

POPE FRANCISANGELUSSaint Peter's Square

Sunday, 14 April 2019[Multimedia]

Dear Brothers and Sisters Good morning,

I greet all of you who participated in this celebration and those who joined us through the various means of communication. I extend this greeting to all the young people who, along with their bishops today, are celebrating Youth Day in every diocese in the world. Dear young people, I invite you to embrace and to live in your everyday lives, the instructions of the recent Apostolic Exhortation *Christus Vivit*, fruit of the Synod that also involved many of your peers. In this text, each of you can find fruitful ideas for your own lives and your own journey of growth in the faith and at the service of your brothers and sisters.

In the context of this Sunday, I wanted to offer all of you, gathered here in Saint Peter's Square, special Rosary beads. These olive wood beads were made in the Holy Land specifically for last January's World Youth Day in Panama and for today's Youth Day. Therefore, I renew my appeal to young people and to all to pray the Rosary for peace, especially for peace in the Holy Land and in the Middle East.

And now let us turn to the Virgin Mary, that she may help us live well Holy Week. Angelus Domini

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