**INTERCESSIONS FOR THE OPENING OF THE**

**SYNOD ON SYNODALITY**

**The Weekend of October 17, 2021**

**FOR ALL PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE OF CHARLESTON**

1. For our Holy Father, Pope Francis, may he continue to listen to the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, as he continues to lead the Church especially with regard to the Synod on Synodality…let us pray to the Lord.

R.  Lord, hear our prayer.

1. For the leaders of the church who have direct responsibility for promoting, implementing, and evaluating the data which will come forth from the 2023 Synod on Synodality.  Let us pray to the Lord.

R.  Lord, hear our prayer

1. For the lay vocation, that all will take seriously their baptismal call to respond to the needs of the church especially in the Listening Sessions and Questionnaire that will be offered to all in the diocese…Let us pray to the Lord.

R.  Lord, hear our prayer.

1. For leaders of governments and institutions, that they may always consider the worth and dignity of all their people, especially the most vulnerable:  the unborn,

the elderly, the prisoner and single mothers.  Let us pray to the Lord.

R.  Lord, here our prayer.

1. For the needs of the poor and vulnerable (mention any particular news item or group here), that we may respond to our gracious and loving God directing our efforts in helping them…Let us pray to the Lord.

R.  Lord, here our prayer.

1. For those who have died and who will die this day, that they may experience life with the risen Lord and that their families will be supported by the church.  Let us pray to the Lord.

R.  Lord hear our prayer.

Feel free to add any other petitions for your parish.