



HE'S COMING!

September 2015 | Philadelphia, USA

— World Meeting of Families —

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Fast 4 Francis

prayer and fasting from Sept 18 - 26 for the Holy Father's visit

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Pope Francis Trip to the Americas
Mr. McCarville Sept. 2015

Tuesday Sept. 22



- Arrive from Cuba.
- Land at Joint Base Andrews outside of Washington, DC.

Wed. Sept. 23

- Meet with President Obama
- Parade through Washington and the Mall.
- Midday prayer at St. Matthews Cathedral.



Wed. Sept. 23-DC

- Afternoon Canonization of Junipero Serra-Shrine of the Immaculate Conception



Thursday Sept. 24-DC

- **9:20 a.m.** Address to Joint Meeting of the United States Congress. The first pope to do this.
- **11:15 a.m.** Visit to St. Patrick in the City and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington DC
- **4:00 p.m.** Depart from Joint Base Andrews



Thur. Sept. 24-New York City

- **5:00 p.m.**
Arrival at John F. Kennedy International Airport
- **6:45 p.m.**
Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St. Patrick's Cathedral



Friday Sept. 25- New York City

- **8:30 a.m.** Visit to the United Nations and Address to the United Nations General Assembly
- **11:30 a.m.** Multi-religious service at 9/11 Memorial and Museum, World Trade Center
- **4:00 p.m.** Visit to Our Lady Queen of Angels School, East Harlem
- **5:00 p.m.** Procession through Central Park (time approximate)
- **6:00 p.m.** Mass at Madison Square Garden





Sat. Sept. 26-NYC & Philadelphia

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 (NEW YORK CITY, PHILADELPHIA)

8:40 a.m. Departure from John F. Kennedy International Airport

9:30 a.m. Arrival at Atlantic Aviation, Philadelphia

10:30 a.m. Mass at Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

4:45 p.m. Visit to Independence Hall

7:30 p.m. Visit to the Festival of Families Benjamin Franklin Parkway



Sunday Sept. 27- Philadelphia

- **9:15 a.m.** Meeting with bishops at St. Martin's Chapel, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
- **11:00 a.m.** Visit to Curran-Fromhold Correctional Facility - Philadelphia



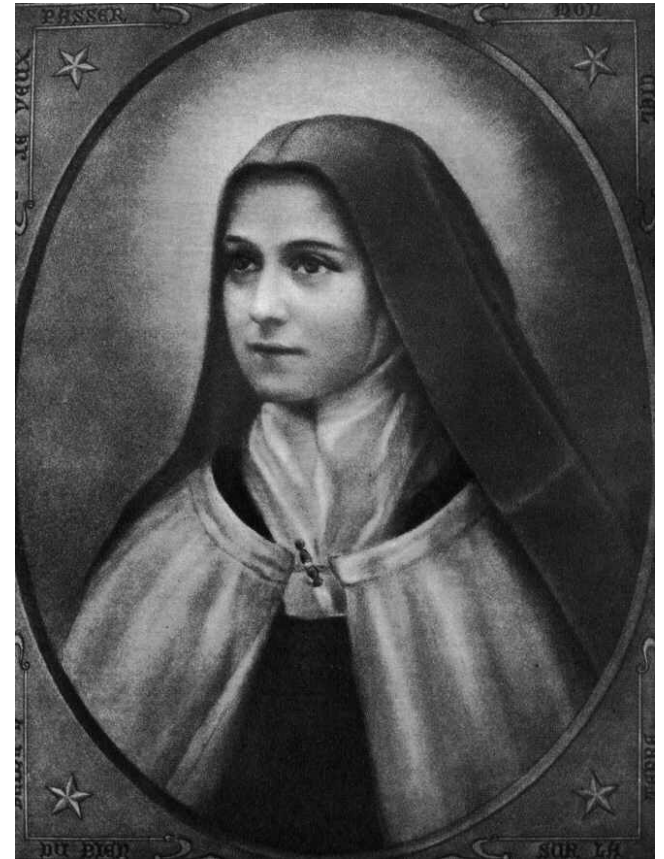
Sunday Sept. 27-Philadelphia

- **4:00 p.m.** Mass for the conclusion of the World Meeting of Families, Benjamin Franklin Parkway
- **7:00 p.m.** Visit with organizers, volunteers and benefactors of the World Meeting of Families, Atlantic Aviation
- **8:00 p.m.** Departure for Rome



Personal information about Pope Francis

His favorite saint is
Therese of Lisieux. “When
I have a problem, I don’t
ask her to solve it, I ask
her to help me accept it.”



He is from Argentina

He is the first
Jesuit pope and
the first pope
from the
Southern
Hemisphere-
Argentina.



Education

He has a título (degree) in chemistry from Escuela Técnica Industrial No. 12 and worked as a chemist before entering the seminary.



Homesickness

He gets homesick. When he was archbishop of Buenos Aires he said, “I always try to avoid traveling because I am a homebody.”



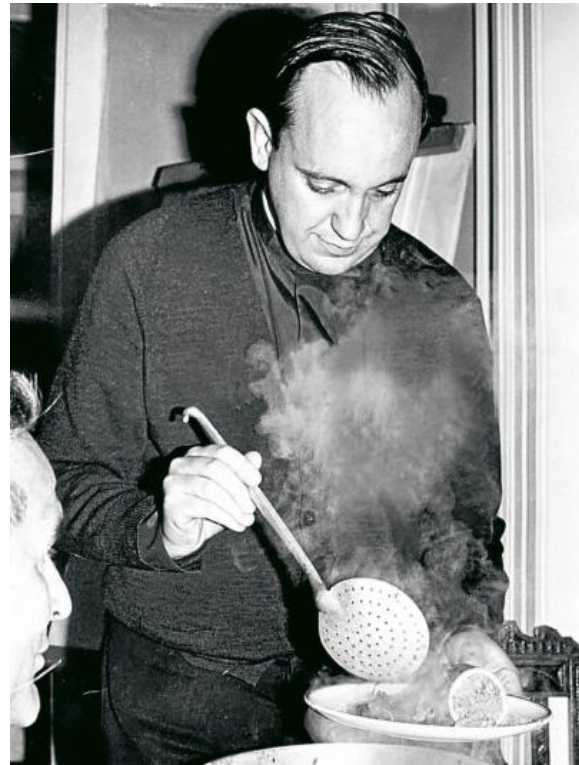
Soccer fan

He is a big fan of the San Lorenzo de Almagro soccer club from his old neighborhood.



Humble man

As archbishop of Buenos Aires he cooked his own meals, took public transportation, and lived in a simple apartment.



Vehicles

He has used a Fiat, Renault, and a Ford Focus as his personal car. He did not use the Mercedes-Benz armored Popemobile of Benedict earlier this year but a modest Kia.



Parents were Immigrants

There were five children in his family and his parents moved to Argentina from Italy.



Multilingual

He is fluent in Spanish, Italian, and German. He can also speak English, French and Portuguese.



Traveler

He renewed his passport as an Argentinean citizen rather than use his position as the leader of the Catholic Church to get a Vatican City passport.



Friend of the Homeless

- He has occasionally “snuck out” of the Vatican to visit the homeless at night.
- He built showers for them at the Vatican.
- On his birthday, he donated 400 sleeping bags to the homeless.



“Slum Bishop”



He was nicknamed the “slum bishop” because during his tenure as archbishop he doubled the number of priests serving in the poor neighborhoods.

Most Valuable Possessions



He said his breviary “is the first thing he opens in the morning and the last thing he closes before he goes to bed at night.”

In the event of a fire, Pope Francis would rescue his breviary (prayer book) and his appointment book (planner.)

He was named 2013 Time Person of the Year. He was on the cover of Rolling Stone in 2014.



Important Person



Meek and Humble



He believes in the “virtue of love, to make room for others with a gentle approach. Meekness entices me enormously! I always ask God to grant me a meek heart.”



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