

## Accreditations and Authorizations Section

**LOGISTICAL INFORMATION**

Holy Week 2017

*updated on 11/04/2017***Accreditation Procedure – Celebrations of Holy Week 2017****1. ORDINARY Accreditation**

1.1 Journalists and media operators with ORDINARY accreditation may send a request to attend the Holy Week 2017 events by **Tuesday 11 April 2017**, at 12.00 noon, following the usual procedures.

**2. TEMPORARY Accreditation**

2.1 The application form for TEMPORARY accreditation is available online in the Accreditations section of the Holy See Press Office website: [press.vatican.va/accreditamenti](http://press.vatican.va/accreditamenti)

2.2 When compiling the application form for TEMPORARY accreditation, please **indicate the event or one of the events you wish to attend** (see point 6.1).

2.3 Accreditation requested for the Celebrations of Holy Week 2017 will be valid from **09/04/2017 to 19/04/2017** for the following events:

- PALM SUNDAY AND THE PASSION OF THE LORD – HOLY MASS AND ANGELUS (09/04/2017);
- GENERAL AUDIENCE (12/04/2017)
- HOLY THURSDAY – HOLY CHRISM MASS (13/04/2017);
- GOOD FRIDAY – CELEBRATION OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (14/04/2017);
- GOOD FRIDAY - VIA CRUCIS (14/04/2017);
- EASTER VIGIL (15/04/2017)
- EASTER SUNDAY IN THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - HOLY MASS AND URBI ET ORBI BLESSING (16/04/2017)
- EASTER MONDAY - REGINA CAELI (17/04/2017)
- GENERAL AUDIENCE (19/04/2017)

2.4 Unless indicated otherwise, the deadline for requests for TEMPORARY accreditation is **Tuesday 11 April 2017, at 12.00 noon**.

2.5 Applications for accreditation that are **incomplete** or received **after the deadline** indicated in point 2.4 **shall be ignored**.

2.6 Journalists and media operators are informed that, due to the increased volume of requests and the limited space available, priority criteria will be adopted for accreditation procedures, on the basis of which **not all applications will be accepted**.

2.7 For particular conditions or problems relating to the accreditation procedure alone, the office may be contacted via email at [accreditamenti@salastampa.va](mailto:accreditamenti@salastampa.va) or by telephone + 39-06-698.921, at the following times:

**Monday 10/04:** 11:00-13:00

**Tuesday 11/04:** 11:00-13:00

**Wednesday 12/04:** 11:00-13:00.

**3. Distribution of Accreditation Cards**

3.1 Accreditation cards for journalists and media operators will be **distributed at the Holy See Press Office Accreditations Office, located in via della Conciliazione 54**.

3.2 Journalists and media operators who have completed the accreditation procedure for the Celebrations of Holy Week 2017 (see point 6.1) will be able to **collect the accreditation cards** assigned to them **by Wednesday 12 April 2017**, at the following times:

Monday-Wednesday: 11:00-13:00

3.3 **Journalists and media operators unable to collect their accreditation cards in person** are invited to nominate a delegate in writing, who must also procedure a copy of their own valid identity documents..

3.4 Given the likelihood that journalists and media operators will come into contact with documents under embargo, **every accreditation must be accompanied by the signing of a declaration to respect journalism ethics, especially the rules regarding embargo**, either in person or through a delegate (as in point 3.3).

3.5 **Filming and photography are permitted and may be used exclusively for news reporting purposes**, to the extent that public interests exists regarding the publication and distribution of material connected with current events and issues. Journalists and media operators (photo/video) will be required to sign, in person or through a delegate (as in point 3.3), **a declaration of compliance** in this regard.

3.6 At the moment of collecting the TEMPORARY accreditation card, an administrative fee may be charged.

#### 4. Access

4.1 Depending on the influx of journalists and media operators, TEMPORARY accreditation will be **valid for access to the Holy See Press Office during the event indicated**.

4.2 If granted for a specific event, TEMPORARY accreditation will be **valid for access to the press stands or press area specified for the event indicated**, in accordance with the **Access Notes** available online in the Accreditations section of the Holy See Press Office website: [press.vatican.va/accreditamenti](http://press.vatican.va/accreditamenti).

4.3 On the occasion of events in St. Peter's Square, the area equipped for the press is the terrace of the Braccio di Carlo Magno (left side) of the Colonnade of St. Peter's Square, on the side directly facing the parvis.

#### 5. Working methods

5.1 **Live TV transmission of events is forbidden** other than in exceptional cases, to be agreed with the Accreditations and Authorizations Section of the Holy See Press Office.

5.2 Journalists and media operators are reminded that, in order to cover events and in particular liturgical celebrations, as well as to attend briefings and press conferences, they are required to observe suitable codes of dress and behaviour.

5.3 For further information on working methods and access to the events of Holy Week 2017, see the **Access Notes** available online in the Accreditations Section of the Holy See Press Office website: [press.vatican.va/accreditamenti](http://press.vatican.va/accreditamenti)

#### 6. Press Points and Centres

6.1 The following Press Points and Centres will be available:

##### **Holy See Press Office**

Via della Conciliazione, 54

*Opening hours:*

**Sunday 9/04:** 09:00-15:00

**Monday 10/04:** 09:00-15:00

**Tuesday 11/04:** 09:00-15:00

**Wednesday 12/04:** 09:00-15:00

**Thursday 13/04:** 09:00-14:00

**Friday 14/04:** 11:00-14:00

**Saturday 15/04:** 11:00-14:00

**Sunday 16/04:** 09:00-13:00

**Monday 17/04:** 11:00-13:00

**Tuesday 18/04:** 09:00-14:00

##### **Close range Press Points during ceremonies in St. Peter's Square**

***Terrace of Braccio di Carlo Magno***

***(limited number of accredited journalists and media operators)***

access from Via Paolo VI, at the end of the colonnade  
for ceremonies in St. Peter's Square

5.2 Any changes to the timetable indicated above will be communicated promptly.