

is now seated at the right hand of the Father?

- R. I do.
- V. Do you 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?
- R. I do.
- V. God, the all-powerful Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and forgiven all our sins. May he also keep us faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ for ever and ever.
- R. Amen. *******(excerpted from: <http://www.catholicculture.org>)

*****Those who cannot attend such celebrations for serious reasons may still obtain the indulgence if they pray an Our Father and a Creed and other prayers that agree with the objectives of the Year of Faith.**

A plenary indulgence also requires that the individual be in the state of grace, have complete detachment from sin, and pray for the Pope's intentions. The person must also sacramentally confess their sins and receive Communion up to about 20 days before or after completing the other acts.

THE YEAR OF FAITH IS MEANT TO "RECALL THE PRECIOUS GIFT OF FAITH" AND "ITS CORRECT INTERPRETATION." *******(excerpted from: www.catholicnewsagency.com)

WHAT IS AN INDULGENCE

An indulgence is defined as "the remission before God of the temporal punishment due for sins already forgiven as far as their guilt is concerned." The first thing to note is that forgiveness of a sin is separate from punishment for the sin. Through sacramental confession we obtain forgiveness, but we are not left off the hook as far as punishment goes.

Indulgences are of two kinds: partial and plenary. A **partial** indulgence removes part of the temporal punishment due for sins. A **plenary** indulgence removes **all** of it. This punishment may come either in this life, in the form of various sufferings, or in the next life, in purgatory. What we don't get rid of here we suffer there.

See complete details at: www.catholic.org/clife/prayers/indulg.php

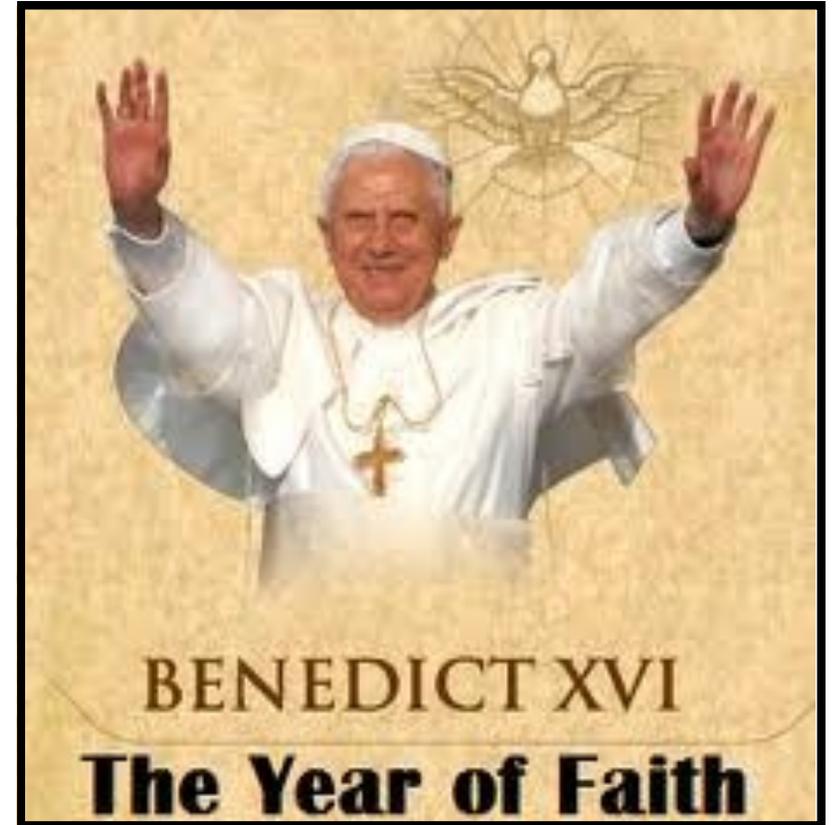
For more information on the various ways of receiving a plenary indulgence during the Year of Faith please visit the website listed below for a complete listing:

www.news.va/en/news/plenary-indulgence-for-the-year-of-faith

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Plenary Indulgence announced for the YEAR OF FAITH

October 11, 2012 to November 24, 2013



"...The 'door of faith' (Acts 14:27 is always open for us, ushering us into the life of communion with God and offering entry into his Church." ...

Pope Benedict XVI, Apostolic Letter Porta Fidei for the Induction of the Year of Faith.

YEAR OF FAITH

OCTOBER 11, 2012 — NOVEMBER 24, 2013

PLENARY INDULGENCE FOR THE YEAR OF FAITH

*In the Acts of the Apostles, we learn that God has opened the door of faith for the early Church. But did you know that God has opened the door of faith for each one of us and he invites us to step through the threshold into a deeper relationship with him. The upcoming Year of Faith is an opportunity for every Catholic to turn towards Jesus Christ, encounter him in the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist and rediscover the Faith and Church.

With his apostolic Letter of October 11, 2011, **PORTA FIDEI**. . . , Pope Benedict XVI declared that a “Year of Faith” will begin on October 11, 2012 and conclude on November 24, 2013. October 11, 2012, the first day of the Year of Faith, is the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the **SECOND VATICAN COUNCIL**. . . and also the twentieth anniversary of the **CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**. During the Year of Faith, Catholics are asked to study and reflect on the documents of Vatican II and the catechism so that they may deepen their knowledge of the faith.

The upcoming Year of Faith is a “summons to an authentic and renewed conversion to the Lord, the One Savior of the world” (*Porta Fidei* 6). In other words, the Year of Faith is an opportunity for Catholics to experience a conversion—to turn back to Jesus and enter into a deeper relationship with him. The “door of faith” is opened at one’s baptism, but during this year Catholics are called to open it again, walk through it and rediscover and renew their relationship with Christ and his Church. *(excerpted from: www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings)

NOTE: THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS. THE WEBSITE ADDRESS IS: www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catechism/catechism-of-the-catholic-church/ OR TELEPHONE NUMBER: 1-800-235-8722 OR 1-202-722-8716

For those unable to acquire a copy of The Catechism you may obtain a daily lesson from the website: <http://www.flocknote.com/catechism>

INDULGENCES

**The Holy See announced October 5, 2012 that Pope Benedict XVI has granted a plenary indulgence for the Year of Faith.

The decree announcing the indulgence was signed Sept. 14, 2012 by Cardinal Manuel de Castro, Major Penitentiary, and Bishop Krzysztof Nykiel, Regent, of the Apostolic Penitentiary. The penitentiary is the part of the Roman Curia responsible for indulgences and governing the sacrament of confession.

One plenary indulgence per day may be gained by an individual, which they can use for themselves or apply to a soul in purgatory. The indulgence remits the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven.

During the Year of Faith, there are four means of gaining an indulgence.

FIRST, by attending at least **three sermons** “during the Holy Missions” or reading at least **three lessons** from the documents of the Second Vatican Council or the Catechism of the Catholic Church (**as noted on previous page**).

SECOND, by making a pilgrimage to a basilica, catacomb, cathedral, or location designated by the local bishop for the Year of Faith, and either participating there in a sacred celebration, praying or meditating. The act of prayer should finish with an Our Father, a recitation of the Creed and a prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

THIRD, by participating in Mass or the Liturgy of the Hours on a day chosen by the local ordinary, and reciting the Creed.

FOURTH, people can visit their place of baptism and renew their baptismal promises there. (**see below**). ** (excerpted from: www.catholicnewsagency.com)

*** RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

- V. Do you reject Satan?
- R. I do.
- V. And all his works?
- R. I do.
- V. And all his empty promises?
- R. I do.
- V. Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth?
- R. I do.
- V. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary was crucified, died, and was buried, rose from the dead, and

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