



ARCHDIOCESE OF WINNIPEG
Catholic Centre
Chancery Office

MEMORANDUM:

To: All Parishes
All Clergy
All Institutes of Consecrated Life

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From: Archbishop Richard Gagnon

Date: January 29, 2025

Re: Additional Jubilee Pilgrimage Site

Given the spiritual significance of the National Visitation of the Relics of St. Jean de Brébeuf and of St. Kateri Tekakwitha in this Jubilee Year 2025, I have acceded to the request that St. Ignatius Church in Winnipeg will be designated as an additional Jubilee Pilgrimage Site in the Archdiocese for the day of February 2, 2025. Therefore, the faithful who devoutly make a pilgrimage to St. Ignatius Church on February 2nd may obtain the Jubilee Indulgence under the usual conditions.

In addition, even though it's short notice, St. John Brébeuf Parish in Winnipeg will be designated as an additional Jubilee Pilgrimage Site in the Archdiocese for the day of January 30, 2025. Therefore, the faithful who devoutly make a pilgrimage to St. John Brébeuf Parish on January 30th may obtain the Jubilee Indulgence under the usual conditions.

National Visitation of the Relics of St. Jean de Brébeuf and St. Kateri Tekakwitha – Veneration Times

- St. John Brébeuf Parish: Thursday, January 30, 2025, from 9:15 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Mass will be at 9:15 a.m.
- St. Ignatius Parish: Sunday, February 2, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mass will be at 11:00 a.m.

Definition of an indulgence according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church:

“An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints.” (CCC 1471)

Ways to Obtain the Jubilee Indulgence:

- **Pilgrimages:** Pilgrims may obtain the Jubilee Indulgence by visiting specific sacred places, such as the four Major Papal Basilicas in Rome, or other designated pilgrimage sites worldwide, including Cathedral churches and other designated churches, shrines, and grottos within our diocese. Such designated spaces are found in *A Pilgrim's Guide to Jubilee Churches and Shrines*. Devoutly participating in Holy Mass and celebrating the Sacrament of Penance will help pilgrims receive the Jubilee indulgence.
- **Pious Visits to Sacred Space:** Likewise, the Jubilee Indulgence may be obtained by visiting designated sacred places for Eucharistic adoration, prayer, and meditative reflection. In doing so, one should include praying the Lord's Prayer (Our Father), the Profession of Faith (Apostle's Creed or Nicene Creed), invocations to Mary, the Mother of God, and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father.
- **Works of Mercy and Penance:** In addition, acts of mercy and works of charity, such as visiting the sick, prisoners, the lonely, feeding the hungry and assisting the poor and others in need, can lead to the Indulgence. In doing so, one should include praying the Lord's Prayer (Our Father), the Profession of Faith (Apostle's Creed or Nicene Creed), invocations to Mary, the Mother of God, and praying for the intentions of the Holy Father with those they visit.
- **Special Considerations:** Those who cannot travel may receive the Jubilee Indulgence by spiritually uniting themselves with the holy year celebrations through prayer and offering up their sufferings. In doing so, one should include praying the Lord's Prayer (Our Father), the Profession of Faith (Apostle's Creed or Nicene Creed), invocations to Mary, the Mother of God, and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father.

One should be spiritually prepared to receive the Jubilee Indulgence. Namely, by being in a state of grace, having made a good confession, and attending Mass regularly.

For complete information, please see our website: www.archwinnipeg.ca/jubilee-2025.