

Synod

Greek: "syn"- together | "hodos" - way

A synod is a **"coming together"** of bishops from all over the world who counsel the Pope on various doctrinal or pastoral concerns of the Church.



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Purpose of the Synod

A synodal Church, in announcing the Gospel, "journeys together".

Let's discuss:

- How is this "journeying together" happening today in your particular Church?
- What steps is the Holy Spirit inviting us to take, in order to grow in our "journeying together"?



Who should be a part of this?

All who are baptised as Catholics!

Priests, deacons, religious and lay people, both individually and in associations, should participate at the diocesan level.



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How to go about it?

“The Synodal process is first and foremost a **spiritual process**. It is not a mechanical data-gathering exercise or a series of meetings and debates.”

Let us discern what God is saying to all of us through personal and communal prayer and reflection; paying attention to our inner disposition; and listening, sharing and talking to one another in an authentic, meaningful and welcoming way.



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