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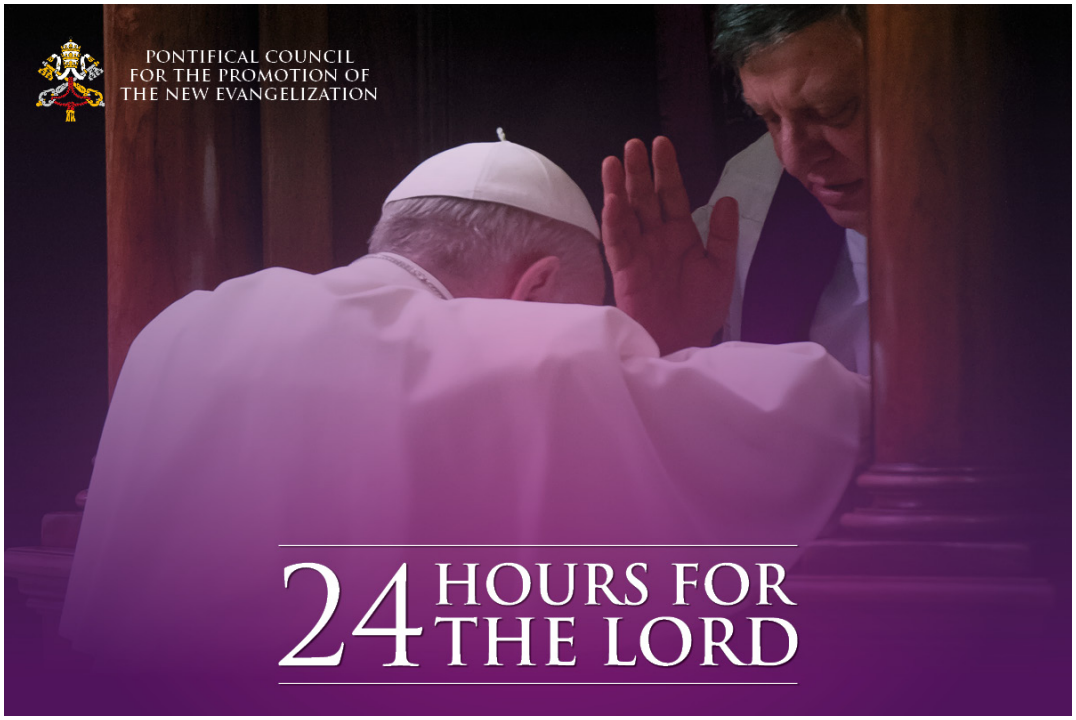

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An important Lenten appointment for prayer and a good opportunity to go to Confession.

This year's recurrence will take place under restricted circumstances, due to the Covid-19 coronavirus pandemic.

Unfortunately in Rome, Italy, and in other nations this initiative cannot be held under its traditional format due to the coronavirus emergency,

But he urged Catholics in countries without restrictions on gatherings to continue his beautiful tradition.

I encourage the faithful to draw near sincerely to the mercy of God in Confession and to pray especially for those suffering due to the pandemic.

For those who are unable to participate directly in the 24 Hours for the Lord initiative he is certain they will be able to experience this penitential moment through personal prayer.

Pope Francis

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announcement

Celebration of *24 Hours for the Lord* in 2020

Due to the emergency situation in Italy and Rome linked to the coronavirus COVID-19, the usual Penitential Celebration at which Pope Francis should have presided in Saint Peter's Basilica this forthcoming Friday, March 20, at 17:00, has been cancelled.

This state of affairs, which persists in many countries, will make it difficult for many of the faithful to celebrate *24 Hours for the Lord* which requires churches to be open in order to adore Christ in the Eucharist and receive His forgiveness in the Sacrament of Confession. However, we ask the faithful experiencing this emergency to maintain as far as possible the penitential character of *24*

Hours for the Lord, by, for example, meditating and praying before a Crucifix. We ask all the faithful, even those who are able to celebrate *24 Hours for the Lord* as in previous years, to pray for the Holy Father, for Bishops and Clergy everywhere, and for all those who in our societies are invested with responsibility for the common good, for medical care, for public order, and, not least, for those who are sick or who have loved ones who are so.

The Pastoral Aid for *24 Hours for the Lord* is available on the website of the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization in the following languages: Italian, English, Spanish and Polish. On the same site, it continues to be possible for Dioceses, Parishes, Religious Communities, Shrines, Movements, Lay Associations and all organizations engaged in the New Evangelization to report how they will or have celebrated *24 Hours for the Lord*.

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