

JUBILEE Newsletter





OPENING OF HOLY DOOR BY POPE FRANCIS
December 24th 2024





OPENING OF JUBILEE YEAR

by Archbishop Gabriel Malzaire, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception CASTRIES, December 29th 2024



Extract from Archbishop Malzaire's homily at the opening of the Jubilee Year at the Cathedral December 29th 2024



Holy Mother Church, in her wisdom, and in accordance with her missionary mandate, "whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven (Mt. 18:18), in the Jubilee Year, grants indulgences to deserving members of the faithful.

An indulgence is the forgiveness of one's sins as reward for his or her acts of sincere charity.

Making a pilgrimage and the celebration of the indulgences of the Jubilee Year is not a form of magic. It is our life of charity that gives them their ultimate meaning.

How, therefore, can we as a Christian community, an Archdiocese, get the full benefit of

this Jubilee year? Here are some suggestions:

1. That all our pastoral and liturgical activities for the Jubilee Year focus on the theme: "Building Church Together as Pilgrims of Hope;"

- 2. That we rekindle in each of us the practice of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- 3. That all Church groups take the opportunity to make at least one pilgrimage during the year to the designated Churches:
- 4. That every parish and individual Christian augment their outreach to the poor and less fortunate among us; to see that no one in our community goes to bed hungry. (When you go on pilgrimage bring something to give to the poor).
- 5. Take an active part in the various jubilee celebrations organised throughout the year for: man, women, couples, youth, priests, deacons, religious, the poor, etc.

Brothers and sisters, the call of this Jubilee Year to be Pilgrims of Hope affords us a unique opportunity for renewal and rejuvenation as a religious community.





Archbishop Gabriel Malzaire will be there representing the **AEC** as Chair of the Communication Commission

WHAT'S HAPPENING **IN ROME?**

JUBILEE OF THE WORD SUNDAY JANUARY 26TH ALL PARISHES

INDULGENCE:

is the concrete manifestation of God's mercy

RECUISITES FOR INDULGENCES

- Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Profession of Faith
- Jubilee Prayer
- Prayer for the Pope's intentions
- Receiving of Holy Communion
- Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy
- Pilgrimage

JUBILEE OF THE WORLD **OF COMMUNICATIONS** 24-26 january 2025 Friday 24 January h 17:30-19:00 Welcome and Penitential Liturgy Mass in the Basilica of St. John Lateran Saturday 25 January Pilgrimage to the Holy Doorat St. Peter's h 9:00-10:00 Welcome in Atrium of the Paul VI Audience Hall In dialogue with Maria Ressa and Colum IcCann". Moderator: Mario Calabrese in aul VI Audience Hall h 15:00-16:30 Sunday 26 January Registration deadline 24 November 2024



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TO OUR 9 CHURCHES **EVERY O3RD SATURDAY** OF THE MONTH

WE WELCOME PILGRIMS























HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PASSING OF THE BOAT TO THE PILGRIM CHURCHES POINT PERSONS

Cathedral to St Joseph The Worker



St Joseph the Worker to St Michael





VOLUNTEER!

VOLUNTEER TO BE PART OF:

- Hospitality service
- Cleaning the church
- Decorating
- Home visitation
- Transportation
- Financial support
- Any other



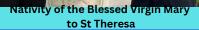
Ask your Point person how you can volunteer for Jubilee 2025



St Michael to Mt of Prayer



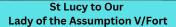




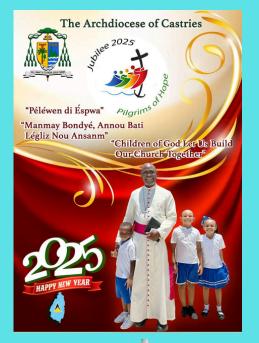




St Theresa to Cathedral



COMING FEBRUARY 02 JUBILEE OF CONSECRATED LIFE COME SUPPORT YOUR RELIGIOUS BROTHERS, PRIESTS AND SISTERS PURIFICATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, LABORIE





The pilgrim boat named Hope, is a beautiful embodiment of our nation's aspirations and unity. Designed as a local fishing boat, Hope carries the Jubilee Prayer proudly displayed on its sail, serving as a beacon of faith and inspiration. Crafted by young entrepreneurs from Real 3D Solutions. This locally manufactured vessel symbolizes the spirit of prayer, innovation, great expectations and connection between Parishes.



DATE: January 01, 2025

RE: Archbishop's New (Jubilee) Year's Message (To be read in Church at all New Year's Masses)

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, mindful of the theme for Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope, as an Archdiocese, we shall continue to focus on our Pastoral Theme: People of God, let us Build our Church Together as Pilgrims of Hope: "Manmay Bondyé, Annou Bati Légliz Nou Ansanm kon Péléwen di Éspwa."

We wish Jubilee Year 2025 to be characterised by the following:

- 1. A year of a Spiritual Awakening, Renewal & Rejuvenation.
- a. In the Archdiocese 9 Churches are designated as Centres of Pilgrimage, namely: The Minor Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Castries, St. Joseph the Worker, Gros Islet, Mount of Prayer, Coubaril, St. Michael, La Resource, St. Lucy, Micoud, Our Lady of the Assumption, Vieux Fort, St. Theresa, Saltibus, Our Lady of the Assumption, Soufriere, Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary, Anse La Rays.
- b. I encourage all groups and individuals to make at least one pilgrimage to these designated Churches during the Jubilee Year. The 3rd Saturday of every month is designated as the principal day for pilgrimage. However, individuals and groups can also do pilgrimages on other convenient days during the week.
 - A year of Prayer & Sacrifice Rediscovering our Catholic Identity & Popular Piety:
 - a. We shall resume devotions at the Calvary Shrine, which is currently under renovation.
- b. We shall intensify our Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in all parishes on Thursdays or Fridays to pray for our many needs in our Home, Church and Country, as well as for an increase in local vocations.
 - c. We shall work at revitalizing the Prayer Groups in Parishes
 - 3. A Year of Evangelization & Outreach through
 - a. Know Your Faith Series b. Bible Study c. Lenten and other Retreats & Missions d. Training of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 - 4. Here are the New Regulations Towards Continuous Catechesis in the Archdiocese:
 - First Communion: 7-8 years A 1 year programme
 - Post First Communion: 8-11 years Missionary Childhood Association
- Confirmation: 11-13 years A 2-year programme Growing in Discipleship
- Post Confirmation: 13+ years A 3-year Programme Building partnership through Youth Groups
 - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) for adults who wish to be instructed and initiated in the faith

A successful execution of these processes of Prayer, Evangelisation & Catechesis will require good stewards (members of the faithful who can volunteer their time & talent for the glory of God and the sanctification of His people.

Let us together make this Year of Jubilee one of true conversion, reconciliation and rejuvenation.