

Come greet Pope Francis

Pope Francis will meet with various people in different locations, including representatives from the Church, universities, and civil society.

You can greet the Holy Father at the following four locations:

1. **Friday, September 27, between 5:30 PM and 6:00 PM** around St. Peter's Church and in front of the town hall in Leuven. It is recommended to be present by 4:30 PM. No prior registration is required. More info: <https://www.kuleuven.be/bezoekZHFraniscus>
2. **Saturday, September 28, between 9:45 AM and 10:00 AM** in Koekelberg, in front of and around the Basilica. Prior individual registration is mandatory via <https://accreditationpopevisit.be/basilica>. A confirmation document with a QR code will be sent by email and must be shown, along with an ID card, at the entrance of the secured area around the Basilica. Entrance via gate no. 7 (Avenue des Gloires Nationales) and no. 10 (Avenue du Panthéon). There will be no parking available near the Basilica for personal vehicles ;
3. **Saturday, September 28, between 5:30 PM and 5:45 PM** in Louvain-la-Neuve, in the parking area in front of the Aula Magna. Only individuals registered through UCLouvain or the municipality of Ottignies Louvain-la-Neuve are allowed to enter the secured area. More information is available via <https://uclouvain.be/fr/decouvrir/events/rencontre-avec-le-pape-francois.html> and <https://www.olln.be/fr/actualites/le-pape-francois-a-louvain-la-neuve?u=d385bc3a437649d4aed52c79cb62caff> ;
4. **Sunday, September 29, between 9:00 AM and 9:45 AM**, along a route between Brussels Expo and King Baudouin Stadium (Miramar and Empress Joséphine-Charlotte avenues and part of Houba de Strooper avenue). No prior registration is required, but the public must be present by 8:40 AM at the latest. Note: 39,000 people are expected at King Baudouin Stadium, provided they have a reserved seat. Those without tickets will not be admitted to the stadium.

In front of the **Apostolic Nunciature in Sint-Pieters-Woluwe**, some registered groups may gather to greet the Holy Father, according to arrangements with the police. Residents in the area will still have access to their homes.

For all these locations, it is strongly recommended to use **public transport** and arrive early. Police will guide the crowd and ensure that everyone follows the safety/security measures. All attendees are requested to strictly comply with these measures and respect public order.

Among the **safety/security measures** taken, please note that the following items will not be allowed within the security perimeter:

- flags, banners and placards,
- drones,
- any blunt object,
- bags.

There will be no food allowed in the King Baudouin Stadium, but foodtrucks will be available on the grounds.

Depending on the weather, bring water (only small bottles) if it's warm or extra clothing if rain is forecasted.

All seats in King Baudouin Stadium for the Eucharistic celebration on Sunday, September 29, have been assigned. The celebration will be broadcast on television and in churches across Belgium.

In the **National Basilica of Koekelberg**, 3,200 people, including some individuals with limited mobility, can follow the celebration on large screens. Here too, it is strongly recommended to use public transport.

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