

Synod on Synodality: Interim Phase

Message from Archbishop Hartmayer to be read from Pulpit:

We have entered into the <u>Interim Stage</u> of the Synod on Synodality. First and foremost, I ask that you continue your prayers for the Synod Process, that the Holy Spirit guide our hearts, conversations and discernments.

Based on <u>A Synodal Church in Mission Synthesis Report</u> from the 2023 Synodal Assembly, dioceses are being asked to host additional Listening Sessions to address how to enhance our individual and local contributions to our universal evangelizing mission. The dates and registration information are listed in the bulletin.

These will be a wonderful opportunity to hear in more depth with a special emphasis on a variety of voices including: high school and college students, healthcare professionals, people with disabilities, senior members of the community, those with LGBTQ+ experiences, those who are unhoused, veterans, divorced, and remarried, people from a variety of cultures, those who have left the church, seminarians on pastoral year and so on. This is not an exhaustive list, but meant only as a starting point to invite our many diverse and unique voices to the dialogue.

We look forward to gathering prayerfully in diversity and unity as we journey together in this next phase.

Bulletin Announcement:

For the next stage of the Synod on Synodality, the Archdiocese is hosting five Regional Listening Sessions throughout Lent attended by one of the bishops of Atlanta.

Domingo, 25 de febrero, 5 p. m. (español)

San Miguel, Gainesville

Register: https://forms.gle/fxsXn6Z5BqbMe7dBA

Tuesday, February 27, 7 p.m. Saint Philip Benizi, Jonesboro

Register: https://forms.gle/KvWuuJAsQ6Mn17e79

Wednesday, March 6, 7 p.m.

Chancery in Smyrna

Register: https://forms.gle/KvWuuJAsQ6Mn17e79

Thursday, March 7, 7 p.m.

(Focus on college students & young adults)

Saint Thomas More, Decatur

Register: https://forms.gle/KvWuuJAsQ6Mn17e79

Monday, March 18, 7 p.m.

Virtual

Register:

https://teams.microsoft.com/registration/pYYe8TxbrEaJZOWBt6eHiQ,Ot4BO3pB1kO0g9ZSUU6xzQ,dCOoz3U1Kk6-

Bu3qTPXyKg,Qf7HdGIYA0GCSOu2Tj9lUg,kYcVrEB_CkuGvXKznsiQlw,uT _7N6Eapk6JF8UVvJNC1w?mode=read&tenantId=f11e86a5-5b3c-46ac-8964-e581b7a78789

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