



Fourth Synodal Assembly

8 - 10 September 2022
Congress Center Messe Frankfurt

Programme

Thursday, 8 September 2022

- 2:00pm Opening (Agenda item 1)
Start - Opening Word service
Report of the Synodal Committee
Report of the WG Community of responsibility (Agenda item 7.3.)
Debate on the current situation
- 3:30pm Second reading
- Foundational text “Life in succeeding relationships
- The principles of renewed sexual ethics” (Agenda item 5.1.)
- 4:55pm Pause
- 5:00pm Break
- 5:30pm Second reading
- Foundational text “Women in ministries and offices in the Church” (Agenda item 4.1.)
- Foundational text “Priestly existence today” (Agenda item 3.1.)
- 8:15pm Pause
- 8:30pm Dinner
End of the evening

Friday, 9 September 2022

9:00am Pause

9:15am Reports

- Examination and investigation of sexual abuse (Agenda item 6.1.)

Second reading

- Implementation text “A re-evaluation of homosexuality in the Magisterium” (Agenda item 5.2)
- Implementation text “Basic order of Church Service” (Agenda item 5.3.)

11:45am Break

12:00 Celebration of the Eucharist

1:00pm Lunch

2:00pm Feedback observers (Agenda item 7.1.)

Reports

- Criminal and administrative jurisdiction (Agenda item 6.2.)

Second Reading

- Implementation text “Presence and leadership
- Women in the Church and in theology” (Agenda item 4.2.)
- Implementation text “Celibacy of priests - encouragement and opening” (Agenda item 3.2.)

4:40pm Pause

4:45pm Break

5:15pm Second reading

- Implementation text “Sustainable strengthening of synodality: A synodal council for the Catholic Church in Germany” (Agenda item 2.1.)
- Implementation text “Joint consultation and decision-making” (Agenda item 2.2.)

First reading

- Implementation text “Fundamental rights of the faithful in the Church” (Agenda item 2.3.)

8:15pm Pause

8:30pm Dinner

End of the evening

Saturday, 10 September 2022

9:00am Pause

9:15am First reading

- Implementation text “Proclamation of the Gospel by women in word and sacrament” (Agenda item 4.3.)
- Implementation text “Dealing with gender diversity” (Agenda item 5.4)

Guideline

for gender-sensitive language in decisions of the Synodal Path (Agenda item 7.3)

11:55am Pause

12:00 Lunch

1:00pm First reading

- Implementation text “Breaking with taboos and normalisation - votes on the situation of non-heterosexual priests” (Agenda item 3.3.)
- Implementation text “Measures against abuse of women in the Church” (Agenda item 4.4)

3:00pm Closing words

3:15pm Pause before departure

3:30pm End of the Synodal assembly - Food for the return journey will be provided