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Notice of Press Conferences

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On **Thursday 1 February 2024**, at 11.30, in the **Holy See Press Office, Sala San Pio X, Via dell'Ospedale 1**, a press conference will be held to present the **Message of the Holy Father Francis for Lent 2024**, on the theme: "Through the desert God leads us to freedom".

The speakers will be:

- **His Eminence Cardinal Michael Czerny, S.J.**, prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development;
- **The Reverend Don Andrea Cavallini**, head of the Office for Catechesis of the diocese of Rome;
- **Professor Emilia Palladino**, associate professor at the Faculty of Social Sciences of the Pontifical Gregorian University;
- **Mauro Pallotta** (aka "Maupal"), artist.

The press conference will be livestreamed in the original language on the Vatican News YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/c/VaticanNews>.

Press Conference of 2 February 2024

On **Friday 2 January 2024**, at **11.30**, in the **Holy See Press Office, Sala San Pio X, Via dell'Ospedale 1**, a press conference will be held to present the first World Children's Day, organized by the Dicastery for Culture and Education, to be held from 25 to 26 May in Rome, and which will involve the participation of Pope Francis and children from all over the world.

The speakers will be:

- **His Eminence Cardinal José Tolentino de Mendonça**, prefect of the Dicastery for Culture and Education;
- **Fr. Enzo Fortunato**, coordinator of World Children's Day;
- **Professor Marco Impagliazzo**, president of the Sant'Egidio Community;
- **Maria Brunelli**, *Auxilium* Cooperative;
- **Aldo Cagnoli**, writer (*video contribution*).

Maria Luisa Grilletta, director of Industrial Planning for Trenitalia, and **Marco Capasso**, architect and creative and multimedia director of World Children's Day, will be present.

The press conference will be livestreamed in the original language on the Vatican News YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/c/VaticanNews>.
