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Cardinal Mario Grech, secretary-general of the synod, delivers his homily during Mass with synod participants at the Altar of the Chair in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican Oct. 21. (CNS/Lola Gomez)



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