

Synod President Cardinal John Tong Hon of Hong Kong (front, left) arrives for the Synod session with Bishop Martin Su Yao-wen of Taichung, the only representative of the Taiwan bishops' conference. (Photo credit: Annie Lam/Holy Spirit Study Center, Hong Kong Diocese)



Cardinal Oswald Gracias of Mumbai (right), Secretary General of the Federation of Asian Bishops' Conferences (<a href="www.fabc.org">www.fabc.org</a>) heads to the synod session with Cardinal George Alencherry of the Syro-Malabar Church, an Eastern Syrian Rite in full communion with the Catholic Church. Cardinal Gracias is one of two Asian bishops Pope Benedict has appointed as Synod Father. The other is Archbishop Luis Antonion Tagle of Manila, Chairman of the FABC's Office of Theological Concerns (Photo credit: Annie Lam/Holy Spirit Study Center, Hong Kong Diocese)



Synod President Cardinal John Tong Hon of Hong Kong (2nd from right) with Pope Benedict XVI and his two other appointed Synod Presidents Cardinal Francisco Robles Ortega of Guadalajara, Mexico and Cardinal Laurent Monsengwo Pasinaya of Kinshasa in the Democratic Republic of Congo (extreme left). (Photo credit: Annie Lam/Holy Spirit Study Center, Hong Kong Diocese)



Archbishop Luis Antonio Tagle of Manila, Philippines (smiling) is one of two Asian bishops Pope Benedict XVI has appointed as Synod Father. Archbishop Tagle is Chairman of the Federation of Asian Bishops' Conferences' Office of Theological Concerns [http://www.fabc.org/offices/otc/otc.html] (Photo credit: Annie Lam/Holy Spirit Study Center, Hong Kong Diocese)