



# Synod Feedback Form

NAME OF PARISH	NAME OF PASTORAL GROUPING
NARRAGHMORE & MOONE	Athy, Narraghmore & Moone
VENUE OF GATHERINGS	IN PERSON OR ZOOM
St. Joseph's Church, Ballymount, Moone Hall, St. Mary's & St. Laurence's Church, Crookstown, St. Ita's Church Kilmead	In person
NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS (1 <sup>st</sup> Gathering)	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS (2 <sup>nd</sup> Gathering)

## THE JOYS

WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND CONVERGE?	No.	WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND DIVERGE?	No.
Sacraments - the importance that they have in our faith	16	Hope to the people	1
Church gives us hope	3	History of the Church – saints and Shrines	1
Community Involvement/ A community of faith	28	A prevailing Church	1
Peace/ reflection	4	Reflective time	1
Prayer, Mass and Liturgy	9	Pilgrimage – Lourdes	1
Threshold moments- Christmas, Easter, November Mass	8	Return to Faith – catechesis and also return to church after Covid.	1
Volunteers who work in our community	4	General Absolution	1
		Seeing a change from my youth; from a severe to less severe God and church	1

Priests	4	World Youth Day	1
Synodal Process	2	Caring towards each other	1
		Place of comfort	1
		Youth involvement Support	1
		Joy within the Church	1
		Domestic Church	1
		Funeral, Baptisms	1
		Traditions & Music	1
		Music and /liturgy	1
		Young people and new members of the Church	1
		My Catholic faith	1
		A Moral Compass	1
		A new beginning	1

### THE SORROWS

WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND CONVERGE?	No.	WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND DIVERGE?	No.
Decline in vocations	7	Exclusion of some people	1
Role of women	5	Abuse of Sacraments	
Ignorance of the Church	3	Perceived lack of welcome	1
Poor catechesis	2	Garda vetting (being asked to be)	1
Social and Media interference	4	Funerals	
Fear of Church Closure	3	Isolation of lapsed Catholics	1
Sexual abuse and lack of honesty	4	Lack of understanding (acceptance)	1
Lack of ongoing commitment to the church	3	Non listening Church	1
Missing youth	7	Lack of respect	1
Aging clergy	3	Confusion in the Church	1
Celibacy	2	Lonely life of a priest	1
Women Priests	2	Poor presentation of Catholic Teaching	1
Decrease in the number of people and families attending mass	10	No homily	1

Effects of sexual abuse crisis	4	<p>Lack of connection between hierarch and lay people</p> <p>Judgement from piers for going to Mass</p> <p>Lack of planning for the future</p> <p>Perceived exclusion of divorced and LGBTQ+</p> <p>Not enough good and positive coverage of church good practice</p> <p>Hostile media</p> <p>No house visitation</p> <p>Lack of contact between priest and people</p>	<p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p> <p>1</p>
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### THE HOPES

WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND CONVERGE?	No.	WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND DIVERGE?	No.
Synod (Listening Church)	7	Promise of Jesus	1
Community	4	The Fact that it is His Church Connection priest has with his people	2
World Youth Day	2		
Sacraments	3	Receiving the sacrament	1
Volunteers in the Church	3	Lay collaboration	1
Pastoral workers (Youth Focus)	3	Young people involved in ministry	1
Hope in God	5	Pope Francis and his return to a focus on the poor	1
Seeing families in the Church	2		
Residue of faith in all people		Reconnection	1
Hope of faith	5	Hope to keep the church open	1
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Pope Francis - his vision – a hope for the future	2	Connection with young people	1
Goodness of young people		Good leadership	1
Online to respond to Covid 19	2	Even with all the bad press people still are about the Church and God.	1
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Lay leadership in the absence of priest	2	Easter Ceremonies	1

Less rules based Church	2	Witness of Youth	1
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#### THE FEARS

WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND CONVERGE?	No.	WHAT EXPERIENCES ARE NAMED AND DIVERGE?	No.
Closure of Church	16	Lack of Faith	1
Shortage of Priests	10	Effects of Sexual Abuse and people are afraid to stand up for their faith	1
Fear that no priest will be there to give sacraments for the dying	3	Lack of relationship with Jesus Fear of the afterlife	1
Anxious about people getting lazy about their spiritual life	2	Irrelevance of faith and sacraments in people lives	1
Fear of how will the Church nourish the Children's Faith in a way that will be relevant in their lives	3	The Church that our children will grow up in	1
Young people disconnect with the Church	2	Lack of courage to change because of fear of change	1
Church will not embrace change	3	Increasing lack of ability to get the message of Christ across to people	1

		Exclusion in the Church	1
		Lack in vocation	1
		Sexual Abuse	
		Act now to save Church	
		Passing on the Faith	
		Fear of people not realising it's about community	
		Lack of contact with priest	

### REFLECTION QUESTIONS

#### WHAT THEMES ARE EMERGING FROM THE GATHERING?

#### WHAT MIGHT THE HOLY SPIRIT BE INDICATING IN THIS?

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