

## Pilgrim Year of Preparation November 2015

### FEATURED DATES

#### 1 – All Saints Day

*On this day when we commemorate the many holy men and women in heaven, we ask for their intercession during our pilgrim journey.*

#### 2 – All Souls Day

*All Souls Day commemorates all the dead including our friends and families who have died. On this day, pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the dead. Don't know how to pray the Chaplet? [Check out this guide](#)*

#### 3 – Feast of St. Martin de Porres

*Seventeenth century saint from the Americas (Peru), patron saint of those from mixed racial backgrounds, of Mexico, and the poor*

#### 11 – Veterans Day

*Pray for all those who have served the United States of America through the armed services.*

#### Polish Independence Day

*Celebrating the restoration of Poland in 1918*

#### Feast of St. Martin of Tours

*One of the patrons of Buenos Aires (WYD 1987)*

#### 12 – Feast of St. Josaphat Kuntsevych

*Polish saint, one of the patrons of Krakow*

#### Anniversary of Sons & Daughters of the Light

*On this date in 1996, the U.S. bishops approve their pastoral plan for ministry with young adults*

#### 13 – Feast of St. Stanislaus Kostka, S.J.

*Sixteenth century Polish Jesuit, died in Rome at age 17, patron of students and novices, and one of the major patrons of Poland*

#### Feast of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, M.S.C.

*First naturalized United States citizen canonized, and patron of immigrants; lived 1850-1917*

#### 15 – Feast of St. Albert Magnus (the Great), O.P.

*One of the patrons of WYD Cologne (2005)*

#### 18- Feast of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne RSCJ

*Religious sister who ministered across the Midwestern United States; lived 1769-1852*

#### 19-21 – National Catholic Youth Conference

*Biennial national gathering of Catholic high school youth, held in Indianapolis, Indiana.*

#### 21 – [St. John Paul II gives WYD 1995 message](#)

*On this day in 1993, St. John Paul II released his message for World Youth Day in Manila in the Philippines. The theme for his letter was "As the Father sends me, so I send you." (Jn. 20:21)*

#### 24 – Feast of St. John of the Cross

*One of the patrons of WYD Madrid (2011)*

#### 25 – [St. John Paul II gives WYD 1997 message](#)

*On this day in 1995, St. John Paul II released his message for World Youth Day in Paris, France. The theme was, "Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." (Jn. 6:68)*

#### 26 – Thanksgiving Day

*Pray in gratitude for all that God has given us.*

#### 27 – [St. John Paul II gives WYD 1989 message](#)

*On this day in 1988, St. John Paul II released his message for World Youth Day in Santiago de Compostela. The theme of his letter was "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life" (Jn. 14:6)*

#### 29 – Advent Begins

*Pray for a prayerful and holy Advent Season.*

#### 30 – [St. John Paul II gives WYD 1987 message](#)

*On this day in 1986, St. John Paul II released his message for World Youth Day in Buenos Aires in Argentina. The theme of his letter was "We ourselves have known and put our faith in God's love towards ourselves" (1Jn. 4:16)*