

## Week 4 Synod Recommendations 16-19

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 all of the recommendations. There aren't any right or wrong ratings, it is just what you feel about each of the recommendations.*

### **Synod Recommendation #16 Governance and Synodality**

A. We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan include a strengthening of collaborative and synodal leadership at local and Diocesan level with a sustained commitment to accountability, transparency, and inclusivity. **1, 2 or 3?** \_\_\_\_

B. We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan as part of our growing commitment to synodality, develop a process that ensures women are equal, valued, visible and heard. **1, 2 or 3?** \_\_\_\_

### **Synod Recommendation #1 Property**

A. We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan include establishing a working group of clergy and lay people, along with ecumenical and community partners, to study our current portfolio of properties asking how they can best support our mission. **1, 2 or 3?** \_\_\_\_

B. We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan develop strategies to accompany communities as they discern the future use of parish properties. **1, 2 or 3?** \_\_\_\_

### **Synod Recommendation #18 Parishes and Deaneries**

We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan be bold and creative in renewing parish and deanery structures. We want our structures to be at the service of our mission, and we are aware that we must adapt parish structures to meet the needs of our age and plan to share resources across parish boundaries. **1, 2 or 3?** \_\_\_\_

### **Synod Recommendation #19 The Church in the Modern World**

We, the people of the Archdiocese, recommend that the pastoral plan invite and support all the people of the Church to take a leading role to creatively shape the "new normal" in our society and culture that will emerge after the current pandemic. **1, 2 or 3?** \_\_\_\_

Please return this page to the Parish Synod Team as soon as possible but *no later than 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021* to:  
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