



SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

Listening and Discernment in Local Churches

First Phase [October 2021 – August 2022]
in Dioceses and Bishops' Conferences

SYNOD LISTENING SESSIONS SCHEDULE

St. Theresa's Parish
7508 – 29 Avenue NW
Edmonton, Alberta

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We have been travelling on our parish Synod journey for the past number of weeks now with presentations by the celebrant on Saturday and Sunday masses, weekly Synod inserts in the parish bulletin, a presentation by the Synod committee leaders and a Synod brochure.

It is now time for each of us to be prepared to do the hard work.

Time to invite the Holy Spirit to guide each of us as we do the following:

- Reflect our own faith journey as we participate in one or more of our Parish Listening Sessions
- Be prepared to answer some or all the questions in the Synod Listening Session guide
- Share with each other about your own faith journey, if comfortable in doing so
- To reflect and share on your vision of the future of the Church and our parish in the Third Millennium

The following chart is a list of dates, times, and location for our in - person Parish Listening Sessions. Due to the nature of what we are attempting to do, to each share our faith journey with others, we feel it is important to do it in-person to be able to share with each other.

Month	Dates	Location	Notes
February	17 (Thursday)	MacNeil Hall	7:00 – 9:30 pm
March	3 (Thursday)	MacNeil Hall	7:00 – 9:30 pm
	12 (Saturday)	MacNeil Hall	2:00 – 5:00 pm
	17 (Thursday)	MacNeil Hall	7:00 – 9:30 pm
	31 (Thursday)	MacNeil Hall	7:00 – 9:30 pm
April	2 (Saturday)	MacNeil Hall	10:00 am – 1:00 pm
	6 (Wednesday)	MacNeil Hall	7:00 – 9:30 pm

To hold these in-person Synod Listening Session, COVID - 19 Health Restrictions will be in place.

- Masks must be worn at all times, by participants, when in the MacNeil Hall
- Social distancing must be observed
- Place your coat on the back of your chair
- Bring your own refreshments
- Please register at the start of each session.

THE MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF THE HALL FOR EACH SESSION WILL BE 80 PEOPLE.

Each Listening Session will be approximately 1.5 - 2.0 hours long and will involve some or all the following events:

- Welcoming
- Synod Prayer to invite the Holy Spirit to be present
- General instructions on how the Listening Session will be conducted
- Specific instructions on the Listening Session format
- Time for individual work and group sharing on the question being discussed
- Sharing with the whole group by 1 or 2 groups on the question
- General discussion on the Listening Session itself

At the end of each Listening Session, participants will be invited to deposit their Listening Session forms with the Listening Session Leader.

The information on the forms will be used to prepare our Parish Synod Synthesis that will be submitted to the Archdiocese of Edmonton at the end of April 2022.

We encourage everyone that is planning to participate in a Listening Session to download a copy of the Detailed Synod Listening Guide from the parish website at <https://sttheresa.caedm.ca>, pick up a copy at the Parish Office or the Synod display table in the foyer of the church.

We look forward to your participation and sharing in an upcoming parish sponsored Synod Listening Session.

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Listening Leader