



2025 Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope'



- The Church has a Holy Year of Jubilee every 25 years (the last one was in 2000)
- The Year of Mercy (2016) was an Extraordinary Jubilee – a bonus Holy Year!
- The Jubilee Year will begin on Tuesday 24th 2024 and run until Tuesday 6 January 2026
- Pope Francis wants us to prepare for this by undertaking a year of prayer with a particular emphasis on The Lord's Prayer.





- Year of Prayer began on Sunday 3 December 2023 during Advent.
- It is to be a year **for** prayer, rather than **about** prayer during which we will be encouraged to deepen our own prayer life and love of God and to accompany others in theirs





Jubilee Video in English from the Vatican

<https://youtu.be/FBi5SCO2J88?feature=shared>

Official Jubilee Hymn in English recorded from the Vatican

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b6xoPAInr_8



Official Jubilee Logo





- The four figures represent 'all of humanity', coming from the four corners of the earth. They embrace each other to indicate the solidarity and fraternity which should unite all peoples.
- The figures also remind us that we do not journey through life alone and that we are united with our brothers and sisters in Christ.





The figure at the front is embracing the cross. The symbolism of this is twofold. The cross is a well-known sign of faith and it is also a sign of hope: we need to hold onto our faith 'especially in our moments of greatest need.'





There are waves beneath the figures. This reminds us that our pilgrim's journey through life is not always calm and smooth: throughout our lives we will have to face all kinds of different challenges.





The symbol of hope is further enhanced by the lower part of the cross which is in the shape of an anchor. It is submerged deep into the waters and signifies how, like an anchor, our faith gives us stability and security.





In this logo the cross is also bending 'down towards humanity, not leaving human beings alone, but stretching out to them to offer the certainty of its presence and the security of hope.'



PILGRIMS OF HOPE



- The motto 'Pilgrims of Hope' is ahead of the boat in the direction of travel.
- Green is a colour of growth and hope.
- At Easter time we see the signs of spring emerging from the earth coinciding with our celebration of the Resurrection through which our hope and salvation is realised.

