

## **Disciple Maker Index—FAQ's**

### **What is “We Are His Witnesses” all about?**

It's about casting a vision for the future of the Roman Catholic Church and the Archdiocese of Newark. It's about evangelizing. It's about outreach. It's about pastoral care. It's about thriving communities. It addresses where the archdiocese is today, where God is calling us to go for the future and how we as disciples and witnesses of Christ can get there together so that we can proclaim the joy of the Gospel to others here at home now and in the future. The Archbishop firmly believes that to move forward into the future, “we cannot leave things as they presently are.”

### **Why do I have to take the survey?**

Cardinal Tobin is eager to hear the voices of all the people in the archdiocese concerning the opportunities and challenges we face as a Church both now and the future. To begin this process each of us (every member of the parish and those that attend Mass regularly including our youth who have been confirmed) is being asked to participate in a confidential survey called the “Disciple Maker Index (DMI).”

### **When can I take the survey?**

The survey opens on April 26 and closes May 25

### **Who can take the survey?**

All registered parishioners as well as anyone who attends Mass regularly at Mt Carmel. The survey should be filled out by each adult person in your family individually including children who have been confirmed or who are about to be confirmed this year take the survey.

### **How long does the survey take to complete?**

10-15 minutes

### **How will I get the survey link?**

Each parish in the archdiocese has a specific link which will be provided to you via various means and outreach. If you are a registered parishioner or attend Mass regularly at Mt Carmel you must use the Mt Carmel only link. For our registered parishioners with an e mail address on file, you will receive an email with the link. The link can also be found on our website ([www.olmclyndhurst.com](http://www.olmclyndhurst.com)) as well as through a QR code, the weekly bulletin and various other outreaches.

### **I want to take the survey but I don't own a computer. How can I participate?**

We are planning on making computers available to those who would like to take the survey after each Mass in the Parish Center. In addition, there will be a limited number of paper copies available as well.

**What about confidentiality?**

We want you to provide honest feedback and we take our parishioners' confidentiality very seriously. Your name or address will not be asked when taking the survey. However, some demographic information will be requested. No one in the diocese or on your parish staff - including our pastor - will have access to individual parishioner responses.

**What is the expected response rate from Mt Carmel?**

Our baseline expectation is a 20% response rate, but we would love to see a 50% response rate!

**Is there an opportunity to write in comments?**

The primary purpose of the survey is to create a snapshot of the whole parish. As part of this ongoing "We Are His Witnesses" initiative, there will be an opportunity for follow-up interviews, focus groups and subsequent surveying to acquire next level/more detail feedback.

**With whom will my parish's results be shared? How about individual parishioner's responses?**

Individual parishioners' responses will not be shared. The parish's results will be shared in collective total with the pastor and those key leaders he chooses to involve in the data review process. The pertinent results information will be shared with the entire parish in the future.