



JUBILEE

YEAR

2026

St. Francis of Assisi

Conditions for a Plenary Indulgence, Jubilee of St Francis

For a more perfect achievement of the intended aims, the Apostolic Penitentiary, through this Decree issued in accordance with the will of the Supreme Pontiff, on the occasion of the Year of Saint Francis, grants a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions (sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer according to the intentions of the Holy Father), also applicable in the form of suffrage for the souls in Purgatory.

This indulgence is applicable to all the faithful, who fulfill these conditions:

1. Have a heart detached from sin
2. Visit, in the form of a pilgrimage, any place of worship anywhere in the world dedicated to Saint Francis or connected to him for any reason
3. Spend at least a reasonable period of time in pious meditation and raise prayers to God, asking that feelings of Christian charity towards their neighbors and authentic vows of harmony and peace among peoples may spring forth in their hearts, following the example of St. Francis of Assisi
4. Offer a prayer to Saint Francis of Assisi, Saint Clare, and the saints of the Franciscan Family
5. Offer the Our Father, a Hail Mary, and the Creed for Pope Leo XIV
6. Receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion on the day of the visit
7. Receive the Sacrament of Confession (3 weeks before or after the visit)

Given in Rome, from the Apostolic Penitentiary, on 10 January 2026, the eve of the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

Prayer to St Francis: Dear St. Francis, we venerate you, the living image of Christ crucified. Obtain for us, that we too may banish from our hearts the spirit of the world; that we may esteem poverty and humility above wealth and honors; that we may mortify our passions and advance daily in the knowledge and love of God, until at last, detached from ourselves, from the world, and from all creatures, we may live for God alone. Amen.

Prayer to St Clare: Blessed St. Clare, whose very name means light, illuminate the darkness of our minds and hearts so that we might see what God wishes us to do and perform it with a willing and joyful heart. Before your birth, a Heavenly voice foretold that you would be a light illuminating the world. Be a light to us in the sorrows and anxieties of this earthly life, and lead us into the eternal light of our home in Heaven. Amen.

Prayer to all Franciscan Saints: Dear saints of the Franciscan Order, especially Sts. Anthony, Maximilian Kolbe, and Padre Pio, intercede for us, that we might imitate your examples of love of God and love of neighbor. That we might trust God and follow wherever He leads. That we might pray and not worry, confident that God is with us. Amen.

Prayer for Pope Leo XIV: Lord Jesus, we ask you to bless our holy father, Pope Leo. We thank you for his guidance of our Catholic Church. Please guide and encourage and protect him. Give him courage and charity. We thank you for the gift of indulgence which we receive through his assistance, as successor of St. Peter, with the power to bind and loose. We ask this in Your holy name. Amen.