

Diocesan Synod Memo No. 4

Building the Kingdom of God Together – Our Journey

If you would like to receive a copy of this contemplative dialogue process of engaging with our diocesan synod, please contact Jenny Harris on 49791134.

Diocesan Synod Website

All information for our diocesan synod is available on the synod website:
<https://www.domnsynod.com.au/>

31 March - Expression of Interest closes

If you would like to be a delegate or have considered approaching someone to be a delegate, please complete an [Expression of Interest](#) form.

Delegate nominations will close on 31 March.

23 March - Way of the Cross

A recorded presentation of this year's Way of the Cross, featuring students from our schools, parishioners and diocesan groups, has been put together by our very talented Pastoral Ministries and Communication teams. The recording will be available through Dio Update and the Diocese's Website by 23 March.

7 to 8 April – Delegates - Session Two Training

Training will be provided to all delegates on the responsibilities, requirements, and processes of being a delegate prior to being commissioned as a Synod Member.

The training will clarify what is required to be a Member of the Synod and provide details of the processes for Session Two of Synod.

We invite delegates to register for one of the sessions:

- Wednesday 7 April – Online
Each session is repeated from 9.00am to 10.30am / from 6.00pm to 7.30pm.
- Thursday 8 April – Toohey Room
Each session is repeated from 10.00am to 11.30am/ from 6.00pm to 7.30pm.

An email will be sent to delegates to register for the above sessions.

12 April – Submission Feedback Closes

You are encouraged to provide feedback, as you go through the process of contemplative dialogue. Your feedback will assist Bishop Bill and the Synod Working Party in preparation of the second session of Synod.

All feedback needs to be submitted by 12 April, [Synod Submissions](#).

Feedback that has been submitted will soon be available.

13 April to 4 May – Bishop Bill’s Reflection Days

As we move closer to session two of Synod you are invited to listen and contemplate as Bishop Bill reflects on:

- Francis’ vision of our future Church
- Our Australian experience
- What is possible in the future?

The two-hour presentation will include time for questions for dialogue and afternoon tea/supper. This is open to anyone who wishes to attend.

At the beginning of April, delegates will receive a letter of appointment, with details of their commissioning as Synod Members, which will take place at the Mass in between the afternoon and evening sessions of Bishop Bill’s Reflection Days.

We invite participants to register for ONE of the sessions and ONE Mass time.

Tuesday April 13 - Aberdeen

Wednesday April 14 - East Maitland

Thursday April 15 - Charlestown

Tuesday April 20 - Forster

Thursday April 22 - Toronto

Tuesday May 4 - Cathedral House

There will be TWO sessions of the Bishop's Reflection at each of the above locations: 2.30pm to 4.30pm **AND** 6.00pm to 8.00pm.

The appointment and commissioning of Synod Delegates as Synod Members will occur at Mass from 5.00pm - 5.30pm.

Registrations need to be completed for BOTH the Reflection and the Mass.

To register go to: [Bishop Bill's Reflection Days](#)