Synodal Process:

I. WELCOME
   A. Request all cameras on
   B. Share Names and a little History
   C. Self-care time
   D. Can post on chat at any time during this process

II. PROCESS
   A. What it is....and is not
   B. Communication Guidelines
   C. Synodality: Pope Francis
   D. The Journey: Communion – Participation – Mission
      1. How is our journeying together happening at different levels?
2. What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow as a Church that journeys together?

3. DISCERN: we are called to LISTEN to each other to hear what the SPIRIT is saying

4. PARTICIPATE and SHARE: Become beacons of HOPE, not doom

5. DREAM: about the Church we are called to be

6. LISTEN: to scripture, tradition, and one another

7. BEGIN: together to learn how God is calling us to be Church in the third millennium
8. OBJECTIVE: NOT to create another document, but to share an experience of synodality in our diocese; to re-orient the local Church toward an attitude of a decision-making process

E. Pray – Reflect - Share & Listen Think

The listening and discernment experience

Locally – Give Thanks – Respond

III. Let’s Gather and Pray
   A. Prayer to the Holy Spirit
   B. The Examen with Reflection
IV. Share and Listen
   A. Process explanation
      1. What are the fruits of your individual prayer, how are you feeling?
      2. What have you heard the Spirit saying in the voices of the group?
      3. What seems to be consistent in the group conversation and what is the Spirit asking of us?

V. Think Locally
   A. Questions:
      1. What concrete, practical steps could be taken to move forward together as Church?
      2. To what actions do we feel strongly called? In our personal
life? In our community? As a diocese?

3. What is the most loving response to which the Spirit is calling us?

B. Actions:
1. Clear, stated as a positive
2. As specific as possible
3. A real action: practical, achievable, and measurable

VI. Let us Give Thanks

A. Reflect on how you are feeling
   1. Reflect and pray individually on the actions the group has identified.
   2. Ask God for a feeling of Peace in your heart about the decisions we made as a group; discuss.

B. Let Us Give Thanks!