



World Youth Day 2019

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Pilgrim Year of Preparation November 2018

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), one of the patrons of WYD Panama (2019) and 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.

Feast of St. Martin of Tours

One of the patrons of Buenos Aires (WYD 1987)

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. 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)

15-21 National Bible Week

Challenge yourself to learn more and know more about the Bible during this national observance.

18- Feast of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne RSCJ

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

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) Read and meditate on his full address.

22 – Thanksgiving Day

Pray in gratitude for all that God has given us.

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) Read and meditate on his full address.

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). Read and meditate on his full address.

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). Read and meditate on his full address.