

## Sobor 2020

In 2020, the Patriarchal Assembly-Sobor will gather for its VII session in Lviv, Ukraine, August 26-29. The theme of this Assembly-Sobor is “Emigration, settlements and the global unity of the Ukrainian-Greek Catholic Church.” The main motto is: “The Church is with you always and everywhere.” In order to prepare for this Assembly-Sobor, all Eparchies are required to hold their own Sobor.

With respect to the guidelines set for the Sobor 2020 on April 4<sup>th</sup>, we would like to encourage all of our faithful parishioners to review the topics that we are asked to address on behalf of our parish. Delegates will be presenting comments and concerns at the Sobor. *Note that anyone is invited to come as an observer.* The main topics of discussion at this Sobor will be:

- 1) Migration, Immigration & Settlement
- 2) Missionary Discipleship and Evangelization
- 3) Unity of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church
  - a) Prioritize our Eparchy’s strengths and weaknesses
  - b) Prioritize the needs of the faithful and how to meet those needs.
  - c) Prioritize our Eparchy’s opportunities and challenges in the areas of immigration, migration, settlements and unity at the deanery, district and parish levels.
  - d) Prioritize how to re-engage faithful who seldom participate in our parish communities.

**Comments on topics listed above can be added to the back of this page.**

1. Discussions at the Pastoral/District level on the Sobor topics and registration of participants must be completed by **March 20<sup>th</sup>**, responding to the following aspects:

**1 Identify the strengths and weaknesses of the Parish/ District/ Eparchy** with respect to immigration, migration, settlement and unity at the deanery, district and parish levels;

1. Financial (Labour; Tax) Education
2. Health (benefits) Education
3. Faith (sacraments; catechesis; membership; pastoral care)
4. Living (housing; food; clothing; transportation; school)
5. Other

**ii. Strengths**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**iii. Weaknesses**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

**2 Identify only 2 proposals about how to improve on our number 1 strength above;**

- i.
- ii.

**3 Suggest 2 ways we can re-engage faithful who rarely participate in our parish communities.**

- i.
- ii.

**Please consider commenting on any or all of the topics. This form can be left on the desk in church entrance or passed to Dcn. Harrold, Rosalee Chubak (EPC). We are hoping to address this at the AGM.**