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# Invigorated by Pope Francis: A Renewed Look at Our Faith

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## Catholic Charities

Our Vision:  
**Poverty for No One;  
Opportunity for Everyone**

27,000 clients per year: Housing, shelter, early childhood enrichment, aging services, prenatal, refugee resettlement, etc.



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- We work with People experiencing Homelessness




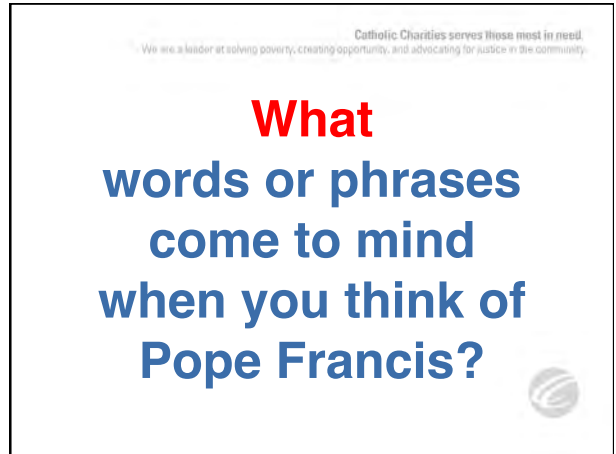
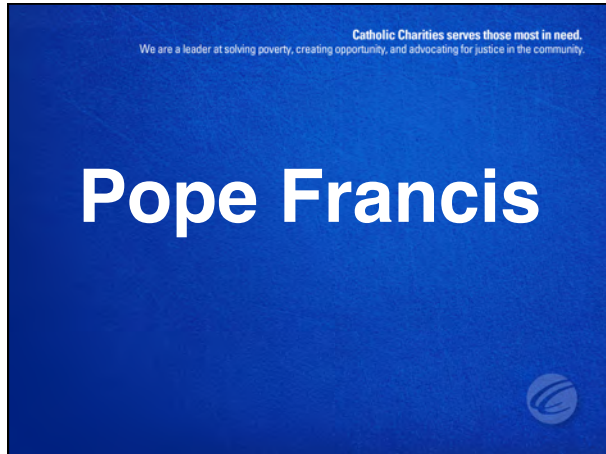

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## Over-view:

- Pope Francis and his papacy
- “Joy of the Gospel:” a look into one of Pope Francis’ major writings
- Looking at the Challenge before us and might this invigorate our faith today


**Ultimately this is time for reflection for YOU!**





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# 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Pope Francis' election



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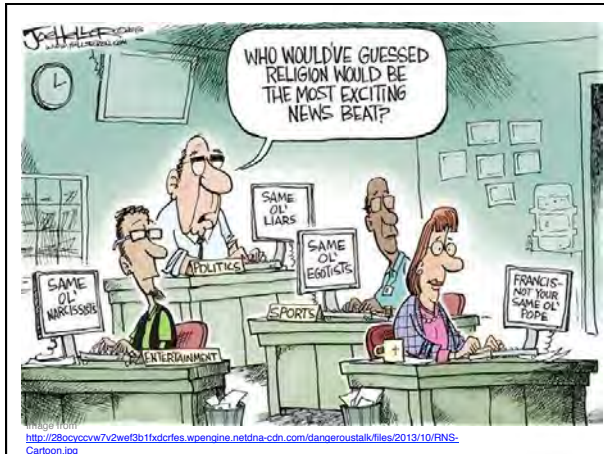


LIFE

Pope Francis

The Vicar of Christ  
from Saint Peter  
to Today





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**One Year  
into his Papacy,  
85% of the general public  
expressed favorable views of  
Pope Francis.**

Pew- March 6, 2014

**Pew Research: Pope's popularity continues to grow in U.S.,  
with 95% favorable rating among Catholics**

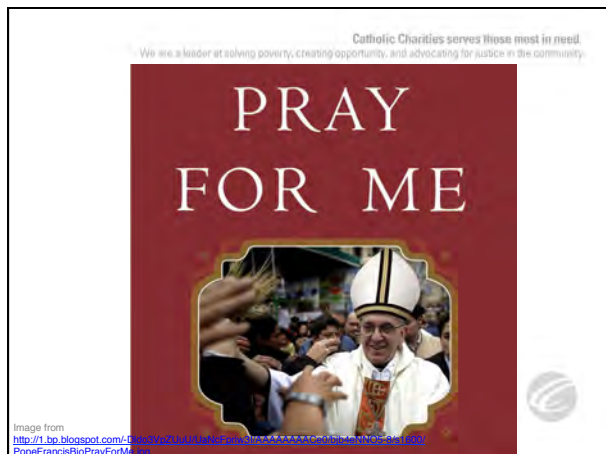
March 5, 2015 by Deacon Greg Kandra



Pew- March 5, 2015

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**WHY**  
**is there so much  
excitement & energy  
surrounding  
Pope Francis?**



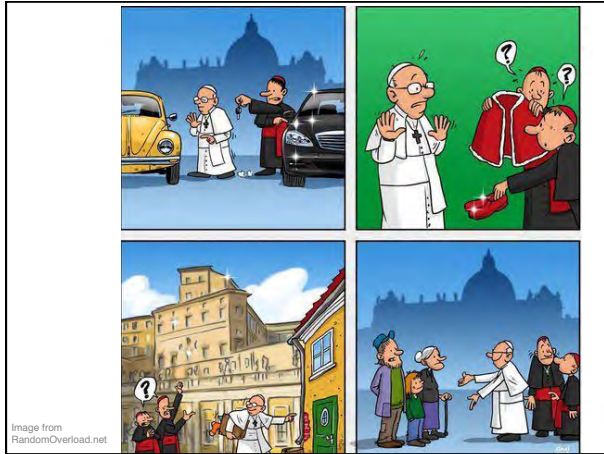


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**Pope Francis has renounced the grand papal penthouse on the top floor of the Vatican's Apostolic Palace in favor of a modest two-room residence.**

The Pope's spokesman said he was "trying out this type of simple living" in a communal building with other priests.

In doing so Pope Francis has broken a tradition which is more than a century old.

The decision reinforces the newly-elected Pope's austere reputation. As archbishop of Buenos Aires he refused to move into the Bishop's Palace.

Preferring more modest accommodation, Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio also often cooked his own meals.

Article from <http://www.bellnews.com/2013/03/27/world/europe-news/pope-francis-renounces-grand-papal-apartment-in-favor-of-two-room-residence/>



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**Pope Francis: 'All I want is to go out for a pizza!'**

By David Gibson [Print](#) [Share](#)  
Article Vatican  
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(RNS) The "Pope of the Interview" strikes again: Pope Francis has given a lengthy — and fascinating — interview to a Mexican television station, which broadcast it on Friday (March 13) to mark the second anniversary of his election.

Speaking to the program *Noticiero Televisa*, Francis displays his usual candor, dishing details about the secret conclave that elected him, talking about how he senses his papacy will be short, how the church must get tough on sexual abuse, and how all he really wants "is to go out one day, without being recognized, and go to a pizzeria for a pizza."

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**In the words  
of our youth,  
“he’s the real deal”**




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**Coming very soon...**

**2. A rock star in America**


Francis will visit the United States in September for the first time both as pope and in his life, traveling to Washington, DC; New York, and Philadelphia. Word out of Rome is that the pontiff is nervous

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**What  
is Pope Francis  
really all about?**



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**Initial  
THEMES**






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### Why the name of “FRANCIS”?


- YES, a Jesuit chose the name of St. Francis of Assisi.
- But why Francis?



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### Why the name of “FRANCIS”?


- The pope clearly explained, “Immediately I thought of St. Francis of Assisi. Francis was a man of peace, a man of poverty, a man who loved and protected creation.”



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### Why the name of “FRANCIS”?


- He chose the name Francis, and he explained:  
“How I would love a church that **is** poor and **for** the poor.”



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### FRANCIS’ Papacy is about?


- Peace
- Poverty
- Loving & protecting creation



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## FRANCIS' Papacy is about?

- Peace



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## Praying for Peace...



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## Working for Peace...





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## Praying for Peace...

Peace is a precious gift,  
which must be promoted  
and protected...  
Never has the use of  
violence brought peace  
in its wake.  
War begets war,  
violence begets  
violence.

Pope Francis  
*Reflecting on Syria, 9/1/13*

#PrayforPeace






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- Poverty



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**Remember:**


- Pope Francis has repeatedly said:  
**“How I would love a Church that is poor and for the poor.”**



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What is a Church that  
**“is for the poor”?**

**BUT...Who are the “poor”?**



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Maybe Pope Francis  
is showing us  
**who are the “poor”**  
through his actions?






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**Why the name FRANCIS?**  
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**BUT...**how might the Pope be  
challenging our definition of  
the “poor?”



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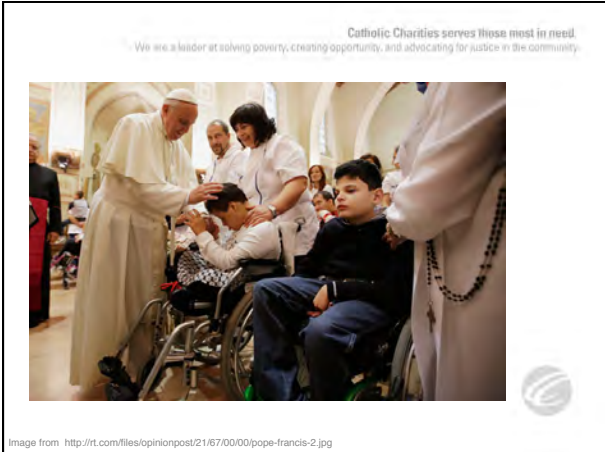
**Visiting those in prison**

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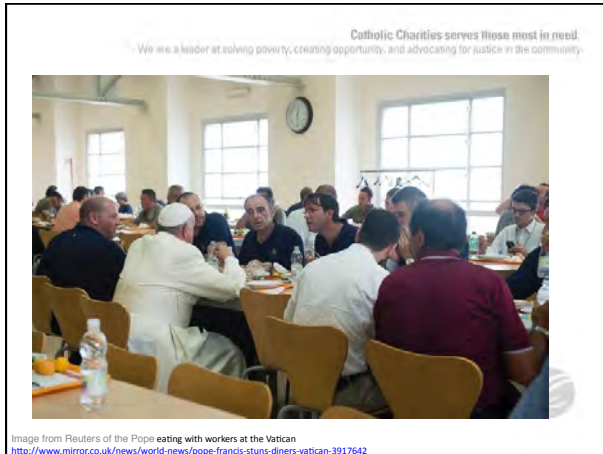




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“The church must  
take leave of itself and  
go to the peripheries...”


- Pope Francis, at the time of his election as pope.



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“If we step outside of ourselves, we will find poverty,” Pope Francis said, repeating his call for Catholics to do more to seek out those on the fringes of society who need help the most...”

- Pope Francis, May 18, 2013




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**Human dignity & the “poor”**

- “never tire of working for a more just world, marked by greater solidarity! No one can remain **insensitive to the inequalities** that persist in the world!”

-Text from 7/25/2013 during a World Youth Day visit to a slum community in Rio, Brazil  
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## Human dignity...

“The measure of the greatness of a society is found in **the way it treats those most in need, those who have nothing apart from their poverty!**”

-Pope Francis,

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## Pope: ‘Dignity, not charity’ for the poor

By NICOLE WINFIELD  
Associated Press

ROME - Pope Francis demanded a more just distribution of the world's bounty for the poor and hungry Tuesday, telling a United Nations conference on nutrition that access to food is a basic human right that shouldn't be subject to market speculation and

quests for profit. “We ask for dignity, not for charity,” Francis told the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization.

His speech came a day after more than 170 countries at the conference adopted new voluntary guidelines to prevent malnutrition, promote healthful diets and reduce obesity.

Currently, one-third of the world's population suffers

from nutritional deficiencies of the sort that caused 45 percent of all child deaths in 2013, according to U.N. data.

Francis recalled that when St. John Paul II addressed the first U.N. conference on nutrition in 1992, he warned against the risk of the “paradox of plenty,” in which there is food for everyone, but not everyone can eat, while waste, excessive

consumption and the use of food for other purposes is visible before our very eyes.”

Francis has frequently spoken about the plight of the poor and hungry, denouncing the “scourge of hunger” during his Easter address this year.

The U.N. estimates that a third of all the food that is produced around the world is lost to waste and spoilage.

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Image from Minneapolis Star Tribune, Nov. 21, 2014




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## Human dignity & the “poor”

- “Everybody, according to his or her particular opportunities and responsibilities, should be able to make a personal contribution to putting an end to so many social injustices.”


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**On the environment...**

*“Take good care of creation.  
St. Francis wanted that.  
People occasionally forgive, but  
nature never does.  
If we don’t take care of the  
environment, there’s no way of  
getting around it”*


-Pope Francis,

Text from a meeting with the Ecuador President on April 22, 2013



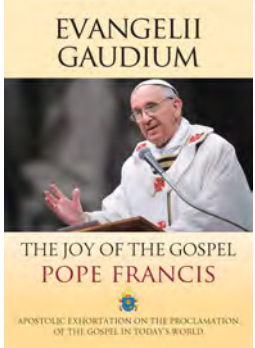

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**Pope Francis:  
Encouragement**





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THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL  
POPE FRANCIS

APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION ON THE PROCLAMATION  
OF THE GOSPEL IN TODAY'S WORLD




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## The Essence of this JOY?

- “God’s saving LOVE...”

-Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 2013, Ch.3, #165




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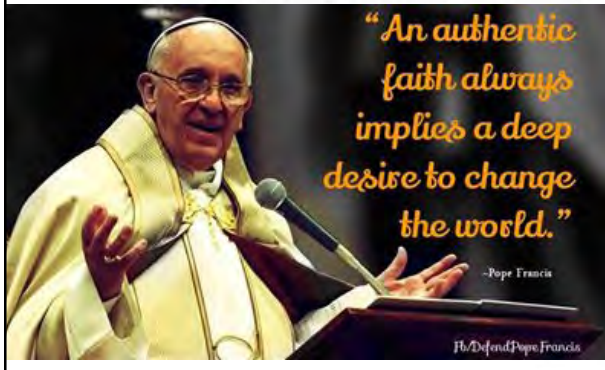
## The New Evangelization

- “All of us are called to take part in this new missionary ‘going forth’.”

-Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 2013, Ch.1, #20



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“An authentic faith always implies a deep desire to change the world.”

-Pope Francis


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**Small Group Discussion:**

- What does our conversation stir/ invigorate in you?
- How are the pope's words and actions really not merely about the pope, but also about our faith & community?



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**Thank you!!**

– Catholic Charities Office for Social Justice has a variety of other specialized presentations available including on Pope Francis, the Joy of the Gospel, Catholic Social Teaching, etc.

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