



# AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE

**Follow the Australian Journey to World Youth Day with Live Web cast on Xt3.com**

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Many friends, family and parishioners will have the opportunity to follow Australia's journey to the city of mercy as 2,500 World Youth Day pilgrims travelling to Poland with the live web cast of events from Krakow through the digital platform Xt3.com.

From 26-31 July, main events from Krakow will be broadcast live at: [www.xt3.com/live](http://www.xt3.com/live).

Xt3, meaning Christ in the Third Millennium, is a website and digital resource that began in 2008 during World Youth Day, Sydney, as a way to connect pilgrims. It has since developed into a hub of Catholic online resources. Hosted by the Archdiocese of Sydney, Xt3 is a digital resource where Catholic events can be viewed live from the comfort of your own home, such as the meeting of Pope Francis with the youth of the world in Krakow during World Youth Day this month.

Given the international time difference, the World Youth Day events will be available to watch at any time after the live web cast has been broadcast.

A unique feature of the Xt3 live web cast is the ability for viewers to comment online and join in solidarity with those present and others watching from around the world. Social media posts using the hash tag #AussiePilgrims will be published on screen during the live web cast.

On Tuesday 26 July the live webcast will begin with the Opening Mass celebrated by the Archbishop of Krakow. Other live streamed events include the arrival of Pope Francis and his official welcome with the young people on Thursday 28 July, the Way of the Cross enactment on Friday 29 July, the evening vigil with the Holy Father on Saturday 30 July and the closing Mass on Sunday 31 July. Additional date and time details are available from: [www.xt3.com/live](http://www.xt3.com/live).

A uniquely Australian event at World youth Day is the Australian Gathering which can also be viewed on Xt3.com as 2,500 Australian pilgrims join with half of the Catholic Bishops Conference from Australia who will make the journey to accompany their young people. Also present will be the Australian Ambassador to Poland and representatives from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

The live stream is being made available through Xt3.com with thanks to Salt and Light Television, a Catholic Media Foundation that began after the World Youth Day in Toronto in 2002.

All are invited to watch the live events, join in with the live chat portal and share the experience with Aussie youth in Krakow with Pope Francis for the WYD celebrations.

The ACBC will share stories, photos and videos about the Australian experiences throughout WYD via the ACBC website, Facebook and Twitter, follow [@ACBCYouthMin](https://www.facebook.com/ACBCYouthMin) and [@ACBC1](https://www.facebook.com/ACBC1) or visit [Catholic.org.au/](http://Catholic.org.au/)

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