

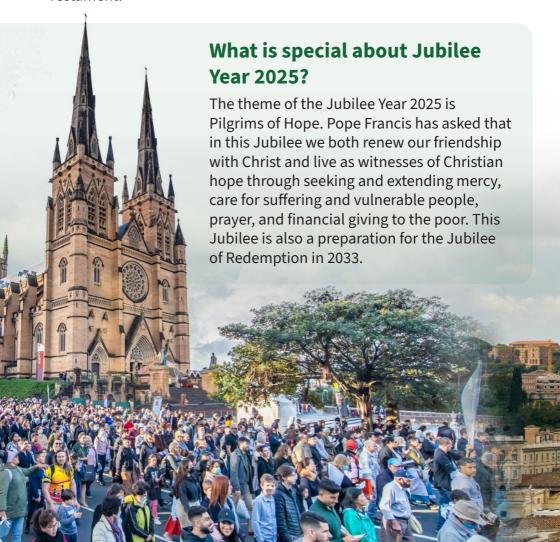
12 PILGRIM CHURCHES CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney
St Patrick's Church, Church Hill
The Shrine of St Mary of the Cross, North Sydney
The Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Waterloo
St Brigid's Church, Coogee
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, Randwick
The Shrine of St Anne, Bondi Beach
All Saints Catholic Church, Liverpool
Holy Spirit Church, Carnes Hill
St Joachim's Church, Lidcombe
St Brigid's Church, Marrickville
St Catherine Labouré Church, Gymea



What is Jubilee Year?

The Jubilee Year is a special time of grace. The Catholic Church ordinarily celebrates it every 25 years, although due to special occasions an extraordinary Jubilee Year can be celebrated. The last extraordinary Jubilee Year was celebrated in 2015 as the Jubilee of Mercy, the last ordinary Jubilee Year was in 2000. The tradition of holding Jubilee Years is a biblical one and goes back to the Old Testament.



What privileges are assigned to a Jubilee Year?

Every Jubilee Year is a great opportunity for renewing our faith, giving thanks to God for all the blessings that he is bestowing on us, asking him for forgiveness for our shortcomings and petitioning him to grant his blessings even more to the whole Church and the world.

A particular privilege associated with a Jubilee Year is a plenary indulgence. Indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven in the Sacrament of Confession.

How can I receive an indulgence?

The ordinary ways to receive an indulgence include visiting a designated place, praying for the intentions of the Holy Father, receiving sacramental confession and Holy Communion and being detached from every sin, even venial. In this Jubilee Year there are also other ways of receiving indulgences, including fasting and performing works of mercy, especially for those who need it most.



THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

