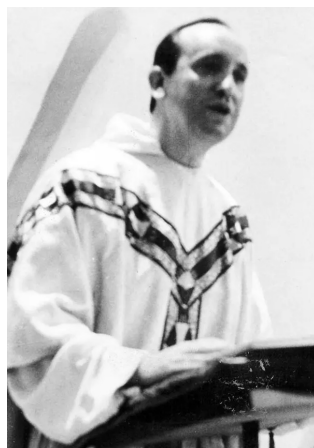
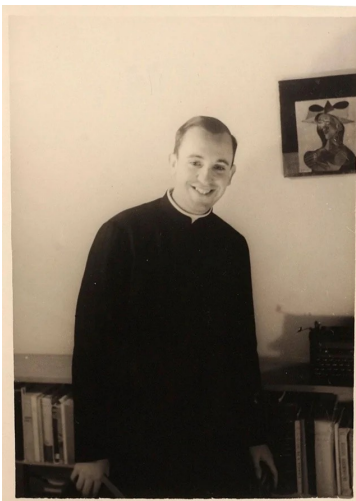




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The Angels came down to take him home to our Father in Heaven



POPE FRANCIS

Holy Father, His Holiness, Bishop of Rome, Vicar of Jesus Christ, Successor of the Prince of the Apostles, Supreme Pontiff of the Universal Church, Primate of Italy, Archbishop and Metropolitan of the Roman Province, Sovereign of the State of Vatican City, and Servant of the Servants of God.

Born Jorge Mario Bergoglio on 17 December 1936; Ordained a Priest on 13 December 1969; Consecrated Bishop on 27 June 1992; Created Cardinal on 21 February 2001; Elected Pope on 13 March 2013; Died on 21 April 2025.

Funeral: Saturday 26th April 2025 at 9am (UK Time)

Pope Francis

Requiescat in pace requiescat in pace et resurget in gloria



With deep sorrow, I inform you that Our Holy Father Pope Francis, passed away today Easter Monday 21 April 2025 at 7.35am at the age of 88 at his residence in the Vatican's Casa Santa Marta.

Pope Francis, served as Supreme Pontiff of the Catholic Church from 13th April 2013 to 21st April 2025. He was elected the 266th Pope since Saint Peter.

Pope Francis was born as Jorge Mario Bergoglio on 17 December 1936 in Flores, a neighbourhood of Buenos Aires, Argentina. He was the eldest of five children, of Italian immigrants. His family left Italy in 1929 to escape fascist rule.

In honour of Pope Francis, the Vatican Flag outside our Parish flies at half-mast.

On the Sanctuary, you will find a Tribute Picture of Pope Francis and a place for you to light candles to pray for the repose of his soul, and to give thanks to God for his holiness, mercy, true Faith and humble service to the Church. You will find a Book of Condolence for Pope Francis if you would like to leave a few words of gratitude for his life. May he rest in peace, and rise in glory. Amen.

Pope Francis

Prayer for the Repose of the Soul of Pope Francis

O God, faithful rewarder of souls,
grant that your departed servant Pope Francis,
whom you made successor of Peter
and shepherd of your Church,
may happily enjoy for ever
in your presence in heaven the mysteries of your grace
and compassion, which he faithfully ministered on earth.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever:
Amen.

Eternal rest, grant unto him O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him,
May he rest in peace.
Amen.

May the soul of Pope Francis
and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God rest in peace.
Amen.