

March 20, 2022

Dear Parishioners,

A couple of weeks ago I spoke at all the Masses about the Worldwide Synod that Pope Francis has called to invite all people to express themselves, and be involved in the life of the church, the Body of Christ. This Synod process of listening to and sharing with each other filters its way to each country, to each diocese, to each parish. During the month of February parish leaders, clergy, and facilitators have been trained in a process for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Here are a couple of ways you can be involved, and your voices heard.

First -- The Disciple Maker Index is an inventory you can complete (separate from the Synod but offered by the Archdiocese) to get a picture of the faith life of St. Luke Parish and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. See our website, Flocknotes, and parish bulletin (page 7) about how to participate.

Second -- Synod Listening Sessions are being planned for parishioners to gather and share their experience of the church and our parish during the month of April. (See page 7 for further details.)

Your involvement in the life of St. Luke Parish is evident to anyone who visits us or knows us. This is a chance to share it and celebrate it with others.

We continue our journey through Lent for the Third Week. Have you taken any time for your own spiritual life and growth? It's not too late to start this week. We have much going on in the parish and I, again, invite you to participate. Also, it's important to try to slow down in order to be more in touch with God in your life.

Thank you, again, for all your love and support of St. Luke's. Continue your prayers for the people of Ukraine and for world peace. Be assured of my prayers for you, as I depend on yours.

St. Luke, pray for us.

*Father Joe Brandt*