PILGRIMAGE – Saturday, 29th November

We will be going on our final pilgrimage of this **Jubilee Year**, to the **Immaculate Conception Church**, one of the 4 designated pilgrimage churches in the Archdiocese of Bangkok, on **Saturday 29th November**.

Itinerary:

09:15: arrival at Immaculate Conception
 09: 30–09:45: introduction to the pilgrimage site

o 09:45 - 10:45: visit the area around the church (including the original

church); confessions; quiet time for prayer

o 10: 45- 11:30: Mass, celebrated by Fr John

o 11:30: end

[no lunch will be organized this time, but we encourage everyone to be creative and head for an impromptu meal

in the area with fellow pilgrims]

As the church is nigh impossible to reach by bus (it is located at the end of a maze of several small sois), <u>no transportation</u> will be organised this time, so please make your own way there.

For those planning to come by car, ample parking is available at **Wat Rachathiwat**: 3, Sam Sen Road, Wachira Phayaban, Dusit District, Bangkok 10300. The church is a short, 5-minute, walk from the temple's parking lot. Ushers will be on hand to guide you to the church.

Please register at assumptionpilgrimage@gmail.com, and indicate

- (1) how many people will be in your party; and
- (2) whether or not you will be coming by car (the latter information is needed so we can inform the temple how many vehicles to expect).

No participation fee will be charged, but we will hold a collection during Mass on the day. Part of the proceeds will be donated to Immaculate Conception church, and part to the **Migrant Learning Centre (MLC)** in Pathum Thani.

Pope Leo XIV's Apostolic Exhortation DILEXITE: On Love for the Poor – a Synthesis (Part I)

<u>Introduction:</u> In profound continuity with the Encyclical 'Delexit nos', in which Pope Francis developed the inexhaustible mystery of the divine and human love of the Heart of Christ, the document begins from the words of the Lord: "I have loved you" (Rev 3:9) and wants to point out the strong connection that exists between the love of Christ and his call for us to draw near to the poor.

The First Chapter opens by taking up the Gospel text in which Jesus defends the woman who, recognising in him the suffering Messiah, pours on Him a precious perfume. In affirming: "For you always have the poor with you, but you will not always have me (Matt 26:8-11)", Jesus reveals that, although small, this gesture was of immense consolation for Him. This shows that no gesture of affection, not even the smallest one, will be forgotten, especially if it is bestowed on one who is in pain, alone, or needy, as the Lord was at that hour. And it is exactly in that perspective that affection for the Lord is united with affection for the poor.

The first figure proposed for our inspiration is that of the Saint of Assisi. The young Francis is reborn by his being expelled from his family life, provoking an evangelical rebirth in Christians and in the society of his time that continues to inspire us even eight centuries later. The "preferential option for the poor" produces a renewal in the Church and in society when we succeed in freeing ourselves from self-referentiality and permit ourselves to listen to "the cry of the poor."

The illusion of a happiness based on riches and success at all costs feeds a culture that "throws away" others, indifferent to death by hunger or disgraceful living conditions. The Holy Father emphasises that poverty, for the most part, is not accidental or a choice, as is claimed by the false vision of the meritocracy, which holds that only those who have achieved success in life have merit. Christians also can let themselves be influenced by worldly ideologies, as is demonstrated by the fact that the exercise of charity is often scorned and ridiculed.

Chapter Two — God chooses the poor. God is merciful love; He reveals himself to his creatures, taking care of their human condition and, therefore, their poverty. In order to share the limits and the fragility of our human nature, He made himself poor, sharing with us also the radical poverty of death. If understood properly — because one can also speak theologically of a preferential option on the part of God for the poor — a "preference" that never indicates exclusion or discrimination against other groups.

CALENDAR

MONDAY

November 10 St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church Wis 1:1-7 Lk 17:1-6

TUESDAY

November 11 St. Martin of Tours, Bishop Wis 2:23–3:9 Lk 17:7-10

WEDNESDAY

November 12 St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr Wis 6:1–11 Lk 17:11–19

THURSDAY

November 13 St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin Wis 7:22b–8:1 Lk 17:20–25

FRIDAY

November 14 Weekday Wis 13:1-9 Lk 17:26-37

SATURDAY

November 15 *Weekday* Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Lk 18:1-8

SUNDAY

November 16 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Mal 3:19-20a 2 Thes 3:7-12 Lk 21:5-19

PRAYER SEEKING THE INTERCESSION OF THE EIGHT BLESSED MARTYRS OF THAILAND AND THEIR CANONISATION

Almighty God, You called the eight Blessed Martyrs of Thailand to serve our Lord Jesus Christ, as priest, religious and lay people, laity leading as young disciples, and as a catechist. These eight Blessed Martyrs responded faithfully to Your call, dedicating themselves to Your redemptive mission for all. For the sake of this mission and their faith in You, they followed Your Son, Jesus Christ, in sacrificing their lives.

May the example of these eight Blessed Martyrs of Thailand inspire us to live our Christian faith today in the Catholic Church, ever giving witness to that faith in our daily life.

According to Your will, we pray that Your servants, the eight Blessed Martyrs of Thailand, may be canonised. We ask this as we seek to strengthen our own faith. So, if it is Your will, bless us with their canonisation, thus giving glory to Your Name.

Through the intercession of the eight Blessed Martyrs of Thailand, grant what we now humbly request in prayer (*take a silent moment*). *Amen*.

Leader: The eight Blessed Martyrs of Thailand

Response: Pray for us

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon-Fri : Thai 06:00 hrs.

Sat : Thai 06:00; 17:00 novena followed by

mass

Sun : Thai 07:00; 08:30 and 17:00 hrs.

English 10:00 hrs.

BAPTISM:

Thai : **First Sunday** during 8:30 am mass. English : **Second Sunday** during 10:00 am mass.

CONFESSION:

Sundays: Before all masses (Thai).

English before 10:00 am mass.

CATHOLIC CENTER:

For religious articles, please visit the center opposite the entrance of the Cathedral.

Opening Hours:

Mon-Fri : 08:30 – 17:00 hrs. Sat & Sun : 08:30 – noon Public holidays : Closed

Churches, Cathedrals & Basilicas

This Sunday, we remember a church – St John Lateran Basilica in Rome. We may ask why our Catholic Church is making such a fuss about a specific, individual church? Well, it is not just any church, but the cathedral church of Rome, the seat of the Bishop of Rome. We may ask, "Who is the Bishop of Rome?" No less than the Pope himself. So now we can see the significance of what we remember today.

As I think of churches, I remember my recent visit to Paris. During that time, I had the privilege to visit St Augustine and St Eustache churches, Notre Dame Cathedral, and Sacre Coeur and St Denis basilicas. There are many grand churches in Paris, but this was my selection, and what a selection it was! Each is a national monument, a historical treasure, a cultural wonder. Beyond all their grandeur, I experienced each as a unique place of prayer and reflection, each offering a simple and holy space for worship.

So *any* church, even a bush chapel, is about showing the grandeur of God to the world, and offering its people a space to pray and worship.

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THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

HOLY (No. 263) PLEASE KNEEL

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION (No. 264)

DOXOLOGY PLEASE STAND

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy

Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

GREAT AMEN (No. 374)

COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (No. 387)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil; graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await

the blessed hope and the coming of our saviour, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.

LAMB OF GOD (No. 391)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (Repeat)
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace. PLEASE KNEEL

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION: ONE BREAD, ONE BODY (No. 932)

FINAL: PILGRIMS OF HOPE PLEASE STAND

Refrain: Like a flame my hope is burning, may my song arise to you. Source of life that has no ending, on life's path I trust in you.

- 1. Ev'ry nation, tongue, and people, find a light within your Word.

 Scattered fragile sons and daughters, find a home in your dear Son. (R)
- 2. God, so tender and so patient, dawn of hope, you care for all. Heav'n and earth are recreated by the Spirit of Life set free. (R)
- 3. Raise your eyes, the wind is blowing, for our God is born in time. Son made man for you and many who will find the way in him. (R)

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Sunday, 9 November 2025

ENTRANCE: CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION (No. 745) PLEASE STAND

INTRODUCTORY RITE

Priest: I confess to almighty God,

All: and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words,

in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;

- and, striking their breast, they say -

Through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

Therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and

sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

KYRIE / LORD HAVE MERCY

Kýrie, eléison. Kýrie, eléison. Christe, eléison.

Kýrie, eléison. Kýrie, eléison.

GLORY TO GOD

Refrain: Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will.

1. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

- 2. Lord, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us, you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand, the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
- 3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. (R)

FIRST READING: EZ 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

A reading from the Book of Prophet Ezekiel:

The angel brought me back to the entrance of the temple, and I saw water flowing out from beneath the threshold of the temple toward the east, for the façade of the temple was toward the east; the water flowed down from the southern side of the temple, south of the altar. He led me outside by the north gate, and around to the outer gate facing the east, where I saw water trickling from the southern side. He said to me, "This water flows into the eastern district down upon the Arabah, and empties into the sea, the salt waters, which it makes fresh. Wherever the river flows, every sort of living creature that can multiply shall live, and there shall be abundant fish, for wherever this water comes the sea shall be made fresh. Along both banks of the river,

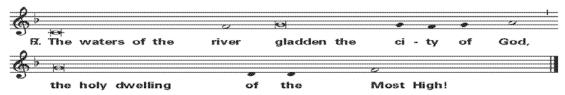
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fruit trees of every kind shall grow; their leaves shall not fade, nor their fruit fail. Every month they shall bear fresh fruit, for they shall be watered by the flow from the sanctuary. Their fruit shall serve for food, and their leaves for medicine."

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 46: THE WATERS OF THE RIVER



1. God is our refuge and our strength, an ever-present help in distress.

Therefore, we fear not, though the earth be shaken and mountains plunge into the depths of the sea. (R)

2. There is a stream whose runlets gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High.

God is in its midst; it shall not be disturbed; God will help it at the break of dawn. (R)

3. The LORD of hosts is with us; our stronghold is the God of Jacob. Come! behold the deeds of the LORD, the astounding things he has wrought on earth. (R)

SECOND READING: 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to Corinthians:

Brothers and sisters: You are God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a wise master builder I laid a foundation, and another is building upon it. But each one must be careful how he builds upon it, for no one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely, Jesus Christ.

Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for the temple of God, which you are, is holy.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA (No. 326) PLEASE STAND

Alleluia. Alleluia. (Repeat)

All: I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord, that my name may be there forever.

GOSPEL: Jn 2:13-22

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Priest: A reading from the Good News according to John

All: And with your spirit.

All: Glory to you, Lord.

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money-changers seated there.

He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, *Zeal for your house will consume me.* At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his Body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken.

Priest: The Good News of the Lord. All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

THE APOSTLES' CREED PLEASE STAND

Priest: I believe in God,

the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

RESPONSE TO THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL: "Lord, hear your people"

PLEASE BE SEATED

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PROCESSION OF THE GIFTS

OFFERTORY: ALL THAT WE HAVE

Refrain: All that we have and all that we offer,

Comes from a heart both frightened and free. Take what we bring now and give what we need,

All done in His name.

Some would rely on their power, others put trust in their gold.
 Some have only their saviour, whose faithfulness never grows old. (R)

2. Sometimes the road may be lonesome, often we may lose our way; take courage and always remember; love isn't just for a day. (R)

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS PLEASE STAND

Priest: Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.