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Pope Francis to Visit Knights of Columbus-sponsored Mercy Centre in Kraków *Site at Tauron Arena Kraków will host volunteers' meeting pope*

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KRAKÓW – Pope Francis will visit the Knights of Columbus-sponsored Mercy Centre at Tauron Arena Kraków on Sunday, July 31, to greet 12,000 World Youth Day volunteers.

In addition to the 10,000 Polish and 2,000 international volunteers greeting the pope, the Knights of Columbus will be represented by its supreme chaplain, Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore.

The Holy Father is scheduled to arrive at 5:00 p.m. local time (CET). TVP Kraków will livestream the event.

Mercy Centre served throughout the past week as the international English-language catechetical and youth festival site at World Youth Day from July 26-31.

Joining the Knights of Columbus as co-sponsors of the Mercy Centre are the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, the religious congregation best known for promoting the message of Divine Mercy received by the 20th-century Polish nun of the same order St. Faustina Kowalska; the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, D.C.; and the Sisters of Life, a New York-based religious community that works to protect and enhance the sacredness of human life.

Also partnering with the Knights at the Mercy Centre are Salt + Light Television, Holy Cross Family Ministries, the Dominican Liturgical Institute, the National Religious Vocation Conference (NRVC) and the National Council of Diocesan Vocations Directors (NCDVD).

The bishops' conferences of the United States, Canada and Australia also hosted their national gatherings at the Mercy Centre.

NOTE TO MEDIA:

Journalists who are on the list to cover this event should arrive at the Mercy Centre on Sunday by 10:30 a.m. (CET) and absolutely no later than 1:30 p.m. (CET). Journalists should enter by Gate 1 or Gate 3 and must have their passports.

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