

***Catholic Parishes of Blackmore Park (Our Blessed Lady and St Alphonsus),
Little Malvern (St Wulstan's), Malvern (St Joseph's) and Upton (St Joseph's)***



With the Synod 2021 - 2023 we are being invited to engage more deeply with our journey in faith. In particular, we are being encouraged to review our own pilgrim journey and to realise that the Holy Spirit is guiding us on this journey as part of the whole Church on a local, diocesan, national and universal level. This means sharing our pilgrimage with the people we sit with in Church or join with online - and those who do not join us on Sundays.

Sharing the journey means **listening** to each other, **sharing** prayer and Scripture, **supporting** each other and **celebrating** together and moving forward together as **pilgrims** and **missionaries**.

As a first step, you are invited to complete the attached questionnaire completely anonymously. The questions are designed hopefully to encourage you to explore where you are on your faith journey and to provide a basis for you to share your thoughts and experiences of Church with your fellow-pilgrims.

If you feel able to hand the completed questionnaire in to your Parish anonymously, it would be very helpful, as it would provide a basis for your Parish to discern the sense of faith in the Parish and be a starting point for the submissions from the Parishes to the Archdiocese as part of the synodal process.

The important thing, however, is for you to listen to the Spirit and reflect on your own faith journey so that you can better share your experiences, your hopes and your fears with your family, friends and fellow-parishioners.

The Parishes will be arranging series of meetings where we can continue the process by praying together for guidance and you can ask any questions you have about the synodal process and engage in dialogue with those around you.