



For a synodal Church  
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# Listening Sessions Guide

## Terminology:

**"Church"** can mean the Archdiocese of Los Angeles or our parish, St. Monica, or community, apostolate, or group.

### **"Journeying Together" means**

- Listening to others on the journey and speaking on what matters to us about our parish/community and the Catholic Church
- Celebrating beautiful and meaningful liturgy (Mass and the Sacraments)
- Going on mission, empowered and equipped to proclaim the Gospel
- Dialoguing with diverse members of our community and Christians of other traditions
- Discerning and deciding through participation in consultative processes
- Growing in synodality through formation in walking together

## Listening Session #1 Thursday, Feb. 10

- How have we **"journeyed together"** as a Church in recent years?
- Reread these experiences in greater depth: What joys do they provoke? What difficulties and obstacles have they encountered? What wounds have they brought to light? What insights have they elicited?
- Prior to Covid, what was your experience of **"journeying together?"** How has it changed since?

## Listening Session #2 Thursday, Feb. 17

- Gather the fruits of our experiences of **"journeying together."** Where, in these experiences, does the voice of the Spirit resound? What is he asking of us?
- What are the points to be confirmed, the prospects for change, the steps to be taken? Where do we register a consensus?
- What paths are opening up for our particular Church?



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