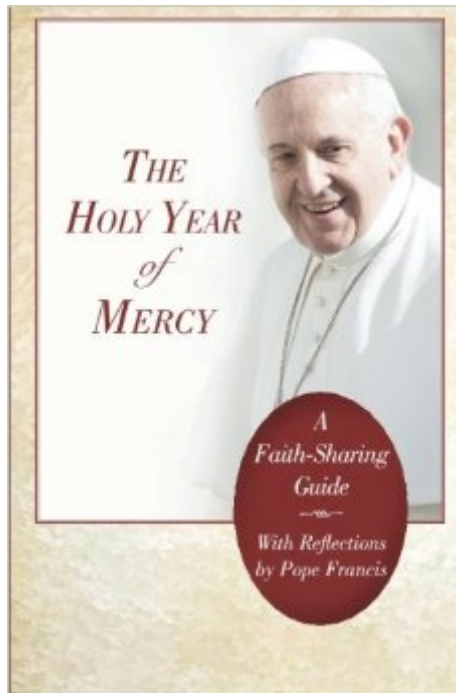


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The Holy Year Of Mercy: A Faith-Sharing Guide With Reflections By Pope Francis



Synopsis

Pope Francis has focused on the theme of God's mercy since the beginning of his pontificate. Now he has declared an Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, a holy year beginning on December 8, 2015 and lasting until the feast of Christ the King on November 20, 2016. This faith-sharing guide will give readers, and even entire parishes, an opportunity to participate in this holy year in a meaningful way. Each of the eight sessions features a Gospel passage followed by a homily on that passage given by Pope Francis. Questions for reflection and discussion focus on both the Scripture text and the homily. Related Scripture passages are included, as well as an action step that can be used to grow in the practice and understanding of God's mercy.

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We are so blessed to have His Holiness Pope Francis with us at his time of trial. He understands God's Mercy SO WELL. The greater the need the stronger Mercy becomes, In the Spiritual world Mercy wins, although in the Secular world Justice wins. "God's Mercy is His Justice". Thank you Lord for inspiring Cardinal Walter Kasper to write the wonderful book MERCY. I have by grace received personally experienced God's Mercy; it was grace that completely turned my life around from "the kingdom of self to the Kingdom of God." Oh! the Joy that filled my soul when at the lowest point of my life Jesus forever changed my direction. He came into my aching heart as soon I could receive Him and I experienced His unconditional love, I am free today because I belong to Him. Please a personal word to Pope Francis if I might be so bold Isaiah 43 :25--26 might together

help discern a new alternative penitential rite for those most in need of God's Mercy and specific help by a loving confessor after first being forgiven and belonging in the family of God, along with your merciful understanding of the prodigal sons father as so well declared in this book. Please pray for me,

This is the book our Small Christian Community will cover this Lent. I read the first five chapters and knew our group would love this. It not only has scripture readings, it has additional reference points of verses plus reflections of His Holiness. Space for personal thoughts, and writing. Good reading for individuals, too.

My bible study group is using this as a Lenten study for the Year of Mercy. We like the subject matter and the homilies from Pope Francis, but we have found the questions to be very deep and somewhat repetitive. Our evening sessions take about 30 minutes longer than usual this season. It would be harder to use by yourself, since the challenging questions need input from others to help us all understand.

Our regular bible study group is using this book for a short study time filling out the end of yearly meeting period and it has been working out extremely well for us. It offers a balance of scripture readings for the background of the chapter followed by the homily given by Pope Francis the chapter is based on. The questions at the end of the chapter are food for thought and discussion that tends to stick with you.

This is a great summary of what Pope Francis wants us to do and to be. But it is most important that the reader start with the appendix and reading of his reasons for declaring this a "year of Mercy".

this is a Book to help you let go and let God reclaim your life's joy and peace so that you can move past hurt to live freely as God intended..

This insightful book on Mercy helps us realize how far we still need to understand God's infinite mercy yet how fortunate we are in receiving it. It is a book I will revisit again. Much to gain from Pope Francis' insight into our gospels.

Very timely arrival. I am so pleased. I am thinking of ordering more as gifts to members of a small

discussion group I coordinate. Thank you again. JZM

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