



Dear friend,

## WALKING TOGETHER: LISTENING TO ALL

You may have heard that Pope Francis has announced a global listening exercise (Synodal Journey) for the Catholic church to engage with all people and to reflect upon our response to the issues which arise today's world. He says: '*The Synod offers us the opportunity to become a listening Church, to break out of our routine and pause from our pastoral concerns in order to stop and listen*'.

You may have received this letter from your parents or friends who are active members of Catholic parishes in the Plymouth Diocese. We are keen to reach out to those of all faiths and none; those who were baptised Catholic but are no longer part of our parish and those whose voices are seldom heard. We would really value your feedback which will be anonymised and collated by the Plymouth Diocese before a summary is sent to the Bishops of England and Wales and then to the Synod in Rome.

If you wish to participate in the conversation face to face, your local parish can tell you how. We are also inviting people to take a moment to help us listen by responding to a short survey <u>https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/9MVCQ7M</u> also accessible through the QR code below. We really want to know what you think, however difficult your experiences may be to share. You are also welcome to fill in the survey on paper and return it to your local parish or to the address below.

Our best wishes and prayers continue to go with you on your journey through life, wherever that may take you.

Any questions please contact synodfeedback@prcdtr.org.uk

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