



**THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS
ENTRUSTED TO HIS WORLDWIDE PRAYER NETWORK
FOR THE YEAR 2021**

JANUARY

Intention for evangelization - *Human fraternity*

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

FEBRUARY

Universal intention - *Violence against women*

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

MARCH

Intention for evangelization - *Sacrament of reconciliation*

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

APRIL

Universal intention - *Fundamental rights*

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

MAY

Universal intention - *The world of finance*

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

JUNE

Intention for evangelization - *The beauty of marriage*

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

JULY

Universal intention - *Social friendship*

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

AUGUST

Intention for evangelization - *The Church*

Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

SEPTEMBER

Universal intention - *An environmentally sustainable lifestyle*

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

OCTOBER

Intention for evangelization - *Missionary disciples*

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

NOVEMBER

Universal intention - *People who suffer from depression*

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

DECEMBER

Intention for evangelization - *Catechists*

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Vatican, 31st January 2020

Francis