



March 23, 2023

Recipients : chairs of the bishops' conferences

Monsignor,

It is with joy that I can announce that our bishop, Monsignor Benoît Rivière, has decreed a great Jubilee to commemorate the 350th anniversary of the apparitions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St Margaret Mary in Paray-le-Monial. The theme of this Jubilee will be « To return love for love ». The Jubilee will open on December 27th 2023, the anniversary of the first main apparition, and will close on June 27th 2025, the solemnity of the feast of the Sacred Heart, the liturgical date of the great apparition of 1675.

1. On this occasion, I would invite you to come and experience a particular time in the sanctuary of the Sacred Heart in Paray-le-Monial. With the whole team of the sanctuary I will be happy to welcome you for a pilgrimage with your diocese at a date suitable to you.
2. Be aware that on the key dates of the Jubilee, the sanctuary is organising in Rome from May 1st to 5th 2024 a symposium on the theme of Reparation.
3. If you wish to celebrate the Jubilee locally by solemnising the two feasts of the Sacred Heart, which will take place in June 2024 and June 2025, you will find resources on our site <https://www.sacrecoeur-paray.org> or on the site <https://www.pierregoursat.com/onglet> « Coeur de Jésus et de Marie » (It is translated into 8 languages).

In the joy of living this Jubilee, I assure you, Monsignor, of my filial prayer for you and your mission.

Father Etienne KERN, Rector

This Jubilee is organised by the sanctuary of the Sacred Heart and is supported by the parish, the Jesuits, the Visitation sisters alongside the other religious communities in Paray-le-Monial