



Participants in the assembly of the Synod of Bishops gather in the Paul VI Audience Hall at the Vatican before the first working session of the assembly of the Synod of Bishops Oct. 4. (CNS/Lola Gomez)



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As the Synod on Synodality is taking place in Rome, Global Sisters Report, in conjunction with National Catholic Reporter, is offering this resource page as an easy one-stop place to find information about this historic event.

As with the rest of Catholics, women religious have a lot at stake and have already invested a great deal into this process. Thousands of sisters have offered their thoughts, ideas, hopes and dreams through their congregations, parishes and individually for a more "synodal" church, one that is more responsive to the vast and multicultural people that it serves. Some of the key issues being considered — women deacons and the inclusion of LGBTQ Catholics — are ones that Catholic sisters have championed for years. After all, it was during an audience with Pope Francis at the 2016 International Union of Superiors General plenary that the question was raised of women being able to become deacons.

We provide links below to coverage by National Catholic Reporter and Global Sisters Report, to the list of sisters who are participating as voting members, facilitators or in other roles, as well as other useful sources. Keep an eye on this space for the latest in synod updates, news and feature stories, podcasts and interviews. If you have a suggestion of something we should include, please email us at info@globalsistersreport.org.

Global Sisters Report/National Catholic Reporter coverage: Synod on Synodality

NCR's weekly synod podcast: The Vatican Briefing

List of sister participants in the synod: Sisters involved in synod on synodality

Official synod on synodality resources: Synod schedule, List of synod participants

Other resources: <u>Vatican News</u>, <u>Vatican Media Live</u>

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