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## Looking for Vatican's poll questions on family issues? Here's a link

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Synod on the Family

We've received many requests for a link to the Vatican's questionnaire on church teachings on contraception, same-sex marriage and divorce. The poll, sent to national bishops' conferences globally in preparation for a Vatican synod on the family next October, is the first time the church's central hierarchy has asked for such input from grass-roots Catholics since at least the establishment of the synod system following the Second Vatican Council.

The upcoming synod is to be held Oct. 5-19, 2014, on the theme "Pastoral Challenges of the family in the context of evangelization." The questionnaire was sent Oct. 18 from Archbishop Lorenzo Baldisseri, secretary general of the Vatican's Synod of Bishops, to the presidents of the world's individual bishops' conferences.

Here is a link to Baldisseri's letter, another from Msgr. Ronny Jenkins, the general secretary of the U.S. bishops' conference, and the questionnaire.

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