

SPMC - Stage 1 - Generating a Parish Profile - Interview Questions

In preparation for your interview, we recommend that you distribute these questions to your parishioners and host one or more meetings (town hall, parish council, other groups) to review and discuss how you, as a parish or a congregation, will respond during the interview. If you need assistance with this preparation, your SPMC team member will be happy to discuss your needs.

Additionally, if you have not shared Bishop's Shane's SPMC Launch recording or his Easter Message with your parishioners, we encourage you to do so as they both provide valuable bases for the consultation process and answering the question of "Why now?" Links to both can be found in the toolkit section of our diocesan webpage (<https://www.ottawa.anglican.ca/shape-of-parish-ministry>).

Interview Questions:

1. What is the single most important thing you would like our diocese to know about your parish/congregation?
2. What are your ministry priorities, and how are these priorities lived out in your decisions, activities and use of your resources?
3. In what way does your parish/congregation serve the wider community; how are you engaged with the local community beyond your walls - outreach, events, partnerships?
4. What are the challenges to accomplishing the work you've described, in terms of finances, building status and human resources?
5. Are there ministry opportunities you are aware of and what would you need to engage in them?