

PRAYER FOR REGIONAL GATHERING, FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2025

Introduction to Powerpoint On December 29th, in conjunction with the rite of opening of the Holy Door in the Papal Basilica of St John Lateran in Rome, Bishops celebrated the solemn opening of the Jubilee Year in cathedrals and co-cathedrals across the world. Diocesan pilgrimages were organized throughout the world from a designated church, to the cathedral, a sign of the journey of hope that, illuminated by the Word of God, unites believers.

The Holy Year in local Churches will end on Sunday, December 28, 2025, just ahead of the closing of the Holy Door of the Papal Basilica of Saint Peter in the Vatican on January 6, 2026, the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, which will mark the end of the Jubilee.

Call to Prayer: Sung Mantra by Monica Brown

Gather Us O God, Body, Spirit, Soul and Mind

Gather us O God, One in Union now with You.

2025 JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

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