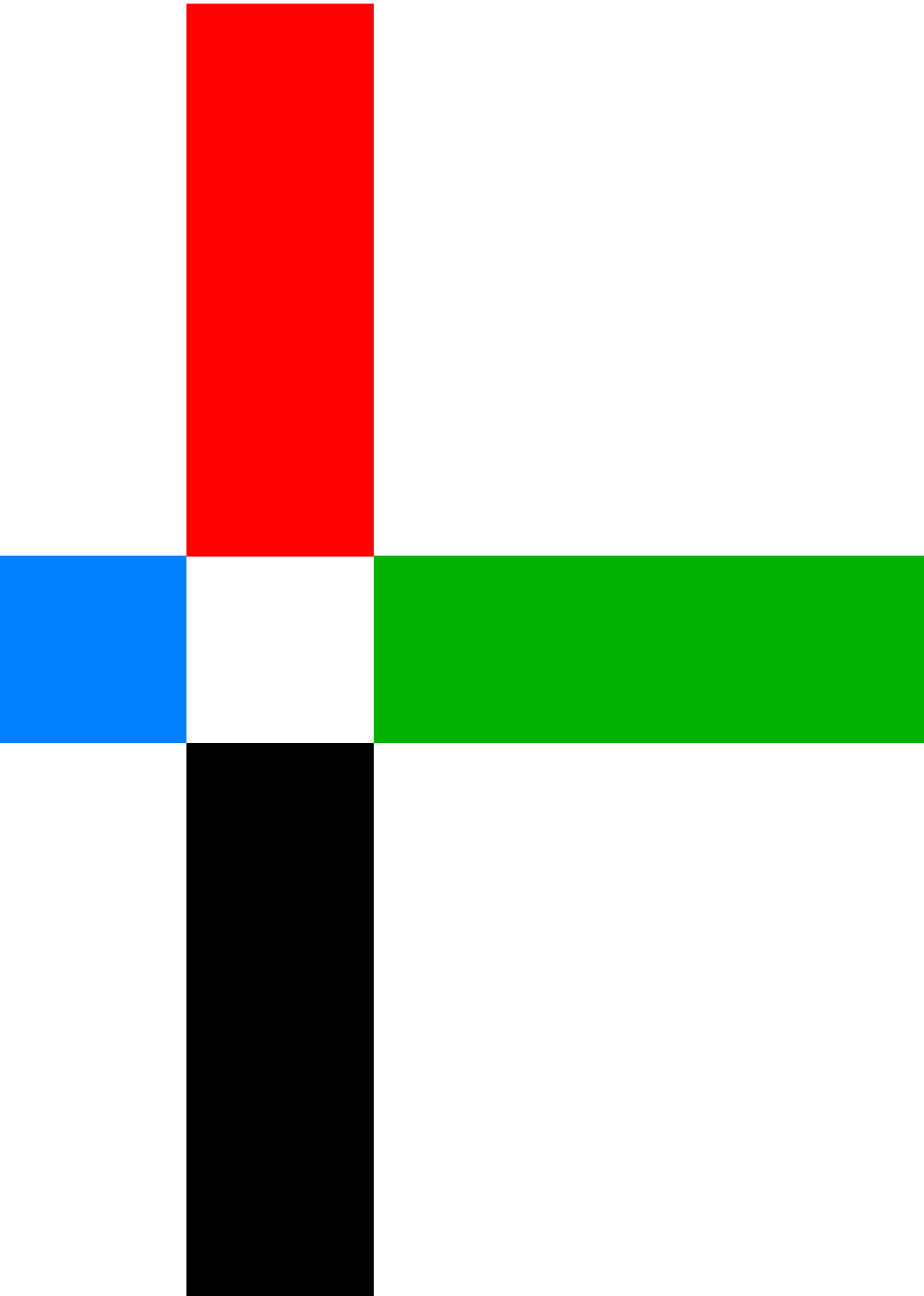
Encourage increase in giving.

Budgeting to fund the evangelising mission of the parish.



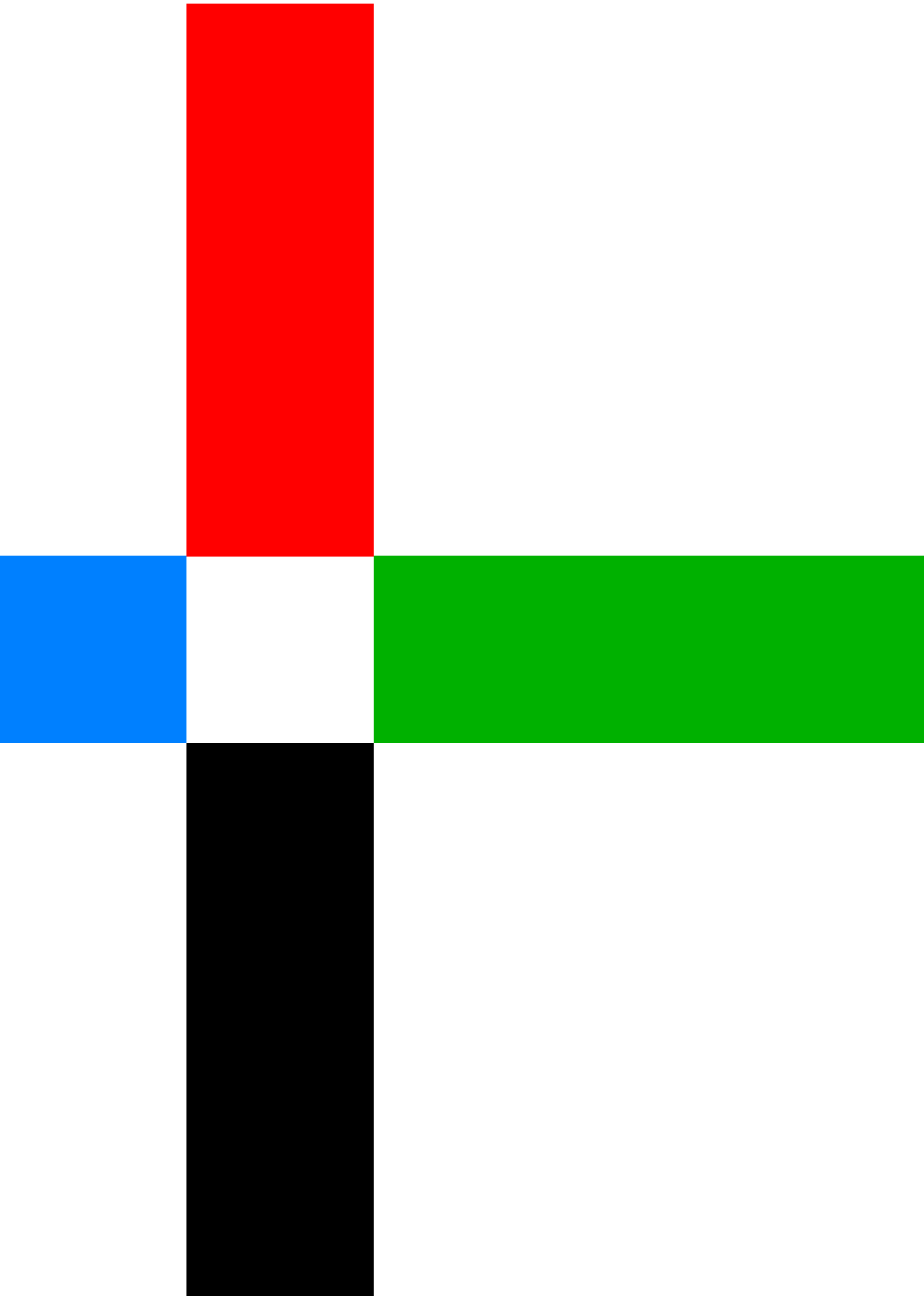
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We need to raise awareness of each parishioner's personal responsibility to provide for the needs and welfare of the parish.



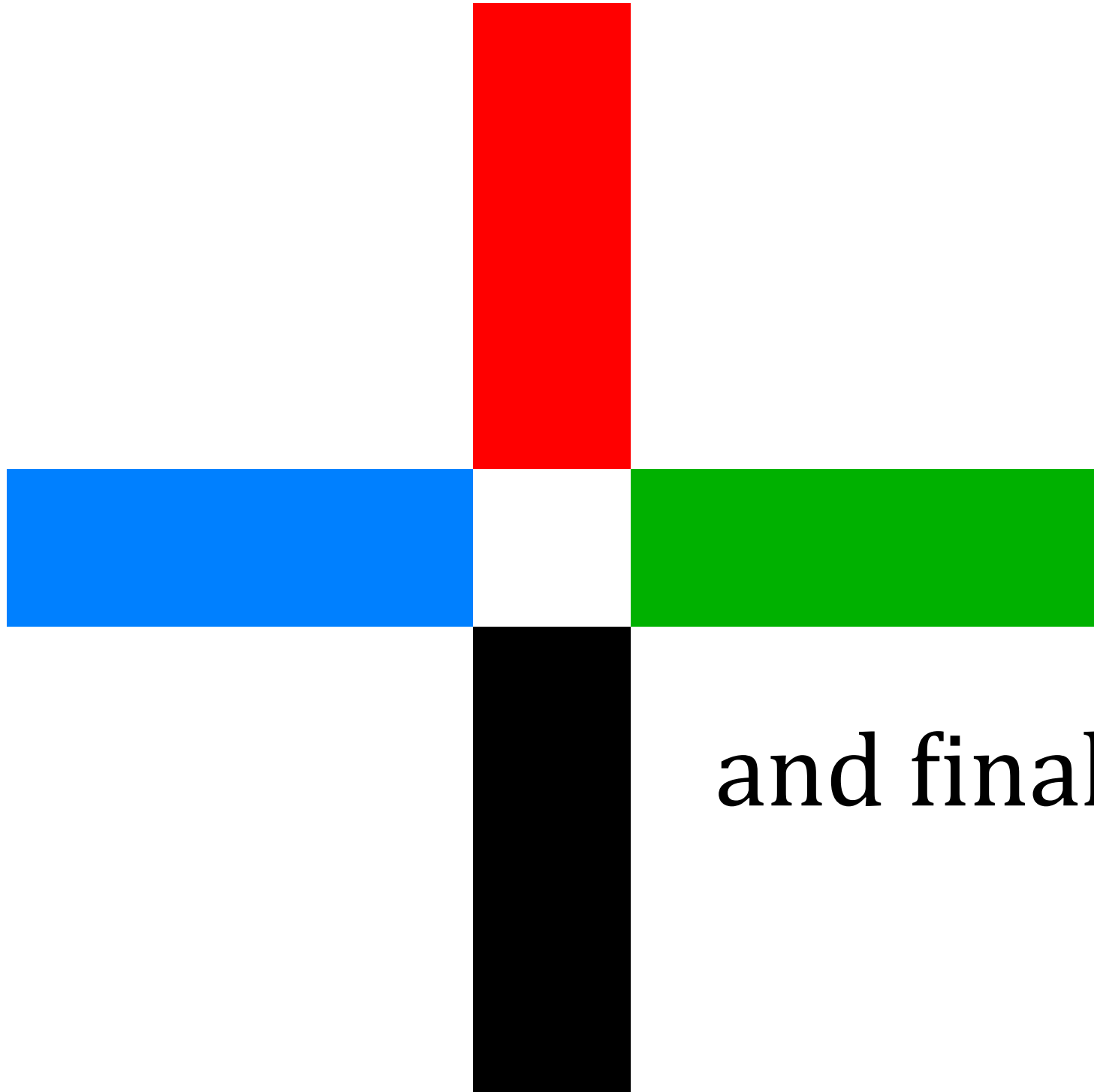
PRAYER FOR THE NEW EVANGELISATION

MARY, Virgin and Mother,
you who, moved by the Holy Spirit,
welcomed the word of life in the
depths of your humble faith: as
you gave yourself completely to
the Eternal One, help us to say our
own “yes” to the urgent call, as
pressing as ever, to proclaim the
good news of Jesus.



STAR of the new evangelisation,
help us to bear radiant witness to
communion, service, ardent and
generous faith, justice and love of
the poor, that the joy of the Gospel
may reach to the ends of the
earth, illuminating even the
fringes of our world.


MOTHER of the living Gospel,
wellspring of happiness for God's
little ones, pray for us.
Amen. Alleluia!



and finally...

We must admit... that the call to review and renew our parishes has not yet sufficed to bring them nearer to people, to make them environments of living communion and participation, and to make them completely mission-oriented.

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But at least
we've made
a start!

THANK YOU