

Synod Prayer : We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

St Dominic's/ St Mary's working with the **worldwide** Church on the invitation of **Pope Francis** to the **Synod Parish Gathering** , inspired by the **Holy Spirit**.

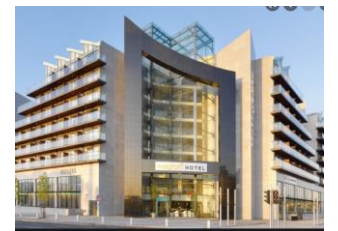


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For a synodal Church
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Gathering 1 : Monday 14 March 2022 7.30 PM Maldon Hotel

Gathering 1 : Monday 21 March 2022 7.30 PM Maldon Hotel



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Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

- The Synod Gatherings ask us to **LISTEN TO ONE ANOTHER TO EXCLUDE NO ONE**

And allow the **Holy Spirit** by our guide.

Participants will listen and then write down their **Joys, Sorrows, Hopes and Fears**. This listening will be a **parish record**. **Key Trends** in the listening will be send to Rome.

<https://tinyurl.com/Synod2022>



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All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.

- **Please take an invitation home and give copies to families and friends.**
- **If interested in helping organise out Synod Listening with Holy Spirit please contact the parish team and..... Pray the Synod prayer.**

- “What is the Spirit saying to the Churches?” (Rev 2:7). **We are asked to trust the Holy Spirit to lead us together in discerning the changes that are necessary for renewal and reform.** What part of the Church requires new energy, renewed efforts, some fresh vitality, in order to bring the message of Jesus Christ to the contemporary world? How do we begin? **We begin at a local level in the parish by listening to each another.** When we gather, Pope Francis asks “us not to soundproof our hearts; let us not remain barricaded in our certainties. So often our certainties and make us closed. Let us listen to one another” (Homily, Archbishop Farrell 11th October 2021).

