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Press release

## Cardinal Grech to American university students: "Be wise, ask the right questions"!

Video message of the Secretary General of the Synod of Bishops on the occasion of the synodal meeting "Building Bridges" between Pope Francis and university students from across the American continent

"You have a future, you have a vision, you have a project and I assume that you have also your fears whether you will see your dreams, your visions completed. But please you need to be wise and [...] the key for wisdom is to put the right questions". This is what **Cardinal Mario Grech**, Secretary General of the Synod of Bishops, says in a video message to the university students of the American continent who will gather tomorrow, 24 February at 12 noon (CST), at *Loyola University* in Chicago to hold the synodal meeting entitled "Building Bridges".

"And this exercise is taking place in a particular moment of the life of the Church. The Church is convoked in a synod. What does this mean? That the Church is listening to the questions of the People of God. The Church itself is making questions. So I really hope that this exercise will also contribute to this synodal process of the Church". He concludes with an appeal "You can take part more directly in this synodal exercise, in this first phase which we call the consultation phase by taking part in this process in your particular Churches".

The meeting is promoted by Loyola University of Chicago with the collaboration of the Pontifical Commission for Latin America. The organisation was entrusted to the Hank Centre for Catholic Intellectual Heritage, the Institute of Pastoral Studies and the Department of Theology at Loyola University. University students representing the entire American continent will participate, but anyone can register through the following link <a href="https://www.luc.edu/popefrancis">https://www.luc.edu/popefrancis</a>

The meeting will be streamed live in Spanish, English and Portuguese at the following address: <a href="https://www.luc.edu/popefrancis">https://www.luc.edu/popefrancis</a>

For more information, see the attached information note in ENG, SPA and POR

The full video message is available in English at this address: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iuMYsz7TstY