

Invitation to Join Pope Francis in a Moment of Universal Prayer

The Holy Father, at 10:00 a.m. Pacific Time (6:00 p.m. in Rome), Friday, March 27, will address the entire world.

Pope Francis will offer spiritual solace and comfort to the many millions who suffer as a result of the COVID-19 virus. This suffering includes, in addition to the physical suffering of those who have actually contracted the virus, the added suffering of isolation, fear, uncertainty, anxiety, depression and stress. These may lead many to impatience, anger, harshness, hopelessness, rash judgment, and other unloving behaviors. You are encouraged to listen to the Holy Father's address if you can.

The Apostolic Nunciature notes that during this *Statio orbis* (Message to the whole world), Holy Father, Pope Francis will grant to all participants a Plenary Indulgence before imparting His Papal, *Urbi et Orbi* (City and World) Blessing.

The message will be streamed on the Vatican News website: https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html