



Friday 10 July 2026

Regional Synod Consultation Sessions | July and August 2026

Dear Parish Priests and Administrators,

As shared in the email communication on Wednesday 8 July, Synod Consultation sessions will be held in each region of the Archdiocese in the next month. Today we wish to provide additional details on the sessions and registration links.

I warmly invite you as Parish Priest for **each canonical parish to nominate two representatives** to participate in your regional Synod Consultation Session, with **at least one representative being a lay person**.

Archbishop Peter A Comensoli will host these gatherings which will be an important opportunity to prayerfully listen, discern and contribute to the Archbishop's consultation with the People of God across the Archdiocese. While every local community of faith is strongly encouraged to engage in consultation locally, the regional consultation sessions will bring together people from different communities across the region to listen to one another, strengthen awareness and engagement of the Synod as a local Church, and foster a shared commitment to our missionary future.

We encourage you to prayerfully select representatives who will participate actively in the conversation and bring back the fruits of the consultation to your parish community.

In each consultation session, parish representatives will have the opportunity to be engaged in the consultation through spiritual conversation with a table made up of other parish representatives from the same region on a single Archdiocesan Synod theme. *Each representative will need to select their preferred allocated theme, as part of the registration process.*

The conversations will be based on the Synod theme papers: [Missionary Leadership](#), [Formation and Participation](#), and Young Discipleship. The Missionary Leadership, and the Formation and Participation papers have been released. The Young Discipleship theme paper will be published in the coming week. *Participants will need to select and read one thematic paper prior to attending the consultation session.*

The details for each regional session are listed below.

Saturday 25 July 2026

<u>Northern Region</u>	<u>Western Region</u>
Mantra Melbourne Epping 250 Cooper St, Epping 9.00am Registration and Morning Tea 9.30am Session commences Register: https://www.trybooking.com/DNEWW	Holiday Inn Werribee 22 Synnot St, Werribee 1.30pm Registration and Morning Tea 2.00pm Session commences Register: https://www.trybooking.com/DNFFS

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Saturday 8 August 2026

<u>Southern Region</u> Dandenong Club 1579 Heatherton Rd, Dandenong 9.00am Registration and Morning Tea 9.30am Session commences Register: https://www.trybooking.com/DNBUU	<u>Eastern Region</u> Manningham Hotel 1 Thompsons Rd, Bulleen 1.30pm Registration and Morning Tea 2.00pm Session commences Register: https://www.trybooking.com/DNCGL
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To assist with registration please find a few tips:

- Each region has a unique booking link, as you must select your parish name as part of the registration process.
- Once two people have registered from a parish, no further registrations will be possible for that parish.
- Parish representatives can only be registered for the region in which their parish is located.
- Please register both parish representatives at the same time and ensure both individuals have been confirmed as your parish's representatives before registering. Should you need to change an already registered individual (due to illness or change in availability to attend) please contact us directly.
- During the registration process, you will be required to select **one** of the three Synod themes for each representative to participate in during the consultation sessions. Please confirm your selections before registering. Questions or need help with registration? Please contact Suzanne Hermon to assist: proclaim@cam.org.au or 9926 5761.

Thank you for your engagement and support of the Archdiocesan Synod consultations sessions. We look forward to welcoming your parish representatives to the sessions in the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely,

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