Week 1 Synod Recommendations 1-6

What is God asking us to do in the Archdiocese?

Synod invites you to take time to reflect on these recommendations and then give your response to each of them using one of the following:-

Mark a recommendation 1 if you feel it is very important and should be enacted soon.

Mark a recommendation 2 if you feel it is very important but not top of your list

Mark a recommendation 3 if you feel it is not very important

Please rate <u>all</u> of the recommendations. There aren't any right or wrong ratings, it is just what you feel about each of the recommendations.

Synod Recommendation #1 Evangelisation

We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan heed the call of the Church to be courageous in guiding all Catholics to deepen their relationship with Jesus, and to engage in our mission to help make Jesus known and loved in our world.

1, 2 or 3? ____

Synod Recommendation #2 Lay Ministry

We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan must include honouring the many vocations of all the baptised, women and men alike. This will also include a strong commitment to lay ministry including training employed ministers, supporting volunteer ministers, and coordinating their work alongside the clergy.

1, 2 or 3? ____

Synod Recommendation #3 Ministry

We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan include a strong commitment to ordained ministry including a programme of support and formation for priests, deacons, and seminarians, and coordination of their work alongside lay ministers.

1, 2 or 3? _____

Synod Recommendation #4 A More Inclusive Church

A. We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan include action on the part of both parish and archdiocese to announce the welcome we offer to everyone.

B. We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan include dialogue with those who feel excluded, in order to develop initiatives so that the whole Church can reflect on what it means to be more inclusive.

1, 2 or 3?

Synod Recommendation #5 Ecumenism

We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan include a commitment for parishes and schools to develop education about ecumenism, which would lead to concrete actions with ecumenical partners.

1, 2 or 3? _____

Synod Recommendation #6 Young People and Young Adults

We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan include a plan to assist parishes in understanding, meeting, forming and welcoming young people and young adults, and developing locally employed and volunteer youth ministers to work with young people and young adults.

1, 2 or 3? _____

Please return this page to the Parish Synod Team as soon as possible but no later than 7th May 2021 to: hja9028@qmail.com

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