



## Dear Church Family:

As we walk together in this holy season of Lent in this Jubilee Year (every twenty-five years) declared by Pope Francis, we are “Pilgrims of Hope.” Hope points to the future, but it is the actions we take today that will shape that future. Here in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, **Archbishop Nelson J. Perez** is calling us to a concerted process to renew the Church of Philadelphia over the next 20 years and invites everyone to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ. Currently, 83% of baptized Catholics are not participating in the sacramental life of the Church. The mission of the Church has always been to announce the resurrection and foster closer relationships with Jesus. This initiative aims to support the growth of the Church of Philadelphia in a way that best meets the needs of the souls entrusted to its pastoral care.

**How can you help?** One simple but very important thing you can do is **to participate in the Disciple Maker’s Index**, a survey to better understand where we are as a faith community now so we can, together, more realistically shape our future.

This survey is very similar to the survey that was conducted in 2019 and again in 2022, but the number of respondents was far too low to provide any statistically significant results (41 parishioners from St. Charles and 35 parishioners from Sacred Heart). As we begin this pastoral process, we would like you to take a moment and see how we have grown and changed in the last three years. Please take 10 minutes to Disciple Maker Index survey help us track our progress and learn how we can support your discipleship better. The survey is anonymous and is being offered throughout the Archdiocese.

## Here’s what you need to know:

- This is a 10-15 minute survey that will be open from March 5<sup>th</sup> through April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
- We are asking that every family member completes and submits their own survey. (Your feelings and responses may differ from your loved one, and that’s OK.)
- The name of the Survey is called the Disciple Maker’s Index. Please do not let the name of the survey deter you. The purpose of this survey is not to ask you to do more than what you already feel comfortable doing for the Church; it is simply a method to try to find out where we stand now as a faith community.
- The survey is completely anonymous and confidential! You can take it on line by visiting one of these sites or, if you prefer, there will be paper copies available in the exits of our churches.

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/xcx9cx> - St Charles Borromeo

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/xc2y7x> - Sacred Heart

Please direct questions to Leo Witkoski ([lwitki7@gmail.com](mailto:lwitki7@gmail.com)) or Monsignor Majoros ([mmajoros@scbdh.org](mailto:mmajoros@scbdh.org)), or call the Rectory Office (SH: 610-623-0409; SCB: 610-623-3800).

God bless,

*Monsignor George A. Majoros*

# ***An Invitation from Archbishop Nelson J. Perez***

Brothers and Sisters,

Please join me and [sign up](#) for a conversation about our Church. Your voice and presence are essential as we plan a **new way forward together** as the Catholic Church of Philadelphia.

**Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez**

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## ***Join an Info Session to Share Your Thoughts***

From February through June 2025, Archbishop Nelson J. Perez invites you to join a conversation about the future path we will forge together for our Church. You'll have opportunities to participate in two sessions at your parish, as well as multiple discussions in Delaware county. Dates and locations are listed below. Please sign up to participate in these important conversations that will shape our shared journey.

Saturday, March 22  
Church of St. Joseph  
Aston, PA  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
[REGISTER](#)

Wednesday, April 2  
Cardinal O'Hara High School  
Springfield, PA  
6:30-8:30 p.m.  
[REGISTER](#)

Thursday, April 3  
St. Mary Magdalen  
Media, PA  
6:30-8:30 p.m.  
[REGISTER](#)

Saturday, April 12  
St. Gabriel  
Norwood, PA  
10:00 a.m.-Noon  
[REGISTER](#)

Sunday, April 27  
St. Laurence  
Upper Darby, PA  
1:00-3:00 p.m.  
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Tuesday, April 29  
St. Katharine Drexel  
Chester, PA  
6:30-8:30 p.m.  
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Tuesday, May 13  
Magr. Bonner & Arch Prendie  
Drexel Hill, PA  
6:30-8:30 p.m.  
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Tuesday, May 20  
Archbishop John Carroll  
Radnor, PA  
6:30-8:30 p.m.  
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Wednesday, May 21  
Msgr Bonner Arch Prendie  
Drexel Hill, PA  
6:30-8:30 p.m.  
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Thursday, May 22  
Monsignor Bonner & Archbishop  
Prendergast High School  
Drexel Hill, PA  
6:30-8:30 p.m.  
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