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A Synod Survey

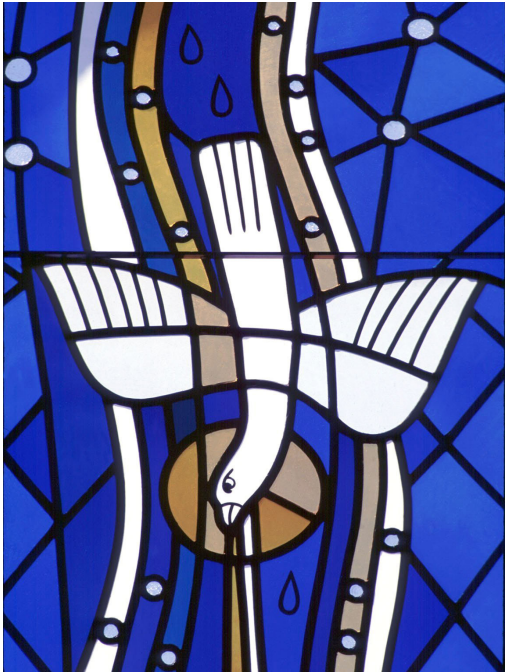


**Please print, fill out and return.
Thank you for your participation.**

Introduction

Thank you for taking a little time to complete this survey. Pope Francis has asked the Catholic Church to reach out to as many people as possible—whether Catholic or not—to listen to each other and share about what “journeying together” means for the Church and for all of us. I encourage all people of faith to pray before filling out this survey, but I welcome all people, whether or not you believe in God, to share your feedback. Thank you for helping us grow and be open to ways we can strengthen our journeying together as a Church and as a human community and family. Please take a moment in prayer or personal reflection.

Suggested prayer:



Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth Your Spirit, and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. Amen.

How to submit your survey

Mail it:

Synod Survey
c/o Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta
2401 Lake Park Dr. SE
Smyrna, Ga 30080

or

Email it:

Scan and email it to:
synodsurvey@archatl.com

1. In what year were you born?

2. What is your gender?

3. Zipcode where you live?

4. Which best describes your cultural heritage? *(Select all that apply)*

- Hispanic/Latino
- Non-Hispanic or Latino
- Asian
- Black/African/African American
- Multi-Racial
- Native American or Pacific Islander
- White/Caucasian
- Prefer not to answer
- Other (please specify)

5. Did you attend a Parish, Campus Ministry, School or other group Listening Session?

- Yes
- No
- I'm scheduled to attend one
- I'm looking for one

6. Are you Catholic?

- Yes **If you answered "no" skip to #18. If you answered "yes" continue through #17.**
- No

7. Tell us more about your state in life. *(Select all that apply)*

- Laity
- Never Married
- Married
- Divorced/Separated
- Widowed
- Parent
- Grandparent
- Archdiocesan Priest
- Order Priest
- Deacon
- Religious Brother, Religious Sister, or Consecrated
- Discerning a vocation
- Staff at a Catholic parish, school, or the entity
- Staff at a Catholic Healthcare Organization
- Ministry or Catholic Organization volunteer
- Active in parish groups or organizations

8. Which best describes your relationship to a local parish?

- I am a registered member of my local parish
- I attend one parish regularly but not register
- I attend multiple parishes
- Married

9. How often do you attend Mass?

- More than weekly
- Weekly
- Monthly or more
- Less than monthly
- 1-2 times per year
- Rarely or never

10. Which parish are you registered at or attend most frequently, if any:

11. Think of a time that you helped in decision making in your Catholic community. What was your role at the time? (Select all that apply)

- Staff/Priest/Deacon/Principal/Religious/
- Member of a consultative board (Pastoral Council, Finance Council, etc.)
- Lay person in conversation with a Catholic community Leader
- Lay person writing a letter or email Volunteer or Ministry member
- Started your own ministry or program to achieve goals
- I cannot think of a time that I helped in decision making in my Catholic community
- Other (please specify)

12. Think of a time the Holy Spirit spoke to you or consoled you through another in your Catholic community. Which of the following best describe that time? (Select all that apply)

- Interaction with a Priest
- Interaction with a Consecrated Religious (Sister, Brother)
- Interaction with a Deacon
- Interaction with a Lay person
- Interaction with a Ministry Leader
- Interaction with a Staff person at Church, Catholic school, or the chancery
- Interaction with a Catholic Healthcare Staff
- Interaction with a Catholic Charitable/Service Organization Organization
- Interaction with a Non-Catholic
- In conversation
- In speech/homily
- In writing
- Online
- I cannot think of a time the Holy Spirit spoke to me or consoled me through another
- Other (please specify)

13. Think of a time you have felt particularly welcomed in your Catholic community. Which of the following best describe that time? (Select all that apply)

- Mass
- Reconciliation
- Small group gathering
- Conversation with staff
- Spiritual event
- Formation event
- Service or Outreach event
- Social event
- In my Church (parish/mission)
- In my Catholic School
- In my College campus ministry
- In an inter-parish group
- In a ministry or organization
- In a Catholic healthcare center
- On a pilgrimage
- I cannot think of a time I felt particularly welcomed in my Catholic community
- Other (please specify)

14. Please review the following statements and indicate your level of agreement with each.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Not sure
I feel welcomed and included in my local church, school, campus ministry, ministry or other organizations (Catholic community).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
When i am going through struggles, I feel the presence of God.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
When i am going through struggles, I feel accompanied by my Catholic community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have personal friends in my Catholic community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My Catholic Community has resources and programs that are useful in daily life.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I know who the local leaders are in my Catholic community and a way to contact them.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My Catholic community leaders (bishops, priests, teachers, principal, ministry leaders, staff, etc.) are approachable.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel comfortable sharing my thoughts and faith journey with others in my Catholic community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am heard without judgement or prejudice in my Catholic community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel empowered to speak about Jesus and share my faith with others and society.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel I play a role in the mission of the Church.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Eucharist plays a central role in my Catholic community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I believe the Eucharist is the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have experienced synodality in action in my Catholic community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have accompanied others in their struggles in my Catholic community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have heard the Holy Spirit speak to me through other's words in my Catholic community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have had an impact on decision making in my Catholic community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am growing deeper in conversion and doseness and doseness with Christ through attendance at Mass and activities through my Catholic community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am optimistic for the outcome of the Synod on Synodality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am hopeful for the future of the Church.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Church welcomes and responds to the needs of the poor and marginalized.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

15. What is your hope for the Church as a result of this Synod?

16. What opportunities for, or difficulties and obstacles to, journeying together, and to active and vibrant participation in the life of the parish/community, have you encountered?

17. If you left the Catholic Church, would you like to share with us the reason you are no longer practicing?

Non-Catholics only

Non-Catholics answer questions 18 through 22

18. Please tell us about your relationship to the Catholic Church and/or current faith. (Select all that apply)

- Married to a Catholic
- Attended Catholic School
- Children currently attend Catholic School
- Raised Catholic
- Not Religious
- Christian
- Other Religion
- Employee at a Catholic Heathcare Organization
- Employee at a Church, School, Chancery, or other Catholic organization

21. What opportunities for, or difficulties and obstacles to, journeying together have you encountered in your experience with the Catholic Church/community?

22. If you left the Catholic Church, would you like to share with us the reason you are no longer practicing?

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