



The Catholic Women's League of Canada

MEMO

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The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops ([CCCCB](#)) Office for Family and Life is anticipating the upcoming “Holy Year of Hope,” the Ordinary Jubilee Year 2025, which begins on December 24, 2024, and closes on January 6, 2026. The CCCB *Ad Hoc* Committee for the Preparation of the Jubilee recently published extensive resources for the year, including webinars, pastoral toolkits, for adult and child formation, social media assets, prayer cards and more.

Resources available from the CCCB to help promote the Jubilee Year in the League:

- [CCCCB Adult Faith Resources on the Jubilee Year 2025](#)
- [Catechetical Activities for Children and Youth](#)
- [Graphic Design Kit](#)
- [Webinar Recordings](#) preparing for the Jubilee 2025

The mini-documentary, [Celebrating 30 Years Since the First World Meeting of Families](#), is a powerful pastoral care tool to be shown during a variety of events, family meetings, pastoral care of the family, marriage preparation courses and catechesis.

Other helpful resources:

- Pope Francis’ [Message for World Youth Day](#) (November 24th)
- [Pastoral Guidelines for the Celebration of the World Youth Day in the Particular Churches](#)
- Papal Address: “[Disability and the Human Condition. Changing the Social Determinants of Disabilities and Building a New Culture of Inclusion](#)”

- [“Guidelines for the Celebration of the Sacraments with Persons with Disabilities”](#)
- CCCB [Press Release](#): Statement and Recommendations following the International Interfaith Symposium on Palliative Care
- The Pope Video, [For those who have Lost a Child](#)

Key Dates for Family and Life—National and International Initiatives

2024

December 3	International Day of Persons with Disabilities
December 24	Opening of the Holy Doors of St. Peter’s Basilica, Jubilee 2025
December 29	Feast of the Holy Family

2025

February 2–8	National Catholic Health Care Week
February 11	World Day of the Sick
April 5–6	Jubilee of the Sick and Healthcare Workers
April 25–27	Jubilee of Teenagers
April 28–29	Jubilee of People with Disabilities
May 11–18	CCCB National Family & Life Week 2025
May 30–June 1	Jubilee of Families, Children, Grandparents and the Elderly
June 7–8	Jubilee of Ecclesial Movements, Associations and New Communities
June 14–15	Jubilee of Sport
July 27	World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
July 28–August 3	Jubilee of Youth