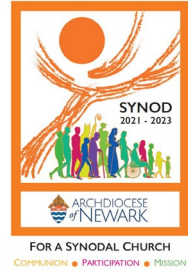


Synod on Synodality Update

Office of the Chancellor
September 19, 2022



Walking Together on the Synodal Path

Dear Colleagues,

Happy Fall! The Newark Synod Report is posted on the website in English, Spanish and multiple languages. A HUGE thank you to all of our translators who completed a massive task of making the report accessible.

This update contains very specific directions for our upcoming Synod celebration Mass on October 16. Please make sure to register on the link below.

Celebration Mass: Continuing the Journey

On Sunday, October 16 at Noon at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, we will pray in thanksgiving for the wonderful participation in the listening sessions and for the grace of the continuing journey. All are welcome to attend the Mass. If representatives from your community are unable to attend Mass at the Cathedral Basilica, please join us by celebrating the Synod Journey in your community's Masses during that weekend.

Opening Procession

We are planning a procession of parishes to begin at 11:30 before the Mass begins. We are asking you to have a representative from each parish, ministry, religious congregation, or organization to carry a sign. We will provide the signs in the vestibule of the cathedral. Please designate one person to pick up his/her sign and line up for the procession.

Celebrating Our Diversity

Our diocese is rich in diversity and we heard so many voices during the listening sessions. At the Mass we would like to continue to celebrate all of us and we encourage attendees to wear traditional dress of your country of heritage, if you wish. In addition, we will welcome all to the Cathedral with greetings in different languages. Please designate a person fluent in a particular language who can speak at the cantor's stand and send the name in as soon as possible. (see below) A script is being prepared for the different greetings.

The Order of Ceremony

A beautiful Synod song from the Philippines will start the procession with parishes, diocesan ministries, religious congregations, and organizations coming up the aisle carrying their sign and then going to their seats.

- **Procession Begins:**
Welcome in English, Chinese, Portuguese, Slovak
- **Procession will stop and the following languages will welcome all**
English, Korean, Italian, and Haitian/Creole,
- **Procession will stop and the following languages will welcome all**
Tagalog, Vietnamese, Polish, Chinese
- **Procession will stop and the following languages will welcome all**
Spanish, Portuguese, Nigerian, American sign language

The Mass then begins as usual when people are in their seats.

We will need a person in each of those languages to read the welcome at the cantor’s stand in the sanctuary. Please designate a person to speak and send the name to Sr. Donna at sr.donna.ciango@rcan.org ASAP

Language	Name	Cell Number	Email
English	Archdiocesan Synod Team Leader	X	X
American Sign Language			
Chinese			
Haitian/Creole			
Italian			
Korean			
Nigerian			
Polish			
Portuguese			
Slovak			
Spanish			
Tagalog			
Vietnamese			

Other			

Please register for the Mass at:

<https://forms.gle/VjVfJ9AYpWGEbefn8>

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at this great celebration

The synodal journey is ongoing! Parishes and other ministries report that the listening process is critical to healthy communities. There is a strong desire to ensure that listening sessions and other means of engaging people happens regularly. **Stay tuned...**

Thank you and many blessings!

