

## Synod on Synodality

Pope Francis has called the universal Church to journey together. This Synod is entitled: *“For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and*



*Mission.”* This Synod is not just another meeting with people providing presentations and written reports. This Synod is a process of journeying together by listening, dialoguing, praying, discerning and making decisions together for the purpose of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Pope Francis is asking each diocese in the world to gather - clergy, religious and laity together - to listen to each other. The goal of this journeying together is not to create a new vision or pastoral plan. The goal of our journeying together is to be present with one another, to listen and learn with each other, and to grow closer to the Lord and His Church, especially as we emerge from the Covid-19 pandemic.

*Below is the Prayer for the Synod that all of us are called to pray.*



### Prayer for the Synod

2021-2023

### *Communion, Participation & Mission*



We stand before You, Holy Spirit,  
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,  
make Yourself at home in our hearts;  
Teach us the way we must go  
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;  
do not let us promote disorder.  
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path  
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity  
so that we may journey together to eternal life  
and not stray from the way of truth  
and what is right.

All this we ask of You,  
who are at work in every place and time,  
in the communion of the Father and the Son,  
forever and ever.

Amen.