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Holy See Press Office Communiqué on the Meeting of the Council of Cardinals

The Council of Cardinals met on the days 26 and 27 June. Together with the Holy Father, all the member Cardinals and the Secretary of the Council took part.

During the session, with the collaboration of Cardinal Gianfranco Ghirlanda, the first steps were taken in the reflection on how to implement the spirit, principles and criteria of the Apostolic Constitution *Praedicate evangelium* in the diocesan curias.

The topic of synodality, with reference to the ongoing Synod, was the subject of discussion, with an update on the steps taken in recent months provided by Cardinal Mario Grech, in view of the October Assembly.

Cardinal O'Malley gave information about the recent Plenary Session of the Commission for the Protection of Minors in May, and the work of the Commission to update regulations and practices throughout the Church, to ensure that child protection mechanisms are effective in every diocese.

The ongoing conflict in Ukraine was the subject of reflection.

The next session will be held in December this year.