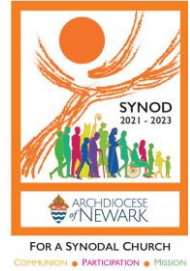


Synod on Synodality Update

Office of the Chancellor
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Walking Together on the Synodal Path

Listening Sessions

Listening Sessions have been going very well with parishes, youth groups, ministries, parish catechetical leaders and catechists, parents, kids in Catholic schools, religious institutes and more. The office for African American, African and Caribbean Apostolate has held three Masses and listening sessions to celebrate Black History Month and will hold their fourth one this coming Sunday, February 27 at Noon Mass at St. Joseph the Carpenter in Roselle. Bishop Elias Lorenzo, OSB is the celebrant. All are welcome!

Several deaneries have held listening sessions which have been very lively and have surfaced important results that will aid the deaneries in pastoral planning. Having groups of parishes together has provided opportunities for people to get to know each other and talk about significant successes and needs in their areas. We are encouraging all, especially parishes, to continue to reach out and hold additional sessions. This will assist the pastoral and finance councils in future discernment and direction. All the material is easily downloaded from the website.

Many sessions are being held in multiple languages. For those desiring deeper community building sessions in Spanish, please see the excellent resources available. <https://www.rcan.org/sinodo2023>

Webpage Additions

1. Reporting on Your Listening Session

The reporting pages and instructions are on the webpage and reports are coming in. Please have your reports synthesized and uploaded to the reporting pages **no later than April 15**. <https://www.rcan.org/reporting-your-listening-session>

2. New Videos

- Cardinal Tobin with a Message to Young People
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ox10XwW6s3M>
- Office for African American, African and Caribbean Apostolate
Mass at St. Anastasia, Teaneck with Fr. Emeka and Bishop Saporito
<https://jerseycatholic.org/black-catholics-and-diversity-celebrated-at-special-mass/>
- Listening Session at St. Anastasia, Teaneck with Sonja Garland
<https://youtu.be/FzpsjGxP3lc>

3. Synod Resources for Religious Institutes

Listening session materials and other resources are now up for religious congregations who are meeting in their respective institutes and regionally.
<https://www.rcan.org/synod-resources-religious-institutes>

Thank you for all you are doing to be a part of the Synod on Synodality.
