The Jubilee Year of Hope 2025 Official Hymn 'Pilgrims of Hope'



What do we know about the Jubilee Year of Hope?



The Jubilee is a time of conversion and renewal, an opportunity to embark on a new path, animated by the hope that we can build a world in which everyone can lead an authentically human life in truth, justice and peace.

POPE LEO XIV



Clifton Diocese Jubilee of Hope Pilgrimage to Rome 1890 HE 2025 2025



What Is a Pilgrimage?

A pilgrimage is a special journey that people who belong to a faith might go on. Lots of different faiths have pilgrimages. People go on pilgrimages for lots of different reasons:

- To visit a place where a leader from their faith lived;
- To become closer to their god;
- To spend time with other people who belong to their faith;
- To follow the rules of their faith.

So...who is a Pilgrim?



Vatican City



Vatican City is a country in the middle of Rome in Italy. It is where the Pope, the head of the Catholic church, lives. It is thought that Saint Peter, one of Jesus' disciples, died there. St Peter's Basilica is in the Vatican City



On Sunday 28th
September Pilgrims from
Clifton Diocese attended
Holy Papal Mass in St
Peter's Square for the
Jubilee of Catechists.

A Catechist is someone who receives a particular calling from God to share their faith with others.

Catechists accompany children and adults on their faith journey and help prepare them for First Holy Communion, and Confirmation.

Some will often lead children's liturgy to help children understand the readings.



After Holy Mass, the pilgrims prayed the Angelus together and Pope Leo greeted the crowds.

This is a very special moment for everyone in the crowd.



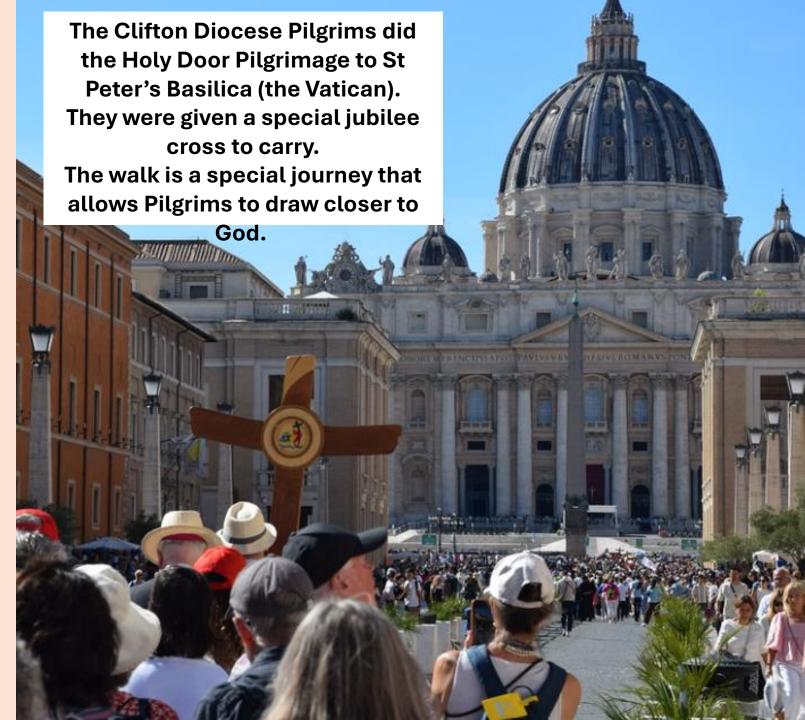
The Pilgrims carried the special Jubilee cross up the Via della Conciliazione to St Peter's Square.

Many of them carried the cross.

As they walked Bishop
Bosco and Canon Chris
were leading the group
and reading from
prayer pages that
include prayers and the
Litany of Saints.







What can you see on the back on the pilgrimage cross?

The Jubilee Year of Hope logo.





Bishop Bosco carried the cross as they reached St Peter's **Basilica** (the Vatican).



What door do you think Bishop Bosco is walking through?

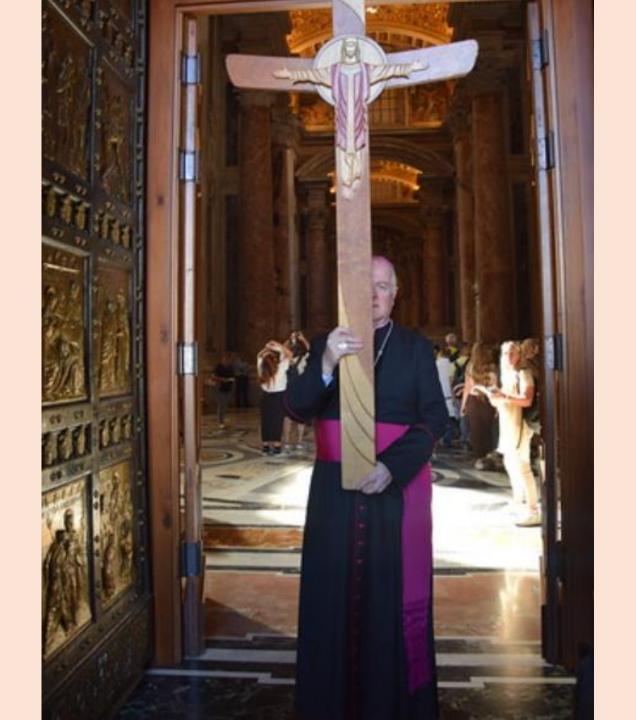
Bishop Bosco is walking through the special door at St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City. It is called the Holy Door or Jubilee Door.

It is bricked up most of the time and opened only during a Catholic Jubilee year, which occurs every 25 years.





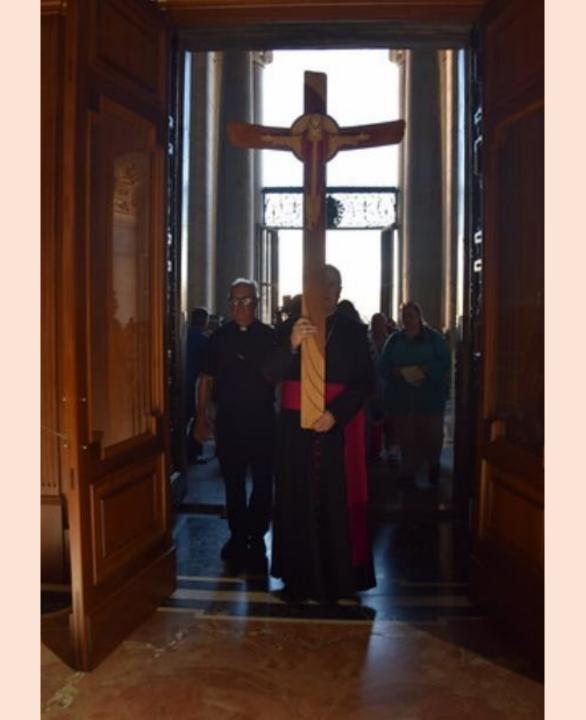
Catholics believe when they walk through the Holy Door during a Jubilee Year they receive God's mercy and grace



This is a prayer that Pilgrims may say as they go through the door:

"Open my heart to your grace, renew my faith, and fill me with the strength to walk as a true Pilgrim of Hope in this Jubilee year.

Amen."







As they leave the Pilgrims may say:

"Heavenly Father, I
thank you for allowing me
to cross through this Holy
Door and experience your
abundant love.

Amen"







A Special Prayer for Catechists

Loving Father,
We pray today for our
catechists.

We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church. Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love as they lead others to love you.

Amen

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