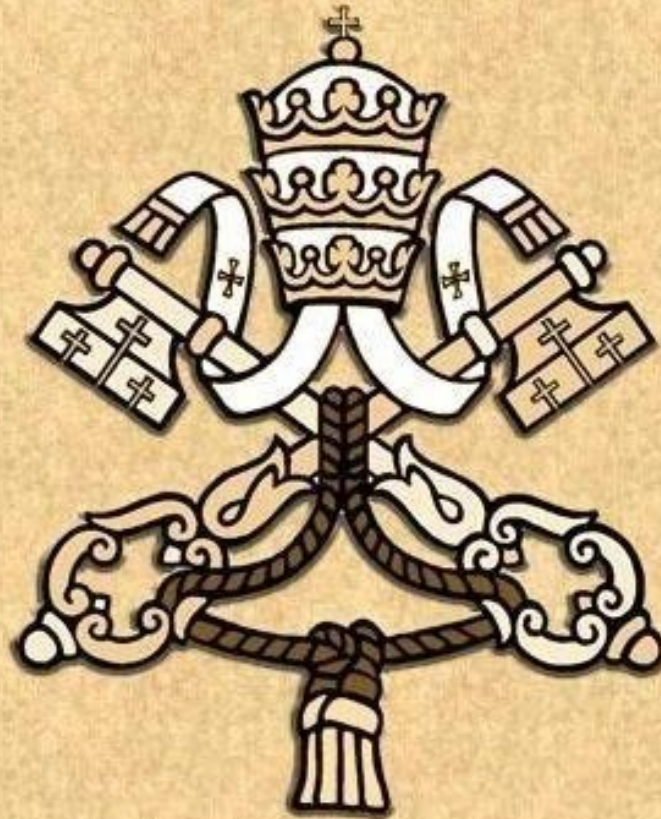


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French Cardinal Jean-Louis Tauran announced the newly elected Pope as **Pope Francis** on the central balcony of St Peter's Basilica. Argentinian Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio was elected as the 266th Pontiff and will lead the world's 1.2 billion Catholics.

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Pope Francis

Born: 17 December 1936 in Buenos Aires

Ordained Priest : 13 December 1969 as a Jesuit.

Ordained Bishop: 20 May 1992 as Bishop of Auca and Auxiliary of Buenos Aires.

Ordained Archbishop: 3 June 1997 as Archbishop of Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Ordained Cardinal: 21 February 2001 by Bl. John Paul II.



Francis

1st

American (N or S)

Jesuit

Non-European in over 1000 years



What is a Jesuit?

A member of the Society of Jesus, sometimes called colloquially "God's Marines".

Founded by Saint Ignatius of Loyola who had a military background and still today members must show a willingness to accept orders anywhere in the world and live in extreme conditions.

Jesuits are known for their work in education, academic research and for their missionary efforts.



Why Francis?

- This may show us three things:
 - his desire to be a force of unity in a divided Church (Franciscans were seen as 'rivals to Jesuits)
 - his heart for the poor
 - his intent to "repair God's house, which has fallen into ruin"... that is, *to rebuild the church*.



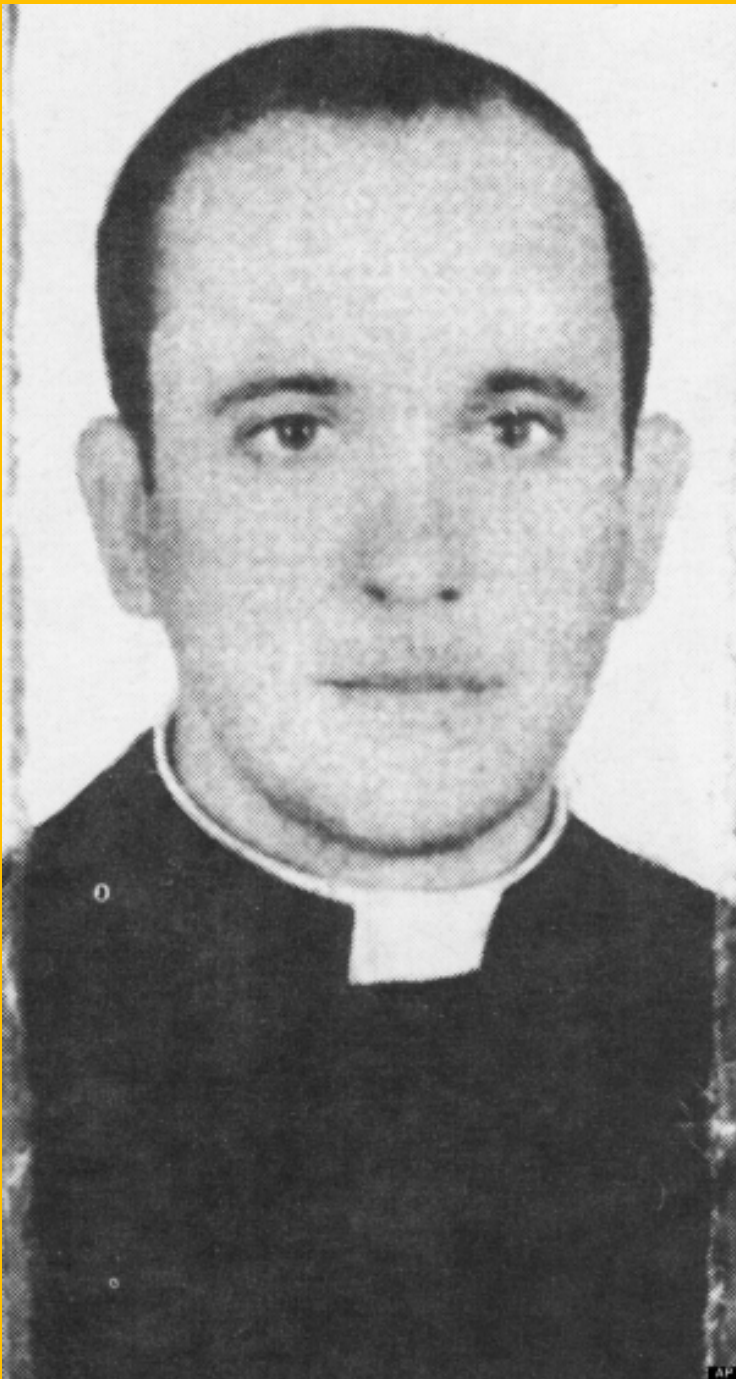
Above: St Francis Xavier SJ
Below: St Francis of Assisi

Life as Cardinal in Argentina

- He chose to live in a simple apartment rather than the archbishop's palace.
- He gave up his chauffeured limousine in favour of taking the bus to work.
- He cooks his own meals.
- He flies economy class to Rome.
- He's known locally simply as "Fr Jorge."
- He told Argentinians not to travel to Rome to celebrate if he was appointed but to give their money to the poor instead.



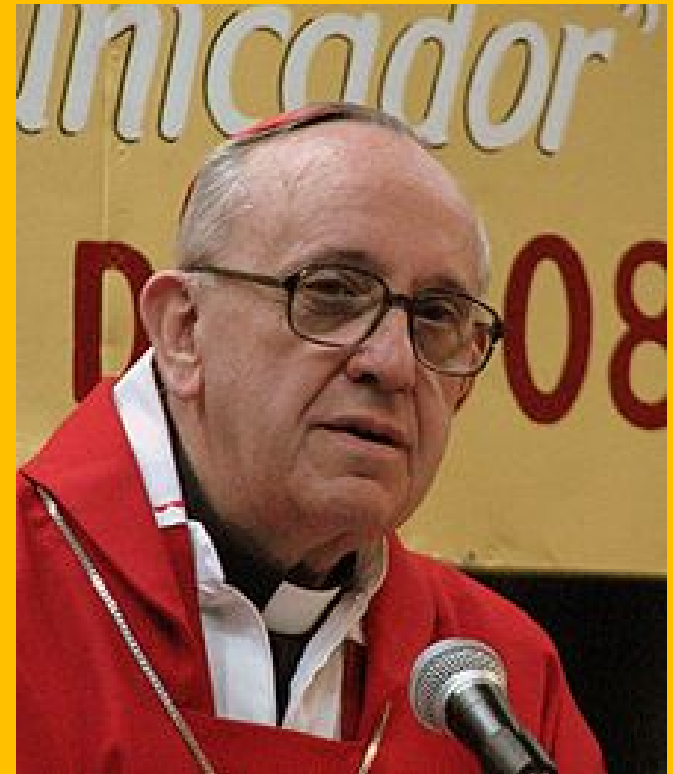
Growing Up



- One of the five children of an Italian railway worker and his wife.
- Taught literature, psychology and philosophy.
- Trained as a chemist.
- Had a tough life under the military Junta of Argentina.
- Has lived for more than 50 years with one functioning lung. He had the other removed as a young man because of infection.
- He speaks fluent Italian, as well as Spanish and German.

Life in the Church

- In 2001 he washed and kissed the feet of Aids patients in a hospice.
- Was very close to being elected as Pope in 2005. He was only beaten by Cardinal Ratzinger who went on to be Pope Benedict XVI.
- He has co-written a book, in Spanish, called *Sobre el Cielo y la Tierra* (On Heaven and Earth).
- He has criticised priests who refuse to baptise babies born to single mothers.
- He believes that condoms "can be permissible" to prevent infection.



Prayer

The first prayer Pope Francis I lead in the Vatican was the Our Father. A sign of united Christians around the world.

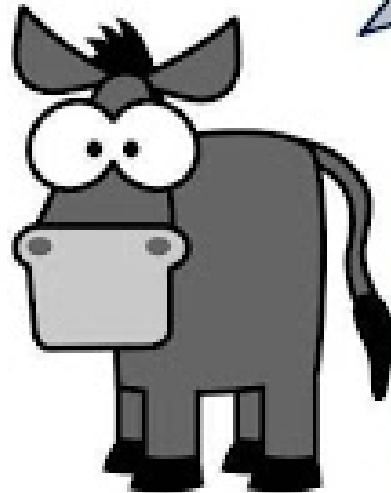


*O God, who in your providential design
willed that your Church be built
upon blessed Peter, whom you set over the other Apostles,
look with favour, we pray, on Francis our Pope
and grant that he, whom you have made Peter's successor,
may be for your people a visible source and foundation
of unity in faith and of communion.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.*

Amen.



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