



Year of Consecrated Life

For all in consecrated life in its various forms around the world

November 29, 2014 to February 2, 2016

50th anniversary of Perfectae Caritatis and Lumen Gentium

3 pronged focus:

- **renewal for men and women in consecrated life,**
- **thanksgiving among the faithful for the service of sisters, brothers, priests, and nuns**
- **invitation to young Catholics to consider a religious vocation.**

US Celebrations:

- **February 8, 2015:** Religious Open House. Events will be coordinated to also celebrate the World Meeting of Families to take place in Philadelphia and will include tours, open houses, receptions, family activities, and presentations on the history of religious communities at convents, abbeys, monasteries and religious houses.
- **Summer 2015:** Day of Mission and Service with Religious. Events will include joining religious in their ministries or special service projects, such as assisting the elderly, ministering to the poor and homeless, and caring for the less fortunate.
- **September 13, 2015:** Day of Prayer with Religious. Events will include vespers, rosary or holy hours in convents, monasteries, religious houses, parishes and churches

Newark Celebration: October 17, 2015

Resources:

REJOICE! A letter to consecrated men and women from the teachings of Pope Francis.

http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/ccsclife/documents/rc_con_ccsclife_doc_20140202_rallegratevi-lettera-consacrati_en.html

Homepage of Year of Consecrated Life - Videos on consecrated life, Talks from 'Days with Religious' and Prayer Card (PDF ready to download)

<http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/vocations/consecrated-life/year-of-consecrated-life/index.cfm>

Logos in English and Spanish (ready to download)

<https://nrvn.net/275/article/year-of-consecrated-life-logo-4925>

Wake the World with Dawning Joy (Song)

<https://nrvn.net/275/article/song-wake-the-world-with-dawning-joy-5216>

National Vocation Religious Conference

<https://nrvn.net/275/publication/year-of-consecrated-life-2841>