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2025 Jubilee Indulgence



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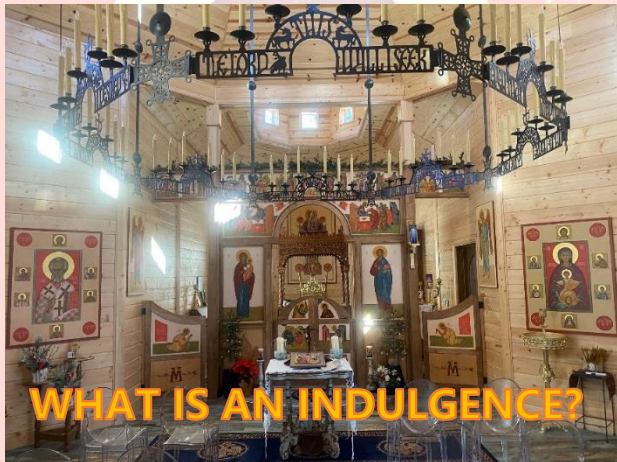


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WHAT IS AN INDULGENCE?

An Indulgence

IS a help towards achieving purification while on earth and while in Purgatory.



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The concept of indulgence

Stems from the Eastern and Western Catholic understanding of sin, repentance, and the mercy of God. When a person sins, they incur both:

- 1. Eternal punishment**

Separation from God, remitted through the Sacrament of Confession.

- 2. Temporal punishment**

The consequences or “wounds” left by sin that remain even after forgiveness.

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What is an indulgence?

The doctrine and practice of indulgences in the Church are closely linked to the effects of the sacrament of Penance. “An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints.”

“An indulgence is partial or plenary according as it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin.” The faithful can gain indulgences for themselves or apply them to the dead. (St. Paul VI, apostolic constitution, Indulgentiarum doctrina.)



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There are two kinds of indulgences:

1. Plenary Indulgence – Removes all temporal punishment due to sin.

A plenary indulgence which is what you can receive at this Shrine during the Jubilee year, requires full adherence to specific conditions given in this pamphlet and obtained here at the Shrine!

2. Partial Indulgence – Removes part of the temporal punishment.

A partial indulgence can be obtained through certain prayers, good works, or acts of devotion.





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Scripture and Theological background

This understanding is rooted in Sacred Scripture:

1. **2 Samuel 12:13-14:** After David's sin with Bathsheba, the prophet Nathan declares God's forgiveness but also announces temporal consequences for David's sin.
2. **1 Corinthians 3:15:** Paul speaks of purification "as through fire," often interpreted as purgatory, where temporal punishment is cleansed.

The forgiveness of sin and restoration of communion with God entail the remission of the eternal punishment of sin, but the temporal punishment of sin remains. An example of this can be seen in 2 Samuel 12, when, after David

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repents of his sin, the prophet Nathan tells him that he is forgiven, but, "Thus says the Lord God of Israel:....Now, therefore, the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised me and have taken the wife of Uriah to be your wife.

The theological development of indulgences arises from the Church's belief in the Communion of Saints and the Treasury of Merit. The Catholic Church teaches that indulgences draw on the treasury of merit accumulated by Jesus's death on the cross and the virtues and penances of the saints.

The Treasury of Merit consists of:

- **The infinite merits of Christ's sacrifice.**
- **The prayers, good works, and sufferings of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the saints.**



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Who decides on the indulgences?

The Church, through the power given by Christ: 'And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.'" (Mt. 16:19; Mt 18:18)

Both partial and plenary indulgences can be granted by the diocesan bishop or eparch, by the major archbishop, metropolitan and patriarch, by the cardinal, as well as by the Pope and the Apostolic Penitentiary.



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How do indulgences help the People of God?

Indulgences do not take the place of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Indulgences are not a “pardon for sin” but a spiritual aid for the faithful to grow in holiness and to repair the temporal damage caused by sin.

Earning an Indulgence will:

- Encourage deeper conversion and penance.
- Inspire acts of charity, prayer, and sacrifice.
- Help the faithful grow closer to God and others in the communion of the Saints.
- Assist souls in purgatory.
- Remove temporal punishment for you.



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Obtaining Indulgences in the Jubilee Year

The Jubilee Year 2025, with the theme “Pilgrims of Hope,” is an opportunity for spiritual renewal. The Church offers plenary indulgences to the faithful who fulfill certain conditions during the Jubilee. These conditions include:

1. Pilgrimage to a designated Holy Site (The Mary Undoer of Knots Shrine).
2. Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation within a reasonable time from the day of pilgrimage.
3. Receive the Eucharist, preferably on the day of the pilgrimage.
4. Pray an Our Father, Hail Mary, or any suitable prayer for the Holy Father’s intentions.
5. Be free from any attachment to sin, even venial sin. A sincere desire for holiness is essential.





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