

The Synodal Process

towards 2028

PROCESS OF LISTENING,
ENCOUNTERING, DIALOGUING, DISCERNING



9-10 OCTOBER 2021

Worldwide Opening of the Synodal Process



17 OCTOBER 2021

Local Opening of the Synodal Process



PHASE 1 - The Consultation of the people of God

**LOCAL - NATIONAL
CONSULTATION**



CONTINENTAL STAGE

DIALOGUE AMONG THE CHURCHES OF A SPECIFIC REGION



PHASE 2 - The discernment of the Pastors

4-29 OCTOBER 2023

1ST SESSION XVI General Ordinary
Assembly of the Synod of Bishops

2-27 OCTOBER 2024

2ND SESSION XVI General Ordinary
Assembly of the Synod of Bishops



PHASE 3 - The implementation *For a Synodal Church*

2025

MARCH

Announcement of the accompaniment and evaluation process

JULY

Publication of the *Pathways for the Implementation Phase*

24-26 OCTOBER

**Jubilee of Synodal Teams
and participatory bodies**

2025 JUNE - 2026 DECEMBER

Implementation paths in local Churches
and their groupings

2027

FIRST HALF

Evaluation Assemblies in Dioceses and Eparchies

SECOND HALF

Evaluation Assemblies in National and International
Episcopal Conferences, Eastern hierarchical
structures, and other groupings of Churches.

2028

FIRST FOUR MONTHS

Continental **Evaluation Assemblies**

OCTOBER

**Celebration of the Ecclesial
Assembly** in the Vatican

