



Plenary Indulgence for the Observance of the Jubilee of Hope Holy Year

December 29, 2024 – December 28, 2025

Pope Francis has granted special Indulgences to the faithful who observe and take part in the celebration of the Jubilee of Hope.

By participating in any Pilgrimage to the designated Jubilee pilgrimage sites, and while fulfilling the usual conditions (see below), one may gain this special Indulgence. The Pilgrimage could be by an individual, or it could be a group of the faithful from the parish. For example, a parish might organize a group to go to a particular site for the celebration of Mass, or they might organize a group to go together to a particular site for a visit.

WHAT MUST ONE DO IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE SPECIAL PLENARY INDULGENCE?

In order to gain this special Indulgence, a Catholic is required to make sacramental Confession before or after visiting a designated Jubilee pilgrimage site (it may be fulfilled by celebrating the sacrament at the site during the parish's regularly scheduled times), receive the Eucharist at Mass before or after visiting a designated Jubilee pilgrimage site (it may be fulfilled by participating in Mass during the site's regularly scheduled times). In addition a person is to make a profession of faith and offer prayers for the Holy Father's intentions.

In addition to and in conjunction with fulfilling these conditions, one may then take part in any of the following observances of the Jubilee of Hope.

Make a pilgrimage to Holy Name Cathedral, or any one of the designated Jubilee pilgrimage sites and there participate in Mass, or the Sacrament of Penance, or take part in another liturgy or devotion (e.g., a liturgy of the word, the Liturgy of the Hours [Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer], the Stations of the Cross, the Rosary).

One may also gain the Plenary Indulgence by visiting one of the designated Jubilee pilgrimage sites and there, for a suitable period of time, engage in Eucharistic adoration or meditation before the tabernacle, concluding with the Our Father, the Profession of Faith (Nicene or Apostles' Creed), and invocations to Mary, the Mother of God.

Sites designated in the Archdiocese of Chicago can be found on the Archdiocesan Jubilee of Hope website (pvm.archchicago.org/jubilee-2025)

Those who for various reasons cannot participate in a Pilgrimage or visit, particularly the sick and people who are elderly and alone, e.g., confined to the home, those incarcerated, can obtain the Jubilee indulgence, under the same conditions if, united in spirit with the faithful who take part in person, they recite the Our Father, the Profession of Faith and invocations to Mary.

The full Decree on the Granting of the Indulgence can be found at usccb.org/resources/Indulgence_Vatican_Bollettino.pdf