

## ST PATRICKS CHURCH HILL

### SYNODAL GATHERINGS – IN THE CRYPT AND BY ZOOM

As you are aware, we are in transition – the Marists will be leaving St Patricks on 31 December 2025. A new group of priests will be ministering here after that. This is a special time for us to walk together and listen to what the Spirit is asking of us all. So, we are organizing a series of **Synodal Gatherings**.

Our focus in those Gatherings will not be the exiting of the Marists. Nor the organizational consequences of that exit. Our focus will be **the continuing presence and guidance of God and what God is asking of us at this time**.

In the **Synodal Gatherings**, we will take up the **Word of God**. Together we will **listen** to that Word. We will **listen** to each other. We will take Mary as our guide: “You see before you the Lord’s servant. Let it happen according to your word!” (Luke 1:38).

You can participate in these **Synodal Gatherings**, either **face-to-face** and/or on **Zoom** as follows:

- **FACE-TO-FACE IN THE CRYPT:** There will be **two monthly facilitated Synodal Gatherings in the crypt** on the **second Sundays of each month at 10 am and 11 am**.
- The first Synodal Gatherings in the crypt will be on **Sunday 21 April at 10 am and 11 am**. **These Gatherings will be facilitated by Br Ian Cribb SJ and will model the process we will follow in the subsequent Gatherings. You do not need to register for the face-to-face Gatherings.**
- **BY ZOOM:** There will be **facilitated Gatherings by Zoom in the same weeks as the face to face Gatherings**. **Register online** (and identify your preferred days/times). Instructions will be on the web site.

The facilitators of these Gatherings will be those who have been guiding our transition since the Archbishop made his public announcement on 21 August 2022, that the Marists would be relinquishing the entrustment of the Parish of St Patricks on 31 December 2025 – **Paul Bullen, Sr Therese Carroll RSJ and Br Ian Cribb SJ**.

Fr Michael Whelan SM, Parish Priest  
Palm Sunday 24 March 2024

## **ST PATRICKS SYNODAL GATHERINGS IN THE CRYPT**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays of the month**

**May-November 2024 and February-October 2025**

**10am-10.50am and 11am-11.50am**

### **2024**

**April 2024 – Sunday 21**  
**Introduction to the process**  
**with Br Ian Cribb SJ**

May 2024 – Sunday 12<sup>TH</sup>

June 2024 – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>

July 2024 – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>

August 2024 – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>

September 2024 – Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>

October 2024 – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>

November 2024 Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>

### **2025**

February 2025 – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>

March 2025 – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>

April 2025 – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>

May 2025 – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>

June 2025 – Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>

July 2025 – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>

August 2025 – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>

September 2025 – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>

October 2025 – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>

## **ST PATRICKS SYNODAL GATHERINGS ON ZOOM**

**The dates and times of the Zoom Gatherings  
will be determined on the basis of expressions of interest.**

**Go to the web site and fill out the registration form.**

**We would like as many as possible to participate!**