

## ANNOUNCING THE SYNOD

Recently, Pope Francis announced that there will be a worldwide Synod exploring ways in which the universal Church can improve its ability to listen to the faithful. The theme for the Synod is “For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission.” Pope Francis reminds us that we must

continue to reflect on our life and mission so to better impact the world and increase our ability to encounter Christ. Your participation and input are a necessary and vital piece to this process.



Our parish will be hosting 3 sessions at which you will be invited to engage in dialogue with others on the following questions. You may also submit your responses to these questions at the listening sessions, via email at [synodsvp@srchurch.com](mailto:synodsvp@srchurch.com) or drop off the responses at the Church office.

### Question 1

What fills you with joy about the Catholic Church? What causes you concern about the Catholic Church?

### Question 2

Are you encouraged to speak up courageously and responsibly about challenges and concerns?

Do you feel heard? Do you listen to the voices of others?

How can we create greater opportunities for people to be heard in Church and in the public square?

### Question 3

What type of support do you need to grow in your personal relationship with Jesus and His Church? What type of support do you need to help others to enter into a personal relationship with Jesus and His Church? How can the Catholic Church accompany and support you with these?