



FutureChurch Synod Watch

Session III

Instrumentum Laboris

Working document for October 4 –
29, 2023 Synod Gathering

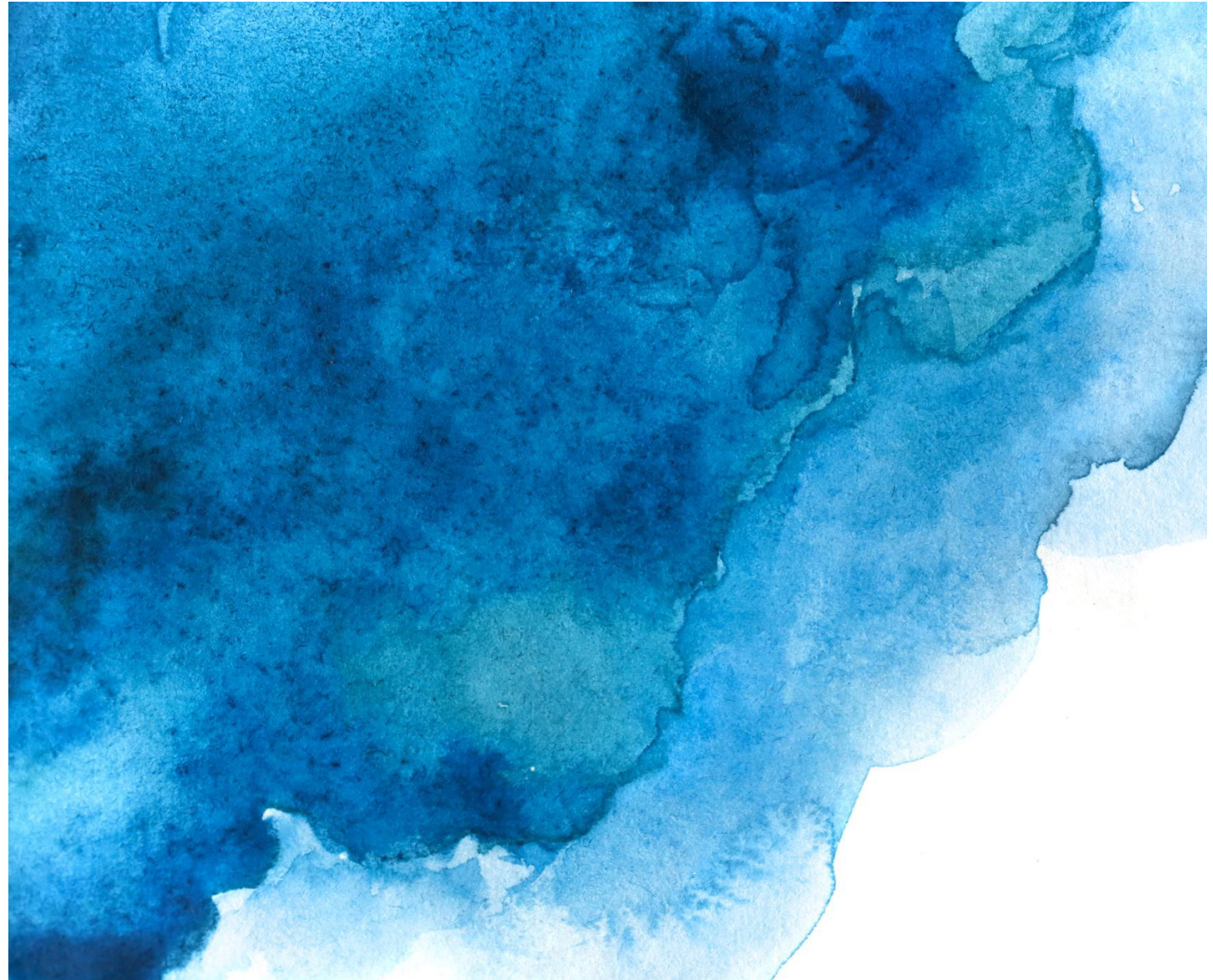
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October 4 – 29, 2023

Approximately 400 participants 70
lay people – at least half women

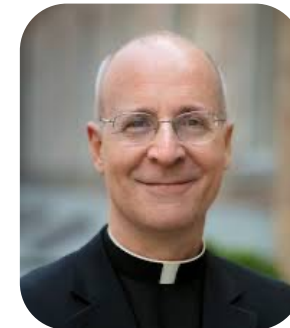
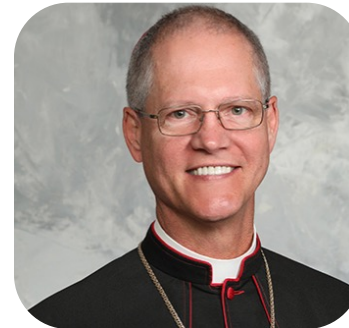
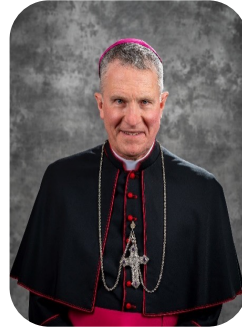
The list of participants has been
finalized

Meeting has been moved to a
larger venue – Vatican auditorium



Who is going?

- Archbishop Timothy Broglio
- Bishop Daniel Flores
- Cardinal Timothy Dolan
- Bishop Kevin Rhoades
- Bishop Robert Barron
- Cardinal Blaise Cupich
- Cardinal Wilton Gregory
- Bishop Robert McElroy
- Archbishop Sean O'Malley
- Archbishop Paul Etienne
- Fr. James Martin, SJ
- Cardinal Joe Tobin



Who is going from N.A.?

- Cynthia Bailey Manns
- Richard Coll
- Leticia Salazar, O.D.N.
- Julia Oseka
- Rev. Iván Montelongo
- David McCallum S.J. (expert)
- Maria Cimperman, R.S.C.J. (expert)



Who is going?

- 84 women listed
- 38 women religious listed
- 46 lay women

Women who will vote
*Undersecretary of the General
Secretariat of the Synod*

Sister Nathalie BECQUART,
XMCJ



Women who will vote

Religious superiors

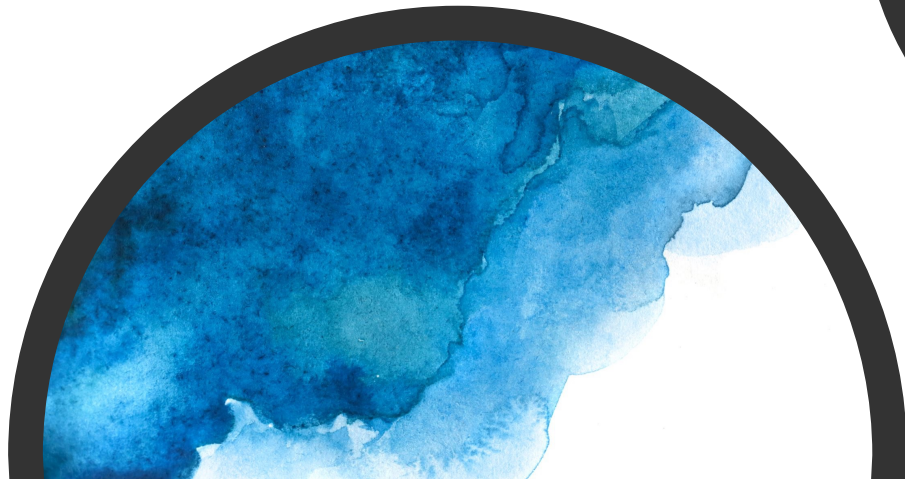
Sr. Nadia COPPA, ASC, President of the
“International Union of Superiors General”
(UISG)

Sr. Elizabeth Mary DAVIS, RSM, Head of the
Meeting Place Commission

Sister Elysée IZERIMANA, Op. SDN, General
Councilor of the Worker Sisters of the Holy
House of Nazareth

Sister Patricia MURRAY, IBVM, Executive
Secretary of the “International Union of
Superiors General” (UISG)

Sister Maria NIRMALINI, AC, Superior General of
the Sisters of the Apostolic Carmel



Women who will vote

President's delegates

- Sister Maria de los Dolores
PALENCIA, CSJ (Mexico)
- Ms. Momoko NISHIMURA, SEMD
(Japan)



Who will vote?

Papal Appointees

Sister Simona BRAMBILLA, MC, Superior General of the Consolata Missionaries (Italy)

Sr. Maria De Los Dolores PALENCIA, CSJ, President Delegate

Sr. Samuela Maria RIGON, SSM, Superior General of the Sisters of St. Mother of Sorrows (Italy)

Sister Xiskya Lucia VALLADARES P. (Nicaragua), Co-founder of IMisión, Director of the Communication Department of the “Centro De Enseñanza Superior Alberta Giménez” (CESAG - Universidad Pontificia Comillas)

Sister María de Fátima VIEIRA DINIZ, S.Smo .S., Superior General of the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament (Venezuela)



Who will vote? *Africa*

Sister Ester Maria LUCAS, FC

Sister Josée NGALULA, RSA

Mrs. Norha Kofognotera NONTERAH

Ms. Sheila Leocádia PIRES

Sister Marie Solange RANDRIANIRINA,
FSP

Sister Solange Sahon SIA, NDC





Who will vote? *North America*

- Ms. Cynthia BAILEY MANNNS

Ms. Catherine CLIFFORD

Sr. Chantal DESMARAIS

Ms. Julia OSEKA

Sr. Leticia SALAZAR

Mrs. Linda STAUDT



Who will vote? *Latin America*

- Mrs. Erika Sally ALDUNATE LOZA
- Sister Rosmery CASTAÑEDA MONTOYA
- Mrs. María Cristina DOS ANJOS DA CONCEIÇÃO
- Sister Gloria Liliana FRANCO ECHEVERRI, ODN
- Ms. Sônia GOMES DE OLIVEIRA
- Ms. Valeria Karina LÓPEZ



Hna
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MIEMBRO
NO OBISPO

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ROSMERY



Who will vote?

Asia

- Ms. Vanessa CHENG SIU WAI

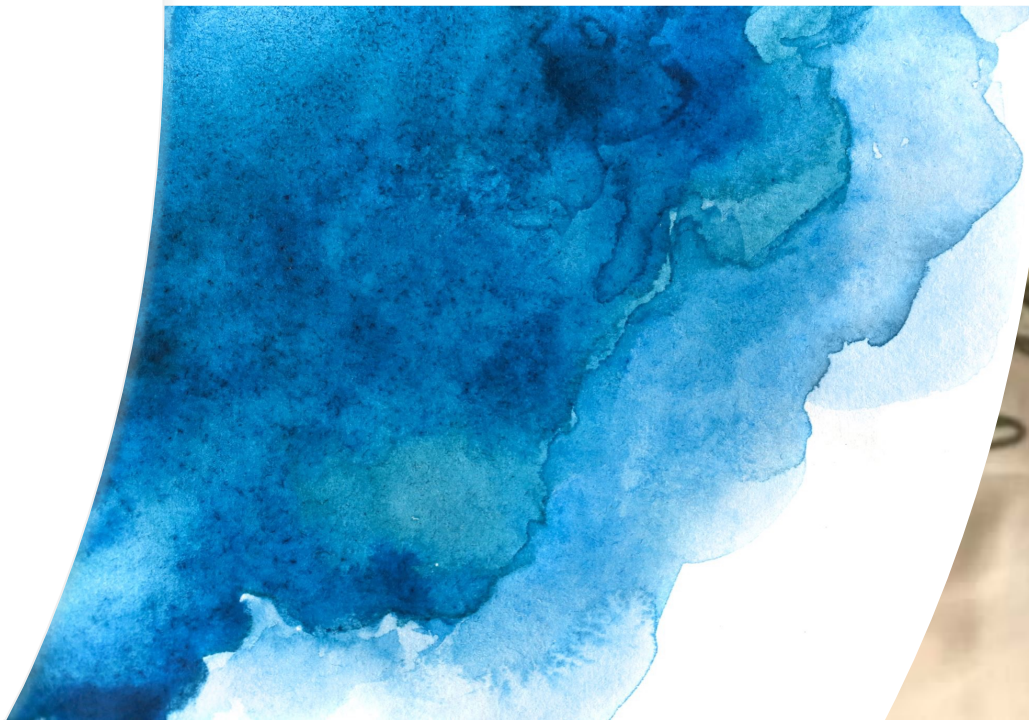
- Ms. Rosalia Minus CHO
CHO TIN

Ms. Momoko NISHIMURA,
SEMD

Ms. Estela PADILLA

Ms. Anna Teresa PETER
AMANDUS

Dr. Sister Lalitha THOMAS, SJT



Who will vote? *Oriental Churches and Middle East*

Sr. Caroline JARJIS

Sr. Houda FADOUL

Ms. Rita KOUROUMILIAN

Ms. Caroline RAFAAT AWD NAROUZ

Ms Claire SAID

Ms Lina TASCHMANN



Who will vote? *Europe*

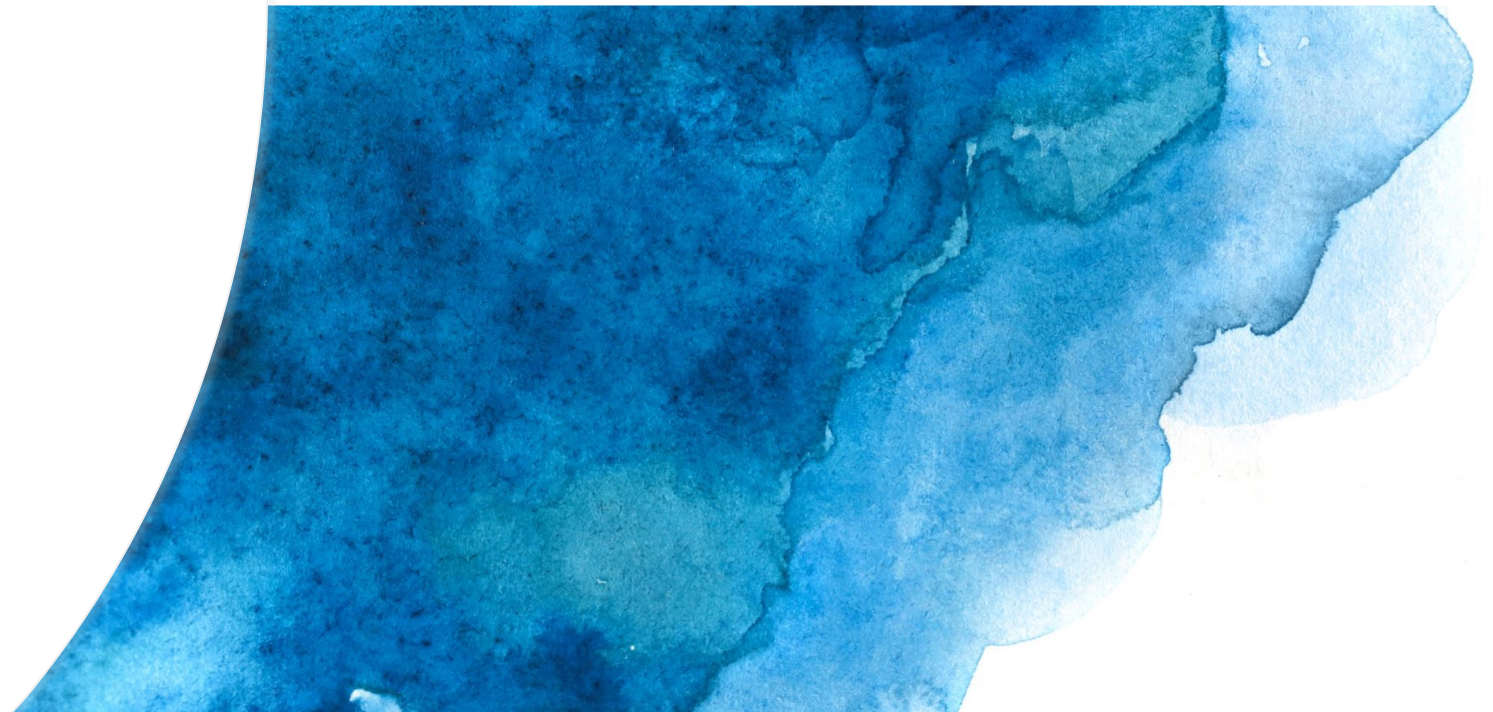
Professor Giuseppina DE SIMONE

Sister Anne FERRAND

Mrs. Helena JEPPESEN-SPUHLER

Sister Anna Mirijam KASCHNER, CPS

Mrs. Mariia SABOV



Who will vote?

Oceana

Professor Renée KÖHLER-RYAN

Dr. Trudy DANTIS

Ms. Kelly PAGET

Sister Mary Angela PEREZ, RSM

Dr Susan SELA

Ms Grace WRACKIA

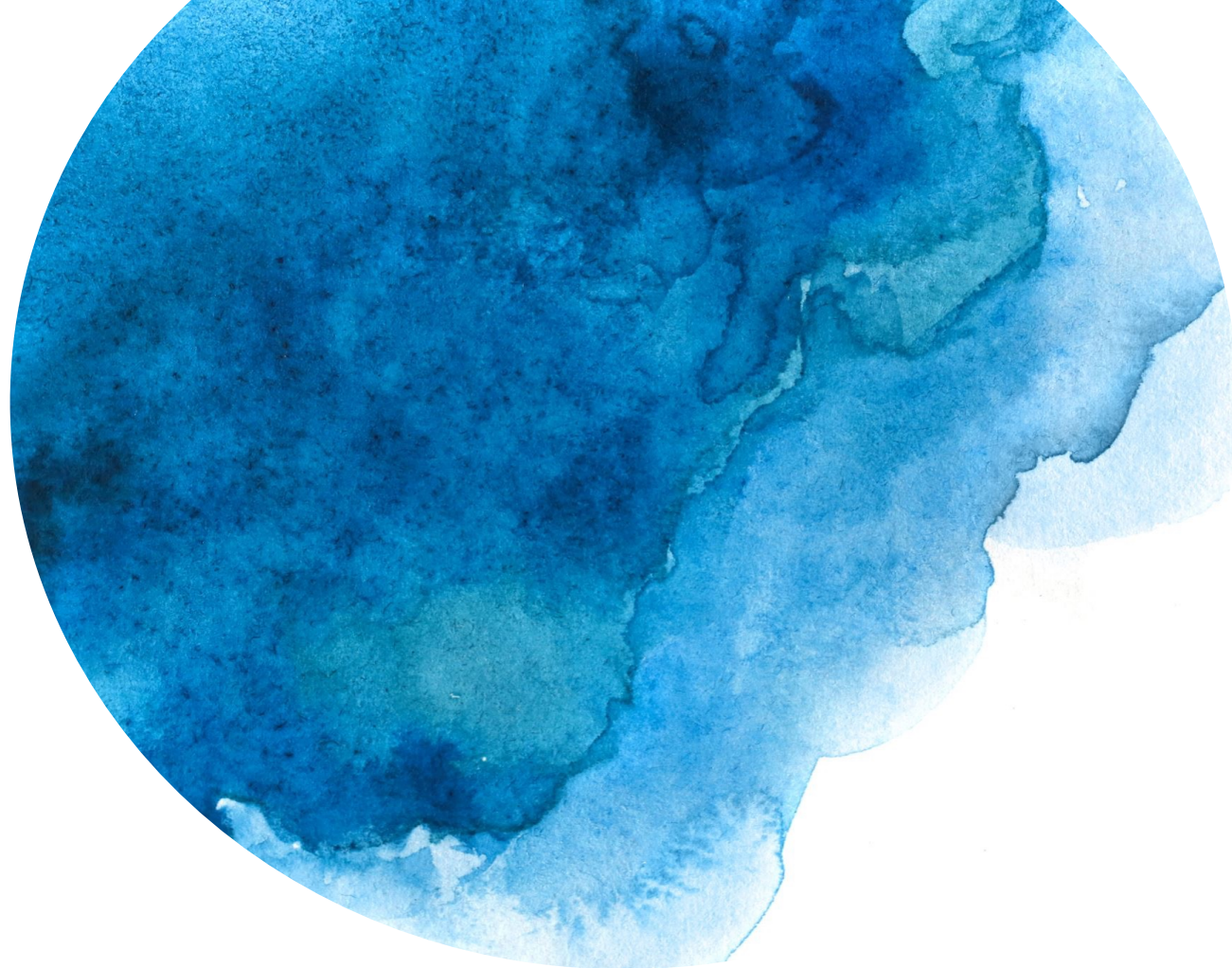


Special Guests
Spiritual Assistants

Ms. Eva FERNÁNDEZ MATEO
(Catholic Action)

Ms. Margaret KARRAM (Work of
Mary - Focolare Movement)

Mother Maria Ignazia ANGELINI,
OSB, of the Monastery of
Viboldone (Italy)



Experts/Facilitators

Sister Jolanta Maria KAFKA, RMI
(Poland)

Dr. Christina KHENG (Singapore)

Sister Laurence LOUBIÈRES, XMCI
(Canada)

Sister. Paola NELEMTA
NGARNDIGUIMAL, SPC (Chad)

Professor Susan PASCOE (Australia)

Sr. Yvonne REUNGOAT, FMA (France)

Professor Anna ROWLANDS (Great
Britain)

Sr. Nicoletta Vittoria SPEZZATI, ASC
(Italy)

Ms. Erica TOSSANI (Italy)

Professor Myriam WIJLENS (Holland)

Sr. María Luisa BERZOSA GONZÁLEZ, FI
(Spain)

Sister Daniela Adriana CANNAVINA, CMR
(Colombia)

Sister María Suyapa CACHO ÁLVAREZ
(Honduras)

Ms. Sandra CHAOUL (Lebanon)

Sister Maria CIMPERMAN, RSCJ (United
States of America)

Dr. Sandie CORNISH (Australia)

Professor Klára Antonia CSISZÁR
(Romania)

Sr. Anne Béatrice FAYE, CIC (Ivory Coast)

Ms. Iris GONZALES (Dominican Republic)

Sr. Philomena Shizue HIROTA, MMB
(Japan)

Ms. Claire JONARD (Belgium)

Sister Jolanta Maria KAFKA, RMI (Poland)

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OSF

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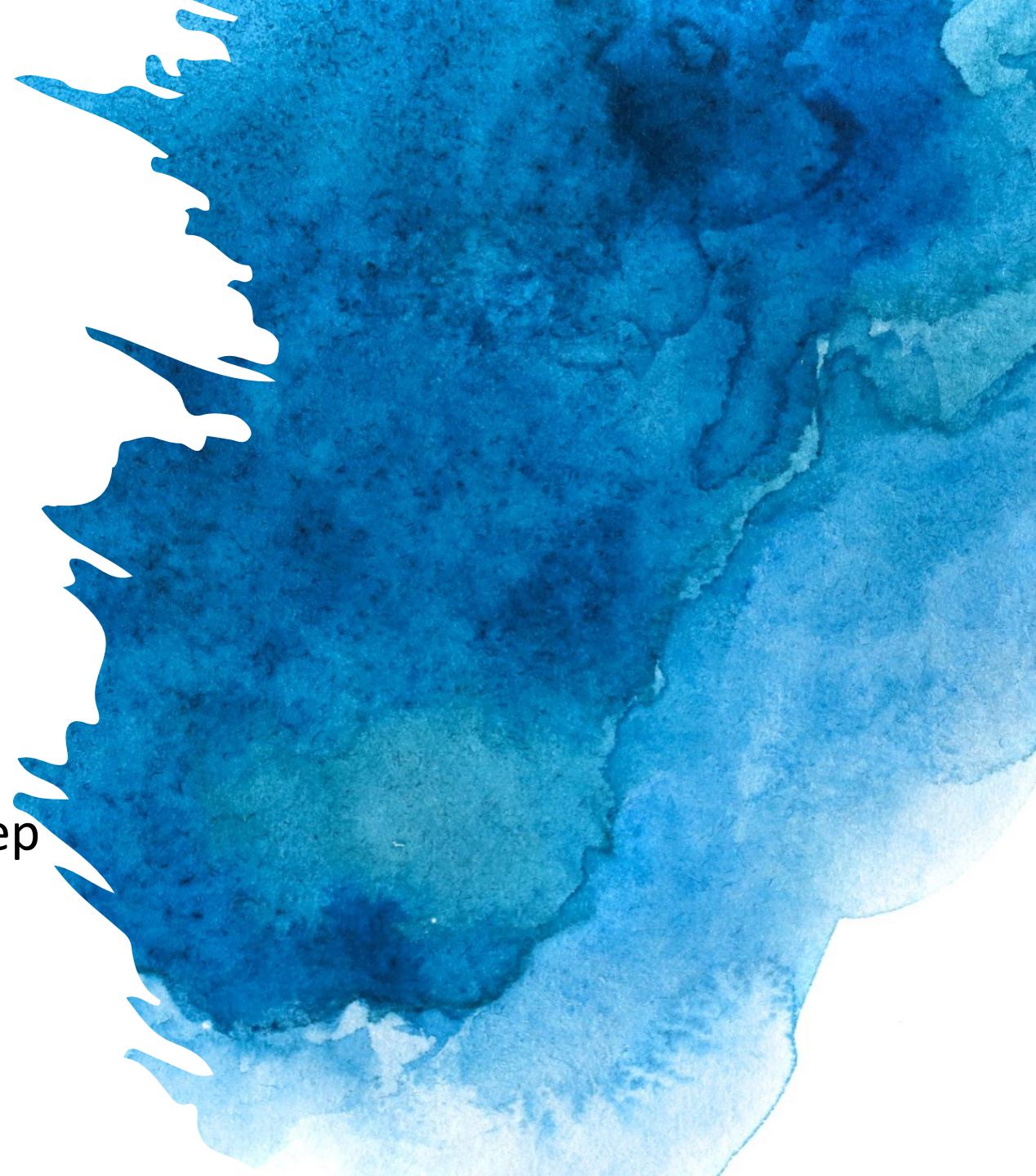


What Synod Participants will discern in October 2023

Section A – For a Synodal Church –
Fundamentals of a synodal church

Section B – Communion, Co-
Responsibility in Mission, Participation,
Governance and Authority

Gather the fruits, practical next steps –
theological & canon law renewal in prep
for October 2024



The main objective of the first session in October 2023 will be to outline paths of in-depth study to be carried out synodal style. Will need to sort out relevant actors.

A plan that will be completed in the second session in October 2024.



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Participation, Governance, Authority

What processes, structures and
institutions in a missionary synodal
Church?

Participation

Key Ideas

Communion and mission become realities in our world through authentic participation

- an expression of creativity
- a way of nurturing the relationships of hospitality, welcome, human well being

Calls for renewed language and appreciation of the culture of the local church

- Liturgy, preaching, catechesis, sacred art, all forms of communication addressed to the Faithful and the wider public

Authority

Key ideas

- Emerges from integral participation
- Operates differently in a synodal church – is shared
- Not a form of power-over but is rooted in service
- Enables others to grow
- Enables creativity, does not stifle it



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How to build a synodal church?

Changes in attitudes: formation
Changes in structures
Changes in canon law

Questions for Synod participants

B 3.1 How can we **renew the service of authority** and the exercise of responsibility in a missionary synodal Church?

B 3.2 How can we **develop discernment practices** and decision-making processes in an authentically synodal manner, that respects the protagonism of the Spirit?

B 3.3. What **structures can be developed** to strengthen a missionary synodal Church?

B 3.4 How can we **give structure to instances of synodality and collegiality** that involve groupings of local churches?

B 3.5 How can the **institution of the Synod be strengthened** so that it is an expression of episcopal collegiality within an all-synodal Church?

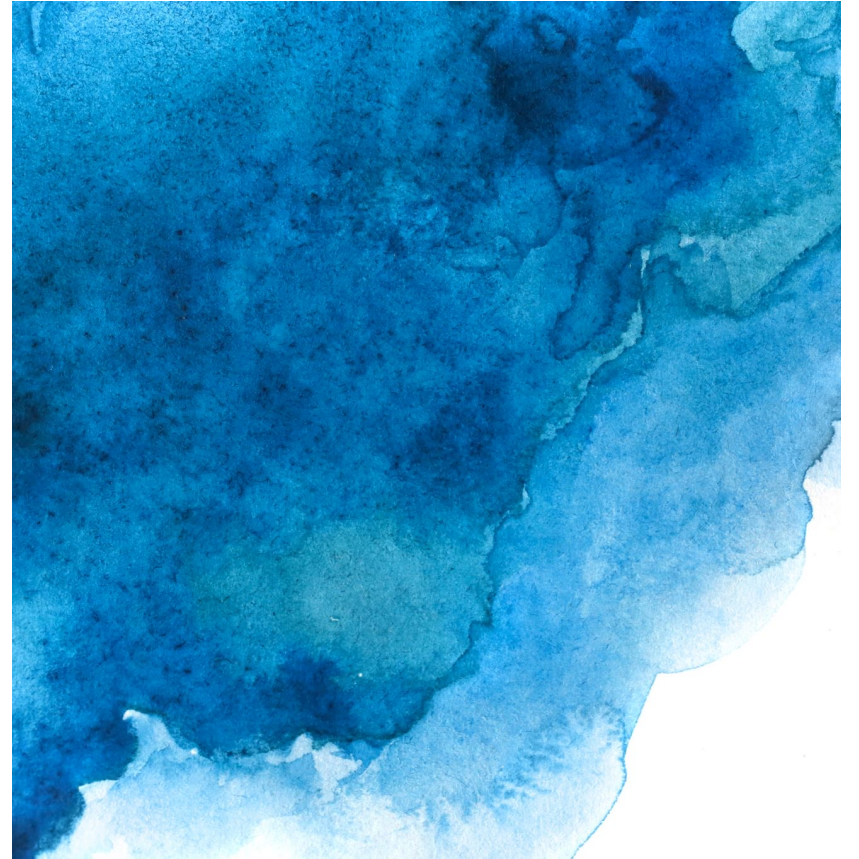
Key tension

Baptism is the foundation for all ministry

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Ordained ministry is different from other ministries

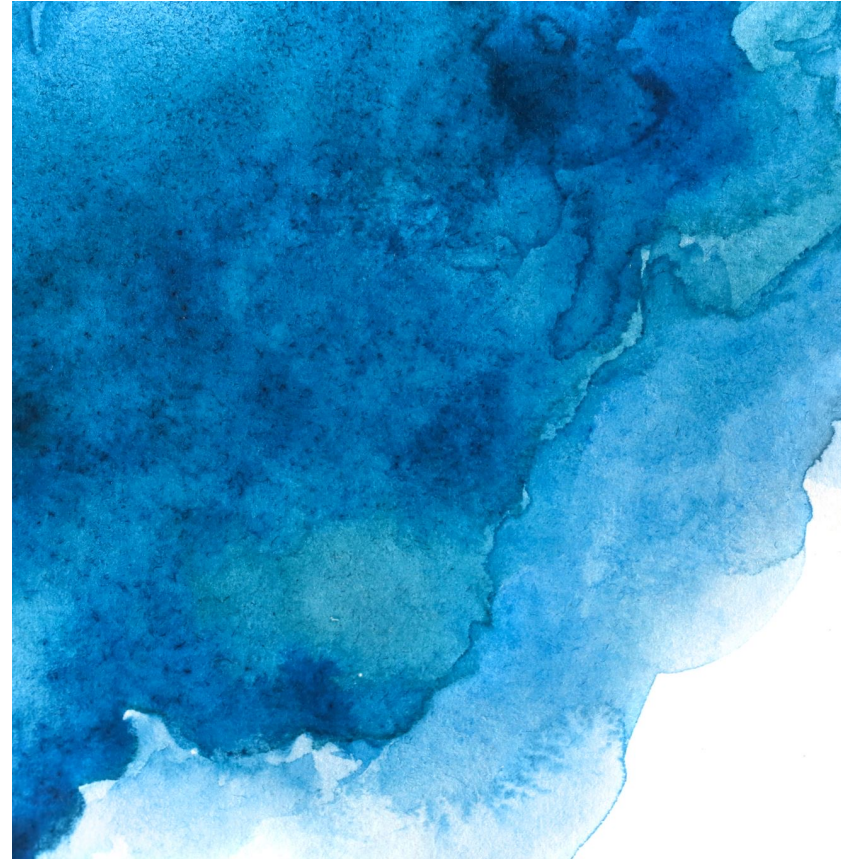
- *Authority in consecrated life, in movements and associations, in Church-related institutions (such as universities, foundations, schools, etc.) is different from that which derives from the Sacrament of Orders.*
- *Spiritual authority linked to a charism is different from that linked to ministerial service.*
- *The differences must be safeguarded*



Key Tension/Emerging synodality

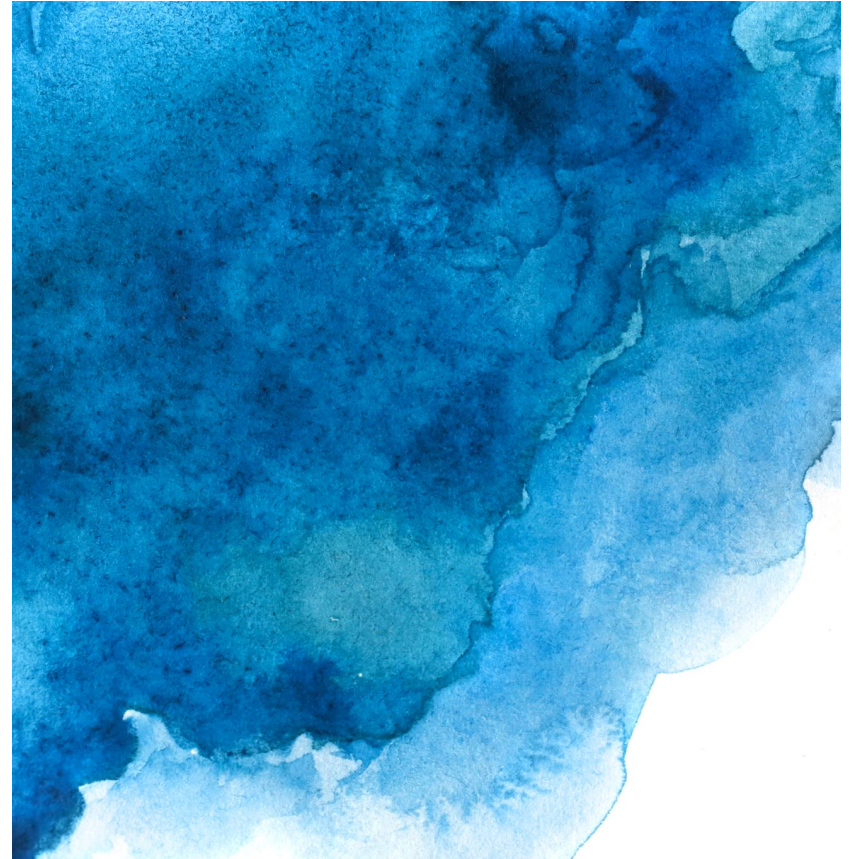
There are emerging examples that show how the tension between ordained ministry and other ministries is being overcome

- the experience of a relevant authority taking a decision within a synodal process made the community more ready to accept its legitimacy
- growing awareness that the lack of healthy exchange within a community weakens the role of authority
- in a region where the number of Priests is very low, ecclesial responsibilities have been entrusted to lay Faithful who exercise them in a constructive and non-oppositional manner.



Key questions: workforce, structures

- How does the shortage of Priests provide an incentive to question the relationship between ordained Ministry, governance and the assumption of responsibilities in the Christian community?
- How can synodality renew existing structures—such as diocesan and Parish Pastoral Councils, Economic Affairs Councils, diocesan or eparchial Synods—or establish new ones?
- What can we learn public institutions, public and civil law, to respond to the need for transparency and accountability (separation of powers, independent supervisory bodies, obligations to make public certain procedures, limits on the duration of appointments, etc.)?



Key questions: Canon law

- What changes in canon law are needed to facilitate synodal discernment?
 - How to rebalance the relationship between the principle of authority (which is strongly affirmed in the current legislation) and the principle of participation?
 - How should canonical structures and pastoral procedures change to foster co-responsibility and transparency?
 - How can Canon Law contribute to the renewal of structures and institutions?
 - How can engagement at the continental level be integrated into Canon Law?