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catholic church

SYNOD SYNTHESIZING FOR EACH THEME FROM FACILITATORS APRIL 27, 2022

1. JOURNEYING COMPANIONS: We are all journeying together and recognize everyone is on a different path. We need to welcome new people, teach from the heart of charity, see the mass as the unifying component of the church, and allow people opportunities to worship in groups or individually.
2. LISTENING: The Church needs to listen to children, younger generation, parents, families, people of other faiths, and the Bible.
3. SPEAKING OUT: Our Church needs to be all inclusive and increase our outreach to others.
4. CELEBRATING: During the liturgy we can form connections with those who feel excluded as well as new parishioners through a short verbal exchange before closing prayer.
5. CO-RESPONSIBLE IN THE MISSION: Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ.
6. DIALOGUE IN THE CHURCH AND SOCIETY: Dialogue should take place within all ministries at a parish and within other churches and society so all are listening to how other church groups operate.
7. DIALOGUE WITH OTHER CHRISTIAN DENOMINATIONS: Due to the common relationship with Christ, parishioners are gaining respect for the strength, authenticity, courageousness of all denominations.
8. AUTHORITY AND PARTICIPATION: Participants would like to be more actively involved in dialogue and using their gifts and would like to see authorities/hierarchy be more intentional about inviting active involvement.
9. DISCERNING AND DECIDING: We need to build community by engaging young parishioners (25 years or younger) and intentionally involving parishioners to address parish issues.
10. FORMING OURSELVES IN SYNODALITY: People place high value on offering tools and opportunities for ongoing personal faith formation.