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Fundamental Questions Reflection Journaling Pages

Write your personal reflections to the three fundamental questions that Pope Francis has put before the People of God. As you do, think about what experiences the questions bring to mind. What are the joys of Catholic community life? What are the obstacles to a rich experience of Catholic community?

1. What does it mean for a Church to “journey together” in announcing the Gospel?

2. How does “journeying together” happen today in your local Catholic community?



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3. What steps does the Spirit invite us to take to grow in our journeying together?



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Synodal Session Preparation Worksheets

As you prepare to participate in a synodal session, reflect on the 10 core topics. Use the space below to write down key words for any thoughts you have on each one.

Circle one or two topics that you feel most connected with at this time.

Begin with this short prayer: *Open my heart, Oh Lord to hear the prompting of the Holy Spirit.*

1. Companions on the Journey

2. Celebration

3. Sharing Responsibility for Our Common Mission

4. Listening

5. Speaking Out



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6. Dialogue in Church and Society

7. Ecumenism

8. Authority and Participation

9. Discerning and Deciding

10. Forming Ourselves in Synodality



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