Dear Jubilee 2025 Diocesan Contacts,

Preparations are underway to celebrate the *Jubilee Year* 2025 – *Pilgrims of Hope*. On behalf of the *Ad hoc* Committee for The Preparation of the Jubilee in 2025, we are pleased to share the following update regarding Jubilee 2025 – Pilgrims of Hope.

1. Year of Prayer

The Holy Father announced on 21 January 2024 the Year of Prayer in Preparation for the Jubilee 2025. The faithful are invited to enter into a Year of Prayer in order to ensure that the Jubilee Year 2025 is a spiritual experience that enriches the life of the Church. It is hoped that the Year of Prayer can be integrated into existing diocesan pastoral plans for the year 2024.

Resources that may assist you in your diocese/eparchy to experience the Year of Prayer include:

- Pastoral Resource on the Year of Prayer available in French and English (VatiCloud)
- The Holy Father's Catechesis on Prayer (38 in total)
 - o Catechises on Prayer 2020 in English (vatican.va)
 - o Catechises on Prayer 2021 in English (vatican.va)
 - o Catéchèses sur la prière 2020 en français (vatican.va)
 - o Catéchèses sur la prière 2021 en français (vatican.va)

• Prayer Pastoral Aide for Presbyters

The Dicastery for Evangelization has prepared a Prayer Pastoral Aide for Presbyters as part of the Year of Prayer called by the Holy Father and in preparation for Jubilee 2025. The Dicastery hopes that the resource will be distributed widely and used when priests gather with their Bishop or in regional groups. The resource may be downloaded from the official Jubilee website:

in English: https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html
in French: https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/fr.html

or in both languages: https://drive.cloud.va/index.php/s/CqzamTgSdFI5HH7

• Webinar Series on Prayer

The CCCB Ad hoc Committee for the Preparation of Jubilee 2025 is hosting a two-part series titled, "A Great Symphony of Prayer" which will enable the faithful one meaningful way to participate in the Year of Prayer which was announced by Pope Francis on 21 January 2024.

Dr. Josephine Lombardi (St. Augustine's Seminary) will present eight English-language webinars on prayer:

Spring Series: "A Great Symphony of Prayer: The Our Father as a Programme of Life."

- 1. Why Did Jesus Address God as Father?
- 2. Seeking God's Kingdom and Knowing God's Will
- 3. Daily Bread and the Gift of Forgiveness
- 4. Managing Trials and Resisting Evil

Fall Series on Prayer:

Date	Topic
Thursday, October 3, 2024	Praying with Mary/The Rosary
(1:00–2:30 pm EDT)	
Thursday, October 10, 2024	Praying with the Saints/St. Teresa
(1:00–2:30 pm EDT)	of Avila
Thursday, October 17, 2024	The Prayer of Jesus/John 17
(1:00–2:30 pm EDT)	
Thursday, October 24, 2024	Lectio Divina/The Storm at Sea
(1:00–2:30 pm EDT)	

The French-language webinar series will take place in May and October 2024

Registration link here. | Lien d'inscription ici.

S. Catherine Aubin, OP, présentera huit webinaires en français sur la prière :

Série de printemps : « Une grande symphonie de prières : Le Notre Père comme programme de vie »

Date	Topic
Mardi 7 mai, 2024	Pourquoi Jésus s'est-il adressé à
(13h00–14h30 HAE)	Dieu en l'appelant Père ?
Mardi 14 mai, 2024	Rechercher le Royaume de Dieu et
(13h00-14h30 HAE)	connaître la volonté de Dieu
Mardi 21 mai, 2024	Le pain quotidien et le don du
(13h00-14h30 HAE)	pardon
Mardi 28 mai, 2024	Gérer les épreuves et résister au mal
(13h00-14h30 HAE)	

Série d'automne sur la prière : Octobre 2024

Date	Topic
Mardi 8 octobre, 2024	Prier avec Marie/le Rosaire
(13h00-14h30 HAE)	
Mardi 15 octobre, 2024	Prier avec les saints/Saint
(13h00–14h30 HAE)	Dominique
Mardi 22 octobre, 2024	La prière de Jésus/Prier avec les
(13h00–14h30 HAE)	Psaumes
Mardi 29 octobre, 2024	Lectio Divina
(13h00–14h30 HAE)	

The webinars will be recorded and packaged with a reflection guide and made available on cccb.ca sometime after the completion of the final session. Please register for at least one session for in order to receive a notification that the packaged recordings are available.

2. Reading and presentation of the Bull of Indiction for the Jubilee

The Holy Father will preside over the presentation and reading of the Bull of Indiction for Jubilee 2025 and the Second Vespers of the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord on Thursday, May 9, 2024, at 5:30 pm in St. Peter's Basilica. The Bull will provide important information about the celebration of the Jubilee and will include reflections on the theme of hope as envisioned by the Pope.

The rite of presentation and reading of the Bull, a pivotal document for our Jubilee preparations, can be followed via live streaming offered by Vatican News. The Bull will be readily available online, ensuring that you have immediate access to this important resource.

3. The Jubilee Prayer

The Jubilee Prayer may be reproduced and distributed. All reproductions of the prayer must indicate Pope Francis as the author. The prayer can be found on the Jubilee website:

- In English and
- In French.

4. Pilgrimages to Rome

Diocesan groups of 60 or more must register through the Dicastery for Evangelization – Jubilee Office.

- Please register by sending an email to pilgrim@iubilaeum2025.va
- Please include the following information:
 - o A diocesan/eparchial or parish contact
 - Full Name

- Phone Number
- Email Address
- Name of Diocese/Eparchy or Parish
- Civic Address
- o The size of the group (60 or more)
- o Planned Dates of Travel

Groups of fewer than 60 can register directly through:

• The Jubilee Website Registration Portal.

Pilgrims can also register via the mobile device App available for download:

- From the Apple App Store and
- From the Google Play Store.

A free "Pilgrim's Card", for which pilgrims can register above, will be necessary to register for Jubilee events. Further, group registration will be required for major events.

5. **A Jubilee Events Calendar** is available on the Jubilee website:

- In English and
- In French.

6. The Pilgrimage and Special Indulgences

The Jubilee Pilgrimage is intended to be a spiritual experience.

To receive the indulgence, a pilgrim must:

- Pass through the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome,
- Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- Attend a Celebration of the Eucharist, and
- Perform an act of charity.

7. Jubilee of Youth (28 July–3 August 2025)

Episcopal Conferences have been asked to receive the registrations for the Youth Jubilee. Please note that the Youth Jubilee is not associated with World Youth Day and falls under the auspices of the Jubilee Office in Rome. Further information regarding the Jubilee of Youth will be forwarded in the coming weeks.

8. Jubilee Hymn

The Jubilee Office asks that we share the hymn "Pilgrims of Hope" as widely as possible.

The hymn can be listened to on the Jubilee YouTube channel:

- In English and
- In French.

The Jubilee Hymn is available for download here:

- In English (mp3) and
- In French (mp3).

The lyrics and musical scores can be downloaded from the <u>Jubilee website</u> here:

- English lyrics PDF and English musical score PDF;
- French lyrics PDF and French musical score PDF.

9. Jubilee Logo with Motto

The Jubilee Logo with motto is available in multiple languages and may be used at will, provided items on which they appear are not for profit. Download from VatiCloud:

• Jubilee Logo assets (VatiCloud)

For more information please contact Mrs. Marg Shea-Lawrence, Secretary to the CCCB *Ad hoc* Committee for the Preparation of the Jubilee 2025 at <m.shea-lawrence@cccb.ca>.