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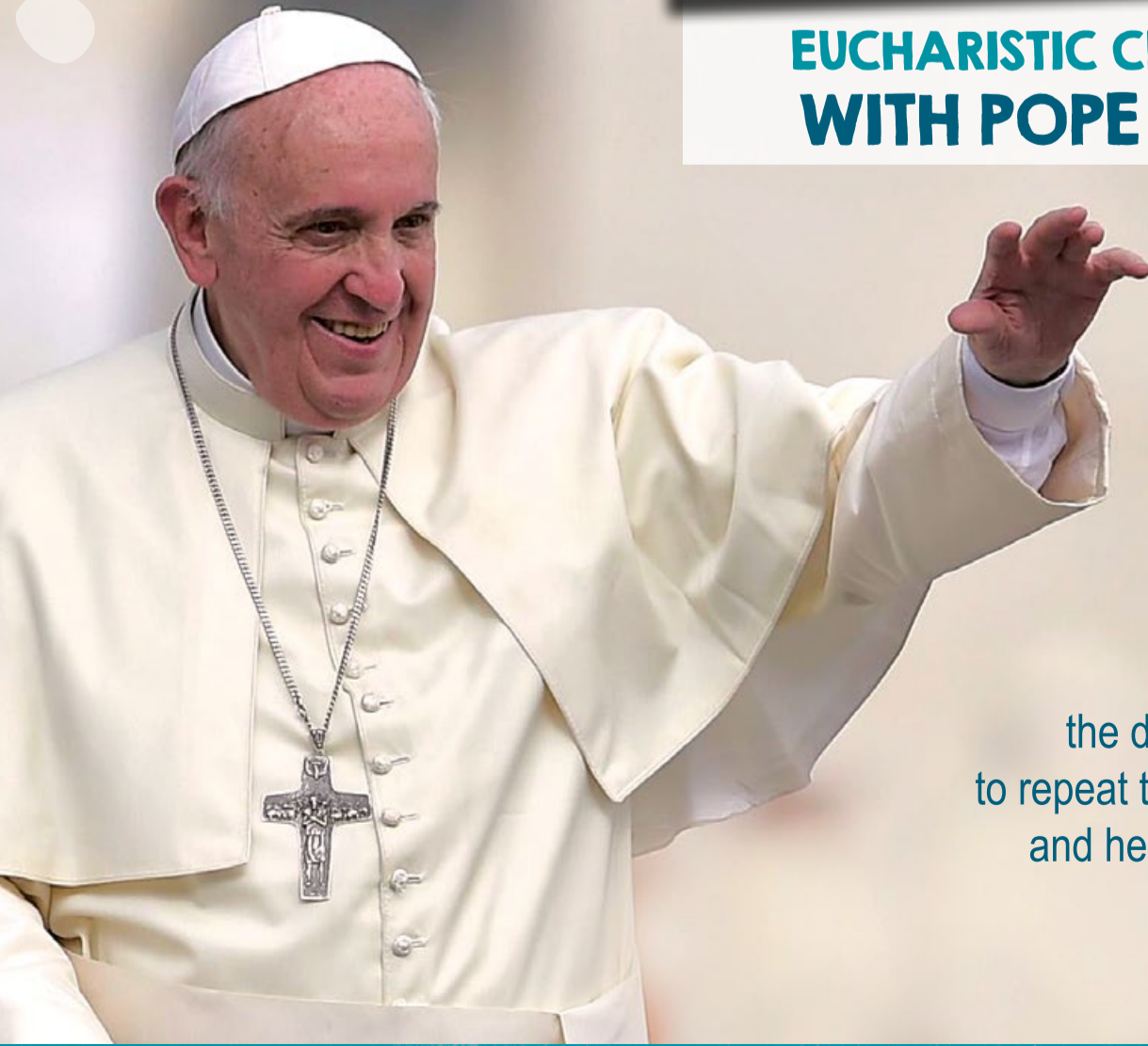
Jubilee for BOYS AND GIRLS



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Sunday, 24 April

**EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION
WITH POPE FRANCIS**



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2015-2016 HOLY YEAR OF MERCY



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EDUCATIONAL PROJECT



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In the HOLY YEAR OF MERCY every Christian is invited to rediscover and bear witness to his or her COMMUNION with the Lord and with his brothers.

Our boys and girls are also among those invited: they are the sign of the NEW LIFE that fills the Church with hope; they are the LITTLE SEED that needs care and time to grow and bear fruit.

Therefore, we offer to our boys and girls the possibility of a PILGRIMAGE that will bring many of them together under ONE ROOF, to discover that they are neighbors and brothers according to the will of the Father.

The EDUCATIONAL PROJECT that accompanies the JUBILEE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS begins at home, in the parish, because the journey prepared for takes one further, and arrives deeper in the heart of each person.

Once they arrive in Rome, the MERCY OF THE FATHER will offer its face in the MANY EXPERIENCES that the youth will be invited to have, and which will all culminate in the EUCHARIST celebrated with Pope Francis.

Then there will be the time of return to the DAILY ROUTINE in which to benefit from this experience.

A project to live THE JUBILEE

WHO OF YOU WANTING TO BUILD A TOWER, WILL NOT SIT DOWN FIRST AND CALCULATE THE COST TO SEE IF HE HAS THE RESOURCES TO COMPLETE IT?

Why an educational project?

The exceptional event of the Holy Year should not find us unprepared: it is a YEAR OF GRACE, a year in which time should slow down and we should stop to put ourselves in the presence of the GIFT, to contemplate the BEAUTY OF THE MERCY of the Father in the face of the Son.

For this reason we have in mind a PROJECT, because we want to help the youth to be READY and ATTENTIVE to the experience they are having, so that they will know how to receive the many riches of this opportunity for ENCOUNTER and COMMUNION. So that the heart of each one will be converted to the Mercy of the Lord.

5 CATECHESSES to prepare for the pilgrimage

Every lesson plan ADDRESSES A TOPIC relating to the Holy Year of Mercy. You may use all or some of them to prepare catecheses for Lent or for other times in the parish. They are a CONCRETE AID providing appropriate language and content for those who will accompany the adolescents.

THE FIVE TOPICS:

1. PILGRIMAGE as an experience of ecclesial communion.
2. THE JUBILEE as a celebration that converts hearts.
3. JESUS as the face of the mercy of God.
4. BEING MERCIFUL in thoughts, words, and everyday life.
5. The responsibility to BEAR WITNESS, and waiting for fruit from the seeds that have been sown.

AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.GMG2016.IT, BEGINNING IN JANUARY 2016.



13-16 YEAR-OLDS: a special age!

The Jubilee invites boys and girls between the ages of 13-16, those at the beginning of ADOLESCENCE.

This is an age in which they are building the foundations for their FUTURE, in which they leave the simpler world of childhood and begin to find their OWN WAY in life. It is an age in which they OPEN THEMSELVES TO THE WORLD with enthusiasm and innocence, in which life is drawn with bright colors and dark contrasts.

THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY accompanies these young men and women on their journey of life: by being close to them, by listening, and by being witnesses of the GOOD LIFE OF THE GOSPEL.

4 DAYS IN ROME the schedule



Friday, April 22

ARRIVAL AND WELCOME of the young pilgrims in the Roman parishes and in Religious Institutes

Saturday, April 23

DURING THE DAY Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation and passage through the Holy Door.

IN THE EVENING a celebration with everyone gathered at the Olympic Stadium.

All day long: encounters in the TENTS OF MERCY.



Sunday, April 24

IN SAINT PETER'S SQUARE Holy Mass with Pope Francis.

All day long: encounters in the TENTS OF MERCY.

7 SQUARES for the tents of mercy

To promote a full and complete experience, SEVEN LARGE TENTS will be set up in seven squares in the city of Rome. The boys and girls are invited to stop under these welcoming shelters to listen to Pope Francis and to encounter witnesses of charity.

In every tent the FACE OF MERCY will be meditated upon through both a CORPORAL and a SPIRITUAL work of mercy. Each work will be displayed as incarnate in the commitment and in the love of real men and women, who have fallen in love with the Gospel of Jesus.

Every participant will receive a PILGRIM KIT FOR THE JUBILEE for Boys and Girls.

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Monday, April 25

DEPARTURE from the host communities and TRAVEL HOME for the young pilgrims.

In the morning: encounters in the TENTS OF MERCY.



UPDATED INSTRUCTIONS WILL CONTINUE TO BE POSTED ON THE WEB SITE WWW.GMG2016.IT IN THE SECTION DEDICATED TO THE JUBILEE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.