Resources

Leadership Roundtable - Process for Facilitating Synodal Consultations

https://leadershiproundtable.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/Process-for-Facilitating-Synodal-Consultations Oct-2021 FINAL.pdf

Zoom Tutorials

How to Host a Zoom Call for the First Time - Fun and Easy Online Connection - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hI32Xk2Va7M

Zoom on Your Phone: Joining with Zoom iPhone App (2021)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VIRBixXSjOc

Using Zoom Breakout Rooms (2020) – Beginner Zoom Tutorial

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WFVRxBH4ehU

Virtual Listening Shared Norms

- We encourage everyone to be on camera to build community
- You need to be present and visible. No blank screens or pictures of yourself.
- First names only on screen
- Once the presentation starts, we recommend using speaker view instead of gallery view.
- Chat box should be reserved for asking questions
- If you are having any technical issues, private message the volunteer tech coordinator of the session.

Listening Session: Participant Ground Rules - Respectful Communication Guidelines - USCCB

- R: take **RESPONSIBILITY** for what you say and feel, and speak with words others can hear and understand
- E: use **EMPATHETIC** listening, not just words but also feelings being expressed, non-verbal language including silence
- S: be **SENSITIVE** to differences in communication styles
- P: PONDER on what you hear and feel before you speak
- E: **EXAMINE** your own assumptions and perceptions
- C: keep CONFIDENTIALITY
- T: TRUST the process because we are not here to debate who is right or wrong but to experience true dialogue.

Revised Questions for the Listening Session

Small Group Session 1:

- Where and how do you personally experience Church today? Describe your personal experience
- What joys do you experience?
- What difficulties and obstacles have you encountered?
- What insights do you have?

Small Group Session 2:

- What is your dream or vision for our church in the future?
- Are there any aspects of the Church's evangelizing mission that you would like to see?
- How do you value the Church's social mission to care for the poor and marginalized, as well as its efforts to address poverty and social change?