

Monday 29 April

THE FACE OF THE SYNODAL CHURCH

Experiences and understanding of synodality in the life of the parish and diocese/eparchy

"Synodality can be understood as Christians walking in communion with Christ toward the Kingdom along with the whole of humanity. Its orientation is towards mission, and its practice involves gathering in assembly at each level of ecclesial life. It involves reciprocal listening, dialogue, community discernment, and creation of consensus as an expression that renders Christ present in the Holy Spirit, each taking decisions in accordance with their responsibilities." (Synthesis Report, hereafter SR, 1, h). "The many expressions of synodal life in cultural contexts where people are used to walking together as a community" (SR 1, l).

What experiences of a synodal Church have I had in my ministry as a parish priest? Which ones have been happy and which ones less so? What understanding of synodality have I been able to mature through them?

Tuesday 30 April

ALL DISCIPLES ALL MISSIONARIES

The participation of different charisms, vocations, ministries in the life of the parish and diocese/eparchy

"Rather than saying that the Church has a mission, we affirm that Church 'is' mission. [...] The sacraments of Christian initiation confer on all the disciples of Jesus the responsibility for the mission of the Church. Laymen and laywomen, those in consecrated life, and ordained ministers have equal dignity. They have received different charisms and vocations and exercise different roles and functions, but all are called and nourished by the Holy Spirit to form one body in Christ (1 Cor. 4-31). They are all disciples, all missionaries, in the reciprocal vitality of local communities who experience the delightful and comforting joy of evangelizing. The exercise of co-responsibility is essential for synodality and is necessary at all levels of the Church. Each Christian is a mission on this earth." (SR 8, a-b).

In my ministry as a parish priest, how have I experienced the participation of different charisms, vocations, ministries in the life of the parish and diocese/eparchy? What insights and questions have they occasioned in me? In my local context, what significant experiences have we had of parish communities contributing to the life and mission of the local Church (diocese or eparchy) to which they belong? What have we learned from these experiences?

Wednesday 1 May

TEACHING TIES, BUILDING COMMUNITIES

Discernment dynamics for mission and participation bodies in the life of the parish and diocese/eparchy

"As members of the faithful People of God, all the baptised are co-responsible for mission, each according to his or her vocation, competence and experience. Therefore, all contribute to imagining and discerning steps to reform Christian communities and the Church as a whole. In this way, the Church experiences "the sweet and comforting joy of evangelising." The purpose of synodality, in the composition and functioning of the bodies in which it takes shape, is mission. Co-responsibility is for mission: this attests that we are truly gathered in the name of Jesus, this frees the bodies of participation from bureaucratic limitations and worldly logics of power, and makes gathering fruitful." (SR 18 a).

In my ministry as a parish priest, how have I experienced of the dynamics of ecclesial discernment? Which ones have been happy and which ones difficult? What lessons do I draw from them? In my local context, how do participatory bodies function at the parish level? And at diocesan or eparchy level? What signs of hope do I recognise there?



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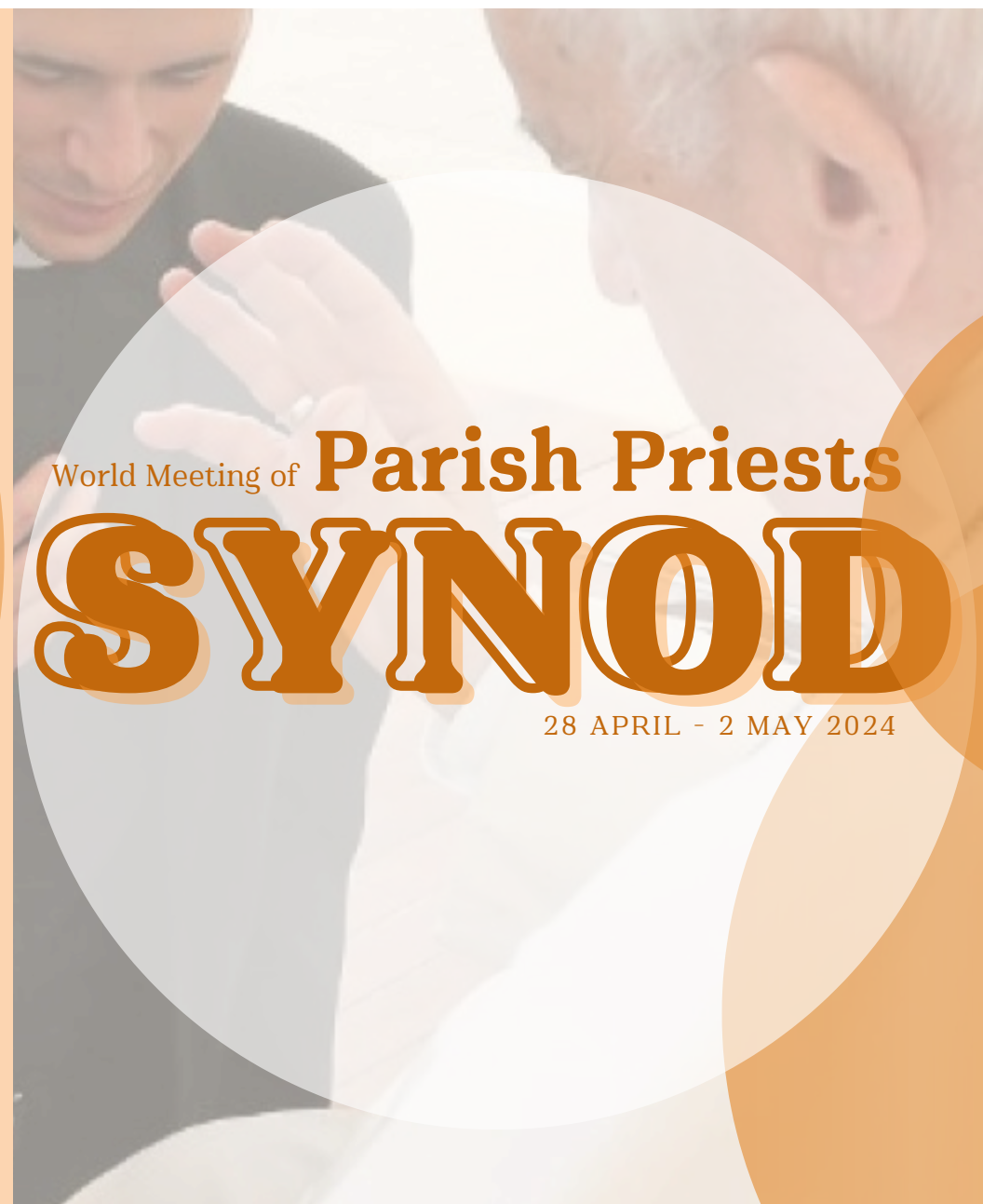
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28 APRIL - 2 MAY 2024



SECRETARIA GENERALIS SYNODI
DICASTERIUM PRO CLERICIS
DICASTERIUM PRO ECCLESIIS ORIENTALIBUS
DICASTERIUM PRO EVANGELIZATIONE

Sunday 28 April
DAY OF ARRIVAL

Shuttle departures for Sacrofano

- From Fiumicino airport (in front of the State Ceremonial, at the end of Terminal 3) at various times.
- From the square in front of the Aula Nervi in the Vatican (Entrance of the Petriano - Sant'Uffizio) at 4.30 p.m.

18:30 Celebration of the Eucharist
 Presider: H.E. Monsignor Luis MARÍN DE SAN MARTÍN, O.S.A.

Those who will have been unable to celebrate because of the journey will be able to celebrate the Eucharist together. Priests are asked to bring an alb and stole.

19:30 Dinner
A buffet will be available from 7:30-10 p.m.

21:30 Short Welcome

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THE FACE OF THE SYNODAL CHURCH

07:00 Breakfast

08:00 Opening prayer (in the hall)

08:15 Opening greetings
 Moderator: Cardinal Mario GRECH

- Cardinal Lazarus YOU HEUNG-SIK
- Cardinal Luis Antonio TAGLE
- Cardinal Claudio GUGEROTTI

08:30 Presentation of the meeting
 H.E. Monsignor Luis MARÍN DE SAN MARTÍN, O.S.A.
Where are we on the synodal path?
 P. Giacomo COSTA, S.I.

09:00 Introduction to the theme of the day: The face of a Synodal Church (SR, Part 1)
Intervention of Experts and good practices

09:45 Introduction to Conversation in the Spirit
 Sr. Nathalie BECQUART, X.M.C.J.

Coffee Break

10:45 Synodal conversation in working groups

Lunch

15:00 Plenary presentation of group work
 Moderator: Rev. Riccardo BATTOCCHIO
(some groups in dialogue with the experts)

16:30 Coffee Break

17:00 Plenary presentation of group work continues

18:00 Return to the small groups

18:45 Eucharistic celebration in Spanish (animated by the Pontifical Spanish College)
 Presider: Rev. Óscar Díaz MALAVER, Archdiocese of Seville (Spain)

(Priests are asked to bring with them an alb and stole)

20:00 Dinner

21:00 Recreation / community sharing: Each participant is invited to bring typical products from their own country to share with the group.

Experts



Tuesday 30 April
ALL DISCIPLES ALL MISSIONARIES

07:00 Breakfast

08:00 Prayer

08:30 Introduction to the theme of the day: All disciples all missionaries (SR, Part 2)
 Moderator: Rev. Lorenzo FEDELE

Intervention of Experts and good practices

09:30 Time for meditation and personal prayer

10:00 Synodal conversation in working groups

Lunch

15:00 Plenary presentation of group work
 Moderator: Rev. Dario VITALI

Coffee Break

17:00 Plenary presentation of group work continues

18:00 Return to the small groups

18:45 Celebration of the Eucharist (animated by the Pontifical Armenian College)
 Presider: Fr. Rafi OUHANESSIAN, Patriarchate of Cilicia of the Armenians

20:00 Dinner

21:00 Moment of dialogue on the Synod and Synodality
 Question/answer session
 Moderator: Dr Riccardo ROSSI

Wednesday 1 May
TEACHING TIES, BUILDING COMMUNITIES

07:00 Breakfast

08:00 Prayer

08:30 Introduction to the issue of the day: Weaving ties, building community (SR, part 3)
 Moderator: Rev. Mgr. Hyacinthe DIONÉ

Intervention of Experts and good practices

09:30 Time for meditation and personal prayer

10:00 Synodal conversation in working groups

Lunch

15:00 Plenary presentation of group work
 Moderator: Rev. Giuseppe BONFRATE

Coffee Break

17:00 Plenary presentation of group work continues

18:00 Return to the small groups

18:45 Celebration of the Eucharist (animated by the community of the Pious Disciples of Rome)
 Presider: Rev. Donald J. Planty, Jr., Archdiocese of Washington (US)

Dinner

21:00 Free evening

Thursday 2 May
DIALOGUE WITH POPE FRANCIS

06:30 Breakfast

07:15 Departure from Sacrofano

09:45 MEETING-DIALOGUE WITH THE HOLY FATHER

12:00 Celebration of the Eucharist at the Altar of the Chair in St. Peter's Basilica
 Presider: Cardinal Mario Grech

Packed lunch

14:00 VISITS
(advance booking required) to St Peter's Basilica and the Vatican Gardens

DEPARTURES

(Some shuttles will leave from the square in front of Casa 'Santa Marta' to the airports in Rome)