

Mercy Never Ends

“We will entrust the life of the Church, all humanity, and the entire cosmos to the Lordship of Christ, asking him to pour out his mercy upon us like the morning dew, so that everyone may work together to build a brighter future.” Pope Francis - *Bull of Indiction of The Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy* [MV 5]

Throughout this Year of Mercy, Pope Francis and the Holy Spirit have called us to delve into the deep richness of God’s mercy, to explore the power of God’s mercy for us and through us. The Year of Mercy will come to a close on the Feast of Christ the King, but we must remember that Mercy never ends... It is in this Year of Mercy that we have learned what it means to accept God’s mercy towards us and what it means to be merciful to others.

“How much I desire that the year to come will be steeped in mercy, so that we can go out to every man and woman, bringing the goodness and tenderness of God. May the balm of mercy reach everyone, both believers and those far away, as a sign that the Kingdom of God is already present in our midst!” [MV 5]

Now that the Jubilee Year of Mercy has come to a close, the real goal of this Year of Mercy begins. We are now sent forth into our world to be merciful as the Father is merciful. We are to be agents of mercy into the world, through our workplaces, families, schools and everyday interactions. To live in the Year of Mercy, is to grow in awareness of God’s infinite mercy. To Live out the goal of the Year of Mercy, is to glow with the light of God’s mercy always!

“Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope.” [MV 10]

Father of Mercy,

“may the Church echo the word of God that resounds strong and clear as a message and a sign of pardon, strength, aid, and love.

May she never tire of extending mercy, and be ever patient in offering compassion and comfort.

May the Church become the voice of every man and woman, and repeat confidently without end: ‘Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love, for they have been from old.’ (Ps. 25:6).” [MV 25]

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