

## Plenary Indulgence for the Year of Faith in the Archdiocese of Santa Fe

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According to a decree made public October 5, 2012, Benedict XVI will grant the faithful Plenary Indulgences for the occasion of the Year of Faith. The indulgences will be valid from the opening of the Year on October 11, 2012 until its end on November 24, 2013.

"The day of the fiftieth anniversary of the solemn opening of Vatican Council II, the Supreme Pontiff Benedict XVI has decreed the beginning of a Year especially dedicated to the profession of the true faith and its correct interpretation, through the reading of - or better still the pious meditation upon - the Acts of the Council and the articles of the Catechism of the Catholic Church".

"Since the primary objective is to develop sanctity of life to the highest degree possible on this earth, and thus to attain the most sublime level of pureness of soul, immense benefit may be derived from the great gift of Indulgences which, by virtue of the power conferred upon her by Christ, the Church offers to everyone who, following the due norms, undertakes the special precepts to obtain them".

"During the Year of Faith, which will last from 11 October 2012 to 24 November 2013, Plenary Indulgence for the temporal punishment of sins, imparted by the mercy of God and applicable also to the souls of deceased faithful, may be obtained by all faithful who, truly penitent, take Sacramental Confession and the Eucharist and pray in accordance with the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff."

Each time they visit, in the course of a pilgrimage, a papal basilica, a Christian catacomb, a cathedral church or a holy site designated by the local ordinary for the Year of Faith (**in the Archdiocese of Santa Fe: Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi in Santa Fe, Our Lady of Sorrows in Las Vegas, Santuario de Chimayo, St. Rose of Lima in Santa Rosa, San Clemente in Los Lunas, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Albuquerque, Shrine of St. Bernadette in Albuquerque, and San Felipe in Albuquerque**), and there participate in a sacred celebration, or at least remain for a congruous period of time in prayer and pious meditation, concluding with the recitation of the Our Father, the Profession of Faith in any legitimate form, and invocations to the Blessed Virgin Mary and, depending on the circumstances, to the Holy Apostles and patron saints.

On any day they chose, during the Year of Faith, if they make a pious visit to the baptistery, or other place in which they received the Sacrament of Baptism, and there renew their baptismal promises in any legitimate form.