

# Bishops of the Archeparchy of Philadelphia participated in the Synod of Bishops of the UGCC

On September 28-29, the final third and fourth sessions of the Synod of Bishops of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church in 2021 took place. These two sessions, as all synodal activities, were held online due to quarantine restrictions imposed by governments in the fight against the Covid-19.



Metropolitan Borys Gudziak, Auxiliary Bishop Andriy Rabi, and Metropolitan Emeritus Stefan Soroka participated in the session.

The bishops reviewed the Reports of the various foundations of the UGCC, approved several documents, and adopted the text of a post-synodal message on the pastoral planning of the UGCC. The text was elaborated based on the resolutions of the Synodal

Group headed by Bishop Borys Gudziak which developed the framework for pastoral plan for the period up to 2030.

This year, the Synod of Bishops of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church took place online in six stages: four synodal sessions and two phases of regional meetings. Bishops - members of the Synod of Bishops of the UGCC from Ukraine and other countries: Canada, the USA, Poland, Brazil, Argentina, Australia, Great Britain, France, Germany and Italy took part in the synodal meetings.

It was decided to hold the next Synod of the Ukrainian Catholic Bishops in July 2022 in Kyiv. Its main theme is “Synodality and unity: experience of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church.”