

Synod: Now What?

Thank you for your participation in the Synod listening phase. There were over 350 listening sessions held in this Archdiocese with 4000 participants. It is now time to continue our journey and begin to discern the feedback.

Pope Francis, most recently, extended the work of the Synod into 2024. Read this article from the Vatican. <https://vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2022-10/pope-francis-synod.html>

Repeatedly, we have heard that this listening phase was simply the beginning of our journey. The Holy Father asks that we continue to pray and discern what the Holy Spirit is saying to each of us.

In continuing our Synodal journey, please consider these resources:

- Listen to the Synod Podcast with Archbishop Smith and Eugenia Pagnotta- Kowalczyk outlining the key findings from the listening sessions
<https://caedm.ca/upfront/>
- Read the Archdiocese of Edmonton, Western Canada, National and Continental synthesis:
<https://caedm.ca/synod>
- Register and attend one of the Synod: Now What? Sessions:
<https://caedm.ca/synod>

The purpose of these **Synod: Now What?** sessions is to share what we heard at this Archdiocese level and to begin to discuss the next steps. Parishes, organizations, schools, individuals, are likewise able to share what they heard. Through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, we will begin this process of discernment. Everyone is welcome to register -either in person or through zoom. Together we join in prayer that the Holy Spirit will continue to guide our Synodal journey and deepen our common mission of service to Christ!