



This October Pope Francis formally opened a two-year process called “a synod on synodality,” officially known as “Synod 2021-2023: For a Synodal Church.” In brief, the process involves **an expansion of an established institution, called the “Synod of Bishops.”** This means that bishops around the world will consult with their Parishes asking questions for their parishes to consider.

Bishop Patrick McKinney wrote to pastoral letter to all parishes in our Diocese to ask them how parishes can contribute to the Synodal Process.

Here are the suggested questions the Diocese would like Parishioners to answer:

- 1) **What is my dream for the Church, for my parish so that it can become more outward-looking, more missionary?**
- 2) **To achieve this dream, what do we need to stop doing? What are we doing that needs to be developed or done differently?**
- 3) **As a parish do, we know who are the people who feel marginalised or separated from the parish and society?**
- 4) **How best can our parish respond? Suggest at least two identifiable ways.**

**Please send your answers in by the end of November.**

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