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For a synodal Church

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We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance
lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity so that we may
journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the
Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.



This prayer is attributed to St. Isidore of Seville (560–636) and has been traditionally used at Councils and Synods for hundreds of years. The version below was specifically designed for the worldwide Church's Synodal journey from 2021 to 2023.