

St Frances of Rome Listening Session Feedback			
Trust	Social Justice	Acceptance	Communications
We don't believe some of the doctrine vs scientific facts, and don't understand why the Church isn't looking closer at science and using facts to support doctrine, or revise it where the facts are clear, and use those facts to connect with people and educate them.	The marginalized need to be helped and we should work with other faiths more to do this.	The marginalized cry out for acceptance but the Church doesn't welcome them fully into celebrating the Eucharist or make them feel as though we want them here. Examples of those who may feel excluded or harshly judged are the LGBTQ+ Community, Homeless, Divorced, and the Outcasts of Society.	There is no place for an exchange of Dialog
Indoctrination vs Education	We need to interact with others and parishes not like ourselves. This includes interfaith groups.	The Church as an institution has gone away from Christ's message of love and acceptance of <b>EVERYONE</b> .	Need to gather more face to face to share information, and be in the know about what's going on in the parish.
Conflict isn't dealt with and doesn't get followed up on or properly resolved. This is true at higher levels as well as some parish conflicts between pastors and parishioners that are not addressed, responded to, or resolved by the Archdiocese.	The Church needs to reach out to those who are hurting and feeling left behind and welcome them into the Church.	The Church judges and then excludes. It should focus on the two most important commandments from Christ and not be so arrogant.	Explain the "why" more often around what the rules are. This applies both within the Church from a doctrinal standpoint, as well as at the parish level when we have to suspend activities or understand changes in procedures.
The Church resists change.	Jesus went to the outcasts and downtrodden. We should be doing the same thing.	All who want to receive the Eucharist should be allowed to. Not just those deemed worthy by the Church.	Homilies have the best connection with parishioners when they have a personal message that relates real life with the message of the gospels. It also humanizes the priests and helps the parish connect on a personal level with them.
The Church has hidden or covered up scandals or issues in the past. As a result, the Church needs to repair its public image.	Find ways to make people with disabilities feel more comfortable participating in the Mass.	Allow women to fully participate in the Church as deacons and priests.	Need a clear way to dialog and communicate with the Church at higher levels than the parish.

<p>Clergy is not responsive to the needs of others. It feels like service to the "flock" can be based on a "Pray, Pay, or Play" mentality.</p>	<p>We need to put the Beatitudes in action in our daily lives and in the church's mission.</p>	<p>Allow priests to marry if they wish to.</p>	<p>Need an easier way to communicate with the Parish Council. and to understand what they do and what's going on. Several suggestions here for name tags or coffee and donuts after Mass, or other gathering opportunities that would allow for interaction with the Parish Council and with the Pastor.</p>
<p>It can feel like "willful ignorance" coming from the Church when it comes to listening to the people, and it is disempowering.</p>	<p>The church should find ways to enable and involve our youth in Social Justice issues.</p>	<p>The Church uses humiliation tactics to get people to conform by withholding sacraments from those judged unworthy. They should love people well and not make them feel worthless.</p>	<p>Branch out beyond the same usual people that help in ministries and for Mass to encourage more ownership from the parishioners.</p>
<p>The Church needs to remember that a lot of current doctrine is a result of man made decisions, and man is fallible.</p>	<p>Does St Frances of Rome listen to the feedback from the Social Justice committee. Dialog does not gain traction to the powers that be (are leadership's minds already made up?)</p>	<p>Learn how to respond to differences.</p>	<p>Share with the parish what different parish organizations do and how parish staff supports those groups.</p>
<p>There is a lack of trust that the Church will actually listen and act on the feedback given in the Synod process.</p>		<p>Be less quick to anger and strive to understand. Don't immediately try to go on the defense.</p>	<p>Listen to others with different experiences.</p>
		<p>We are supposed to be ONE UNIVERSAL CHURCH, inclusive of everyone who wants to be a part of Christ, but we don't act like it.</p>	<p>Communicate using the methods of our audience. Go meet your audience (youth, young adults, parents, seniors) where they are, and speak to them in a way that they understand and can relate to.</p>
		<p>Empty the Church of prejudices</p>	<p>Eliminate silos present within different groups in the parish. This could mean social groups, Mass time groups, or any other groups that may be unintentionally creating perceived barriers to sharing information.</p>

		have an open mind and heart with others.	Would like better communication on what UCHM does (supports). what is their role in Community Outreach.
		We should offer more regular confession times.	
		Does the Archdiocese have an interfaith group or panel?	
		We need to highlight and recognize the youth's activities and achievements.	