

# THE BIG QUESTION

HOW DO CATHOLICS 'JOURNEY TOGETHER'?  
HOW MIGHT WE DO IT BETTER?



## CHOOSE A THEME

Pick one of the ten themes to help your reflection on the Big Question

## THE PROCESS

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### SILENT REFLECTION

Take time for prayerful reflection.

### FIRST ROUND

Give time for everyone to share the fruit of their reflection. All take a turn to speak while the rest of the group listens. Do not rush the process.

### SILENT REFLECTION

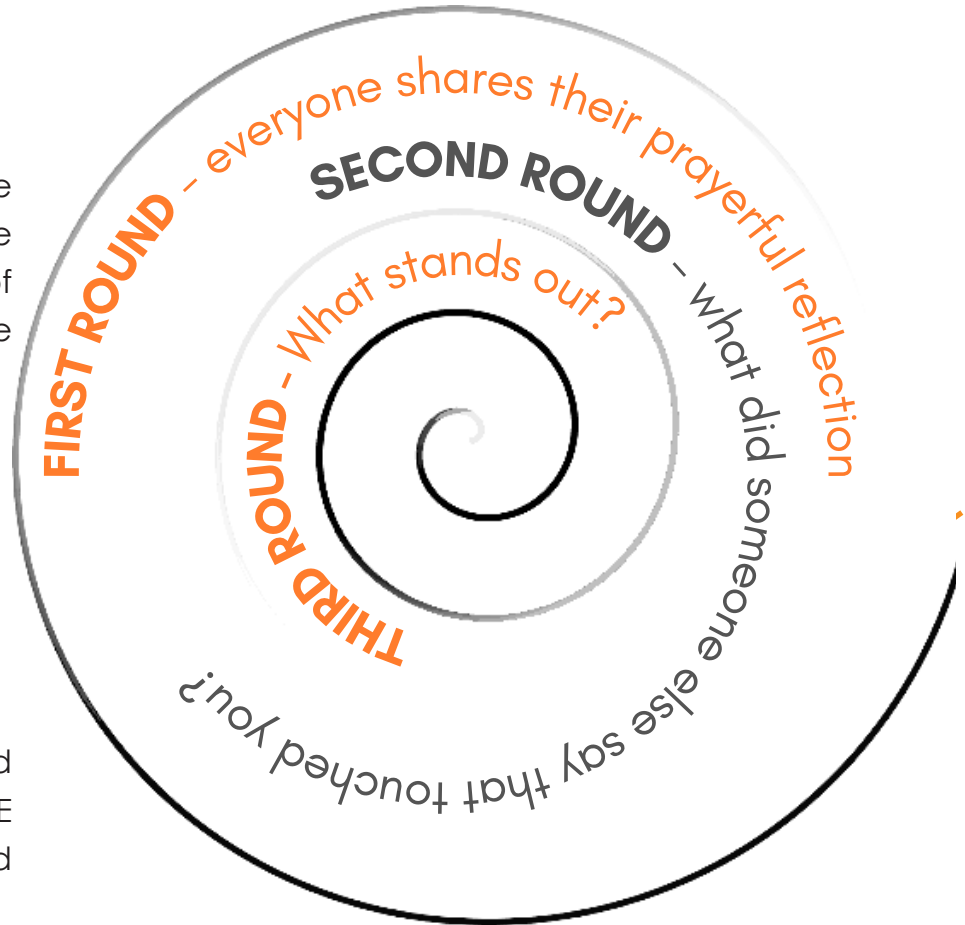
Allow another time of silence for people to reflect on what they have just heard.

### SECOND ROUND

Everyone is invited to share a word or a thought that **SOMEONE ELSE HAS SHARED** which has touched them.

### THIRD ROUND

Together, the members of the group look at what has stood out. What is the essence of the sharing that has taken place?



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## NEED HELP?

The Church Mission Team is here to help, so please do contact us if you need support with running the Synod process in your community. We would love to hear from you!

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# HOW YOU CAN RESPOND

Input to the participation process is welcome from both individuals and from groups. Your response can cover all the themes, just one theme or a selection of them. The questions accompanying each of the themes can be used as a starting point or helpful guideline. Your response to the theme should not be limited by the questions.

## There are multiple ways you can respond:

**ONLINE:** Visit [www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/archdiocesan-synod](http://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/archdiocesan-synod) and follow the link to the Survey. Alternatively you can follow this link directly: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AotearoaSynod1>

**E-MAIL:** Download the Word document “**Synod participation response**” from the Archdiocesan website. To do this go to [www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/archdiocesan-synod/](http://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/archdiocesan-synod/). Parish Offices are also able to provide the Word document. Email your response **in Word format** to [synod@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:synod@wn.catholic.org.nz).

**POSTAL RESPONSE:** Post your responses to:

Office of the Archbishop, Archdiocese of Wellington.  
PO Box 1937, Wellington 6140.

**VERBAL RESPONSE:** if there are reasons why you find it difficult to make a written response you are welcome to ring us to see if it is possible to provide a verbal response. Call 04 496 1715 / 04 496 1706.

