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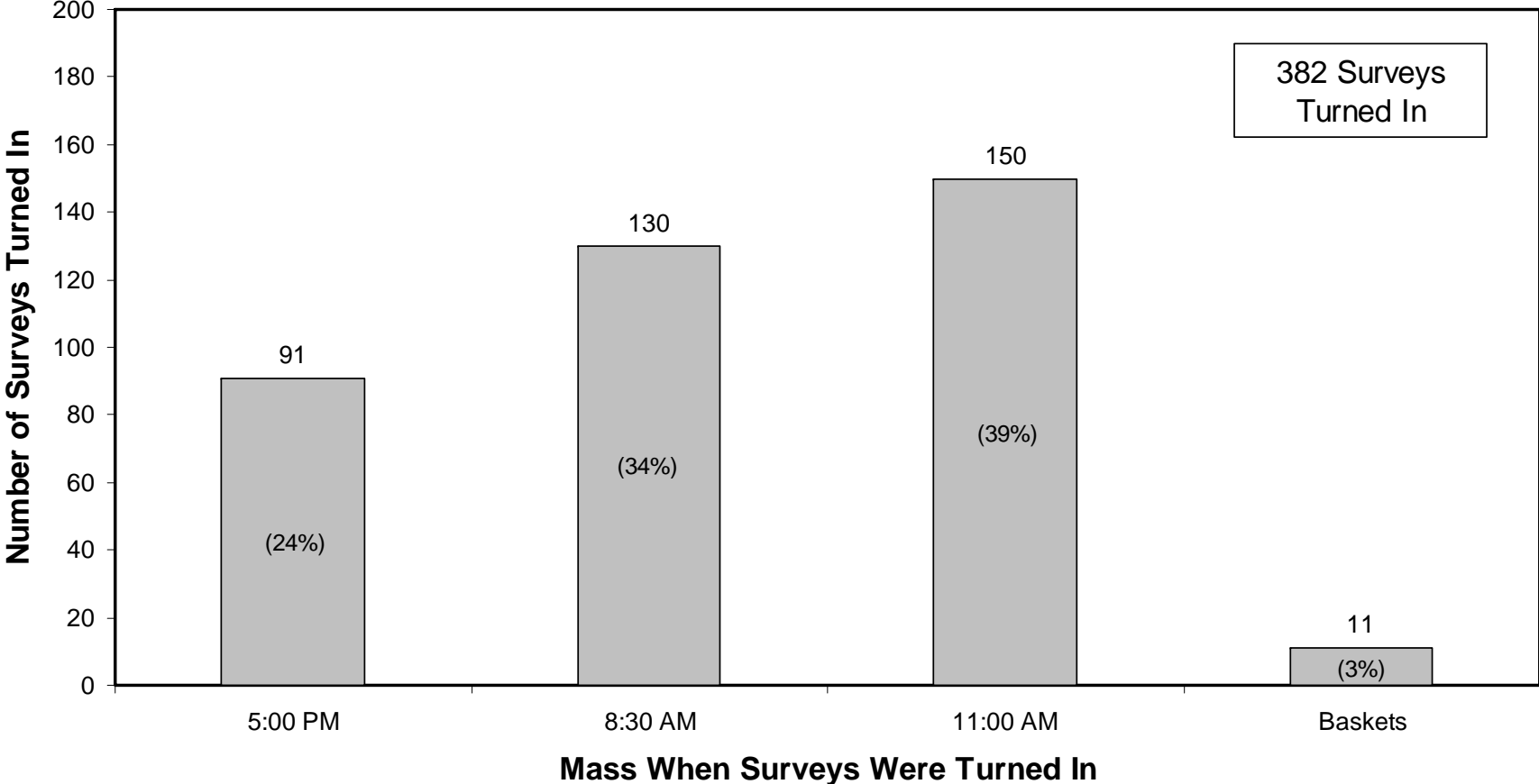
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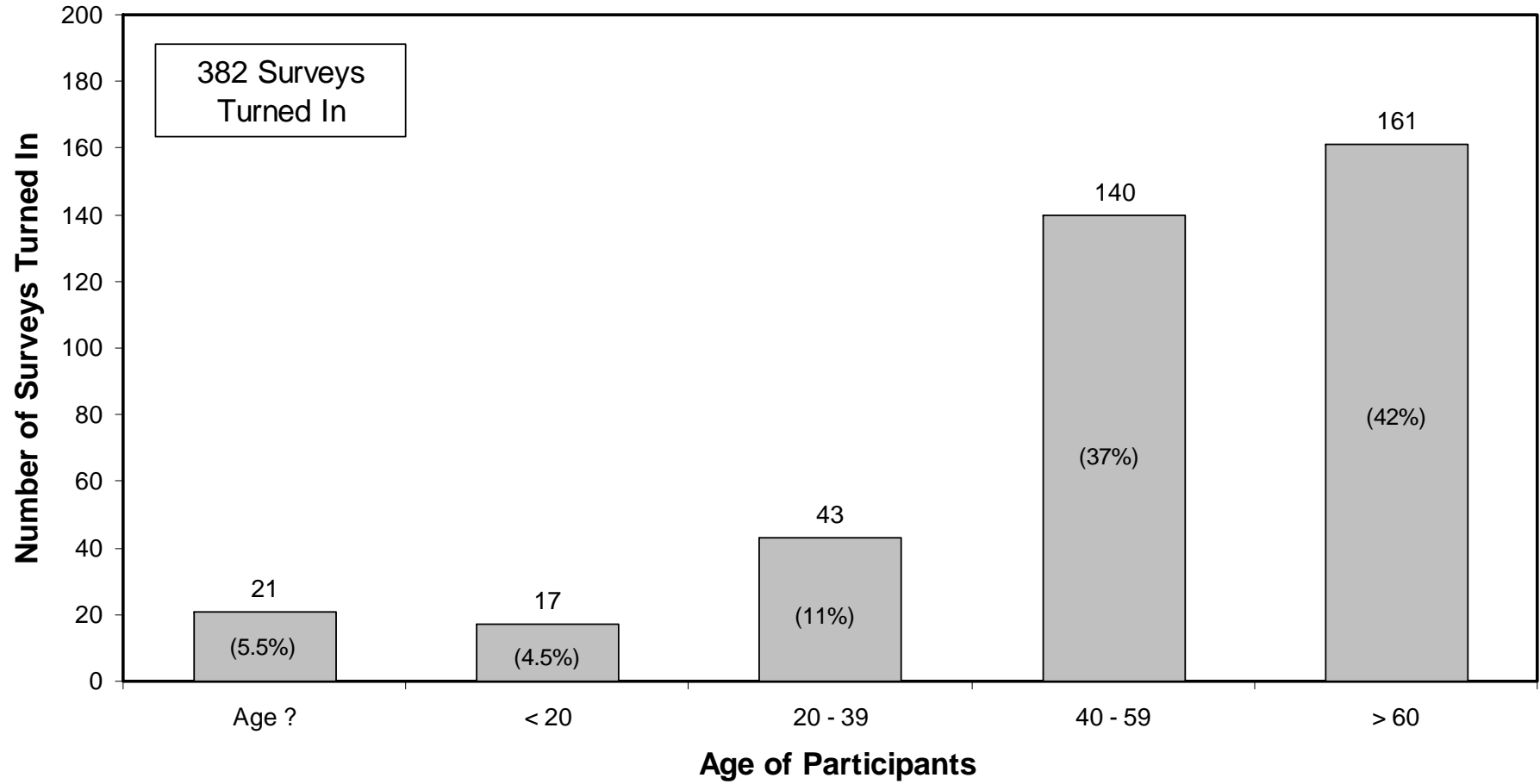
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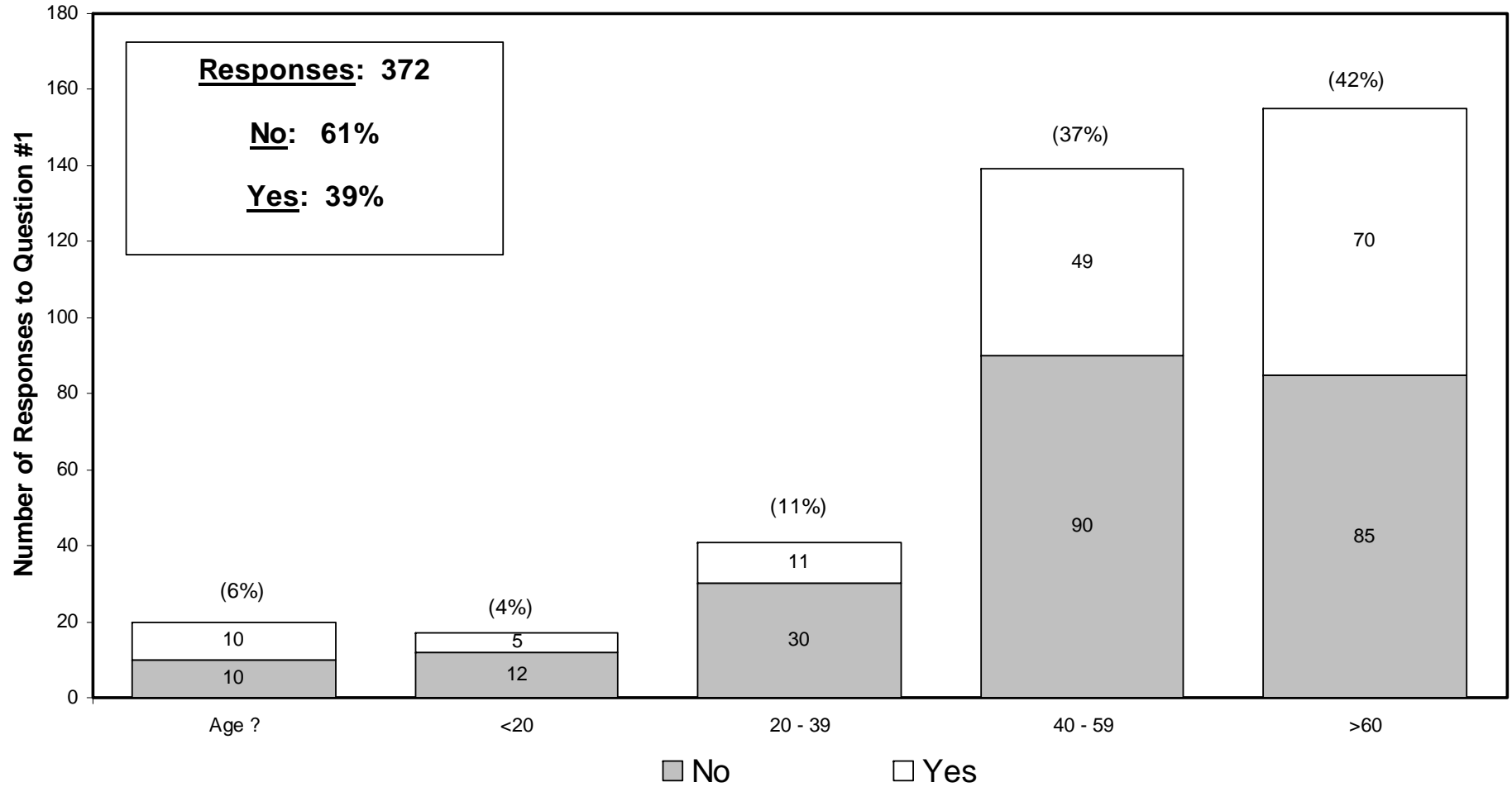
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QUESTION #1

Have you ever spent time in our Reservation Chapel?



General Responses to Question #2:

What about our Reservation Chapel helps you to pray?

Quiet/Silence	Presence	Peaceful/Serenity	Solitude	Window	Simplicity	Lighting	Tabernacle	Reverence
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Specific Responses to Question #2:

Yes - it provides a stronger focus.
It helps me to pray because it is silent & it makes me be w/Christ & I get my thoughts figured out.
Peacefulness, simplicity, Rosaries, prayer books
Being w ith Mom & w orshipping w ith her. Being able to just relax.
The quiet & starkness - I like that I can adjust the light to focus on the tabernacle
Aw ay from everything and w hen it is quiet
To be w ith the Lord
Serenity. The design of the space - it's purity. The light
No distractions.
It's very peaceful & good to pray.
Usually pray in main sanctuary
Nothing - It's all about spending time w ith the Lord.
Atmosphere.
Quiet. I know that the Lord is present. Somehow that location feels very special.
Being aw ay from distractions
Easy access, open door, clean, ample seating, good lighting, the w indow .
Kneelers are helpful.
It w as good place to take RE classes.
Size, feeling.

Simply Christ! Christ centered. No distractions. Open anytime - day & evening. Side door - easy access.
Stillness
Know ing Jesus is present in the Eucharist; private space.
Off the beaten path most of the time.
Praying before the consecrated bread is aw esome
Open all the time the church is open.
Simplicity of space - kneelers.
Simplicity, silence, beautiful flow ers, gentle lighting.
The quiet - serenity.
Its serenity & light
Presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Intimate space - reflective surroundings.
The quiet time to think and pray.
I like the w indow and the peaceful atmosphere. I also like the size of the chapel.
Size, lighting, stained glass, flow ers.
I like the small enclosed space - easier to concentrate.
Quiet, Closeness to Eucharist. Appreciate the freedom to visit anytime.
Quiet - beauty - peafeul - pow erful.
The quiet is very helpful because prior to Mass several people that instead of praying.
Yes it is a great location for prayer.

General Responses to Question #3:

What about our Reservation Chapel is not helpful to your prayer?

Noise	Nothing	Needs Crucifix/Statue/Candles	Where is it?	Uncomfortable Seating
30	11	7	4	3

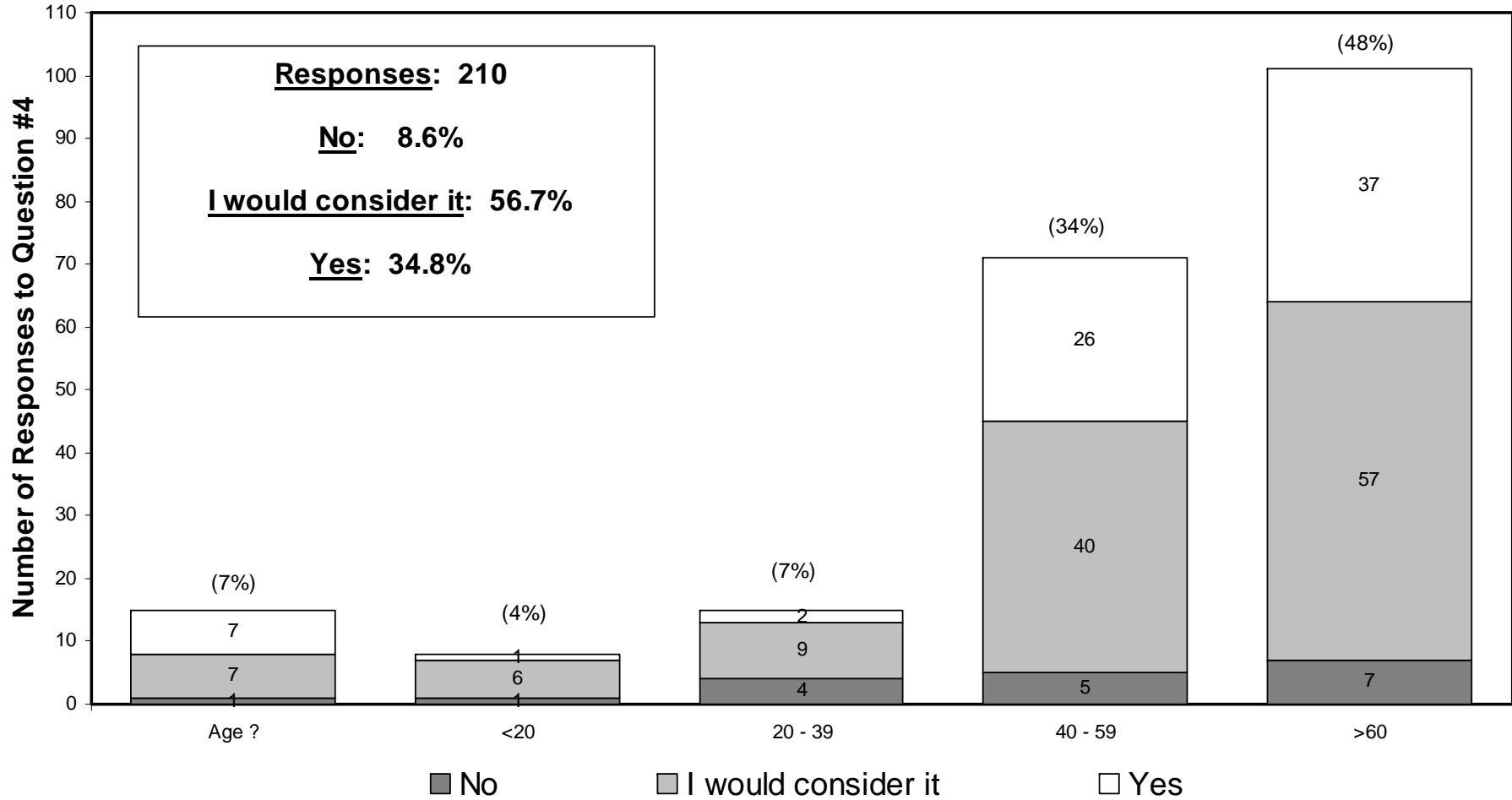
Specific Responses to Question #3:

Solitary - would like to pray with others. Rosary would be great.
I can't think of any place I'd rather be to spend time with the Lord.
Needs some pictures or statues of our Blessed Mother
There were a lot of people.
Sometimes I feel too quiet and get distracted.
My son (3 yrs old). Jesus is not exposed.
There are so many things going on in our church (what a blessing), however often it is very noisy & difficult to meditate. I prefer to go to St. Albert or St. Charles reservation chapel because it is separate from other activities.
I'd love it if it started with a meditation Rosary
Suggestion - I wish there was a way to take Eucharistic Adoration to homebound/nursing home - so many are not affiliated with a parish but also feel left out of church community.
There are many faithful there who would love to do this!
Would like to be able to see more from church (glass partition?)
Eucharist not being exposed.
If people are talking in church, children running through - cell phones ringing & people answering the phone. I also like flexible hours. Would like Exposition sometimes.
Perhaps use bulletin.
Not always quiet in church - Saturday's AM especially.
Not excluded farther away from Sanctuary.
It could use doors - more quiet. It would be great to have a candle lit in there.

Needs cleaned up - finish where the access door is for the reredos handle crank & where the sanctuary candle use to hang from ceiling. The duct tape holding the wireless antenna cord looks inappropriate. Too much unnecessary noise.
Concurrent music rehearsal.
Could use some pads on benches.
We never pray alone, but the starkness makes it seem that way - not inspiring.
Difficult near Mass times.
Can not see who is arriving (after dark).
I don't feel it is inspiring to me.
Hard pew benches.
Noisy - I don't think (but once or twice) that it has ever been quiet.
Not helpful.
It's total open in back.
I regret to say that I do not find the tabernacle very comforting, inspiring or appealing.
Traffic in & out. Can be a thoroughfare.
Other people / uncomfortable seating.
Uncomfortable chairs.
No pictures of Jesus / God the Father.
How sad to go behind a wall to be with our Lord. Our Lord should not be behind a wall. Should be in back of altar. Where will our Lord put you? Do not like name ("Reservation").
Lack of crucifix.

QUESTION #4

If a quiet time was scheduled for Adoration in our Reservation Chapel, would you attend?



General Responses to Question A:

If you are interested in learning more about Eucharistic Adoration, how can we assist you?

If there is any time there is exposition, to let it be known
Should be...but probably not.
Location & availability.
I don't have much information about Eucharistic program.
I don't even really know what it is / what I'm supposed to do, so the basics would be helpful, I guess.
I don't know what it is
What times is it offered?
Incorporating it into FOCUS one night.
Insert in the bulletin.
I have a baby and young children so I can never get out of the house alone. I used to go to adoration before I had kids.
Interested in learning more about availability & schedule.
I am not interested in learning more at this time.
Not sure of the details of Eucharistic Adoration. Need literature on it.
Interested in Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the main church (announcements / bulletin)
Having a retreat?
Routinely publish information in the bulletin.
Place info in bulletin or paper in gathering space.
Explanation in the bulletin.
Offer a class explaining what it is.
Times to do it? Child care?
Unformal intro talk/discussion. Do they allow little ones?
Would kids be able to attend or will there be child care?
Unavailable due to home schedule.
I'm not.
I don't really know what this ministry is about.
Perhaps with the next Adoration, giving some insight and structure to the process.
Not sure.

An introductory meeting / class.
No thanks.
Info in bulletin.
Hold a training session.
Perhaps a brief explanation during announcements.
Host a teaching class in the evening.
Provide prayer aids / bibles in chapel. Small book called "Praying in the Presence of Our Lord" by Benedict Groeschell is a good one. (Also - a box of tissues would be nice!)
Put in bulletin - accommodate working adult schedules w/evening & weekend times, education on how to get the most from it.
Send literature
Tell me more about it or discuss it during Mass.
If a quiet time was scheduled, I would attend. Especially after 5 PM.
Info in bulletin or at back of church.
Use announcements or bulletin to share info.
Nothing, I just need to make time.
Always willing to learn.
Not sure, perhaps publish info in bulletin.
Recommend preparation procedures. Help on what & how to pray, examples
Would like to have Jim Gruden do his presentation for the parish.
Jim Gruden had a great class.
I am not familiar with the protocol to visit the chapel.
Would like 1 night a week to be parish prayer time with adoration.
Not sure. I don't know enough to know.
Article in bulletin or during Mass discussed.

Is it done in groups or done privately? I've done it in small groups before but not on my own.
More information in bulletin.
Just visiting now, but maybe later.
Bulletin insert.
Yes. With small children it is a challenge. If there is/are parish members / HS babysitting groups that would help.
Explain it at Mass or in bulletin.
Publish information in the bulletin or send something to our homes.
Maybe publish contact info in the bulletin, that way, if people decide to participate, they can sign up.
How can I help?
Publish something in bulletin.
Group instruction.
Publish a schedule in the bulletin or after Mass.
I attend Mass most days.
Not really - I go to Mass most days.
Teaching of a class
This card helps to know it's open.
A sermon, a bulletin insert. Is there a schedule?
Publishing info. in weekly parish Mass (handout on Sun.).
Not needed.
Any talks concerning Eucharist witness by people who use this form of prayer - Exposition.
I will ask Mary Singer.
Thank you. I have read much about Eucharistic Adoration and love it.
Provide information in Spanish.
Film.
The usual ways - speakers - workshops - homilies.
Possibly making the environment more conducive to quiet time.
Where do we base our belief on the real presence of the Lord in the Eucharist?

General Responses to Question B:

If you currently participate in Eucharistic Adoration, how can we help you?

Informing and shedule
Insert in the bulletin.
Unfortunately, I don't. I feel a piece of paper w/info or even tips on prayer that can be taken & read would be most convenient.
I like being able to sign up for a time, i.e. w hen TNT did it during Lent/prior to election, people could sign up. Suggestion - encourage groups at the parish to ask people at their meetings if they'd like to (pray) the Rosary in front of tabernacle w ith meeting time. They are already at church & more w illing to spend a few extra minutes. God does his w ork.
Material available in a basket close by.
Just post info on Sunday bulletin.
Where is it and w hen?
Would like exposition sometimes.
Noise reduction.
Perhaps use bulletin.
Offer it more.
Nothing special. Just keep it uncluttered.
During specific times, soft music, reading material.

Make people aw are that the Reservation Chapel should not be used as a short cut. Request music ministers to close the choir room any time they are in the room talking or practicing. Make people aw are that reverence needs to be observed.
Get the w ord out. Place the basket for comments against the back w all of chapel for people to see it.
Inspirational artw ork / statues of saints.
Teaching.
No loud talking. Please ask people to keep the w hole church quiet. Instruct parents w ith children to keep them under control. The church is not a gym. Comment: I w ould like for St. Francis to have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at least one day a <u>month</u> . I w ould prefer one day a <u>w eek</u> . Maybe just a half day.
Same as A - I do currently do adoration.
Find a quiet place for the Blessed Sacrament so w e can pray w hen our time permits.
Have people not to just w alk through using it as a shortcut.

Responses to Question C:

If you would like someone to contact you about Eucharistic Adoration, please provide your contact information:

26 people wanted contacted and Mary Ellen Singer is contacting each person.

During the 5 PM Mass, Fr. Tom asked for homily comments

Homily - The imagery of Christ presence struck me as very helpful
Homily: I liked how (he) described God comes to us.
Father, thanks for making your homily "realistic" and always providing a look into present day life.
I liked hearing about we are one body & be reminded.
You always touch me and right on time. We need to know over and over that Jesus is always with us in church, neighbor even strangers. Thank you for reminding me!!
The papal joke was good.
Homily: I did not understand the point.

Homily - too much info at one time to keep it straight.
Constructive Criticism: The drummer is usually a notch too loud at 11:00 Mass.
Good Homily.
Father Tom - focus on own response when host elevated, chalice elevated, what do we think of?
Father Tom, your sermons are always right on.
Father, you shared not only the real presence of the Eucharist but the importance of that presence in our lives. It made me aware of my gratitude for God's love.

SOME COMMENTS WORTH NOTING

I am not familiar with the protocol to visit the chapel.

The idea is appealing, but it doesn't work for me.

I didn't know the Reservation Chapel was here.

Don't know where it is or what it is or what for?

Where is it? (visitor)

Where is it located in the church?

One has to know it is there & that it is available to be used.

Tell me what it is?

What is it? What do I do? More information, please.

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