

Our Lady of Peace
Prelatic Church of Opus Dei



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Open from 8.30 a.m. to 8.45 p.m. (from 2-5 p.m., entrance is at Via di Villa Sacchetti, 36).

Mass: Daily 8.30 a.m., 12 noon (except during Holy Week) and 7.30 p.m. There will be no Mass at 7.30 p.m. during July and August.

Confessions: in Italian, English, Spanish, French, German and Portuguese.
To arrange group visits or for a priest to celebrate Mass, please telephone.

Useful telephone numbers:
City Council of Rome:
06-0606 (information)
Radio taxi:
06-3570; 06-4994; 06-8822



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Route from St Peter's Square to Our Lady of Peace

 Information Point of Rome City Council

How to get there

 **By Bus:**

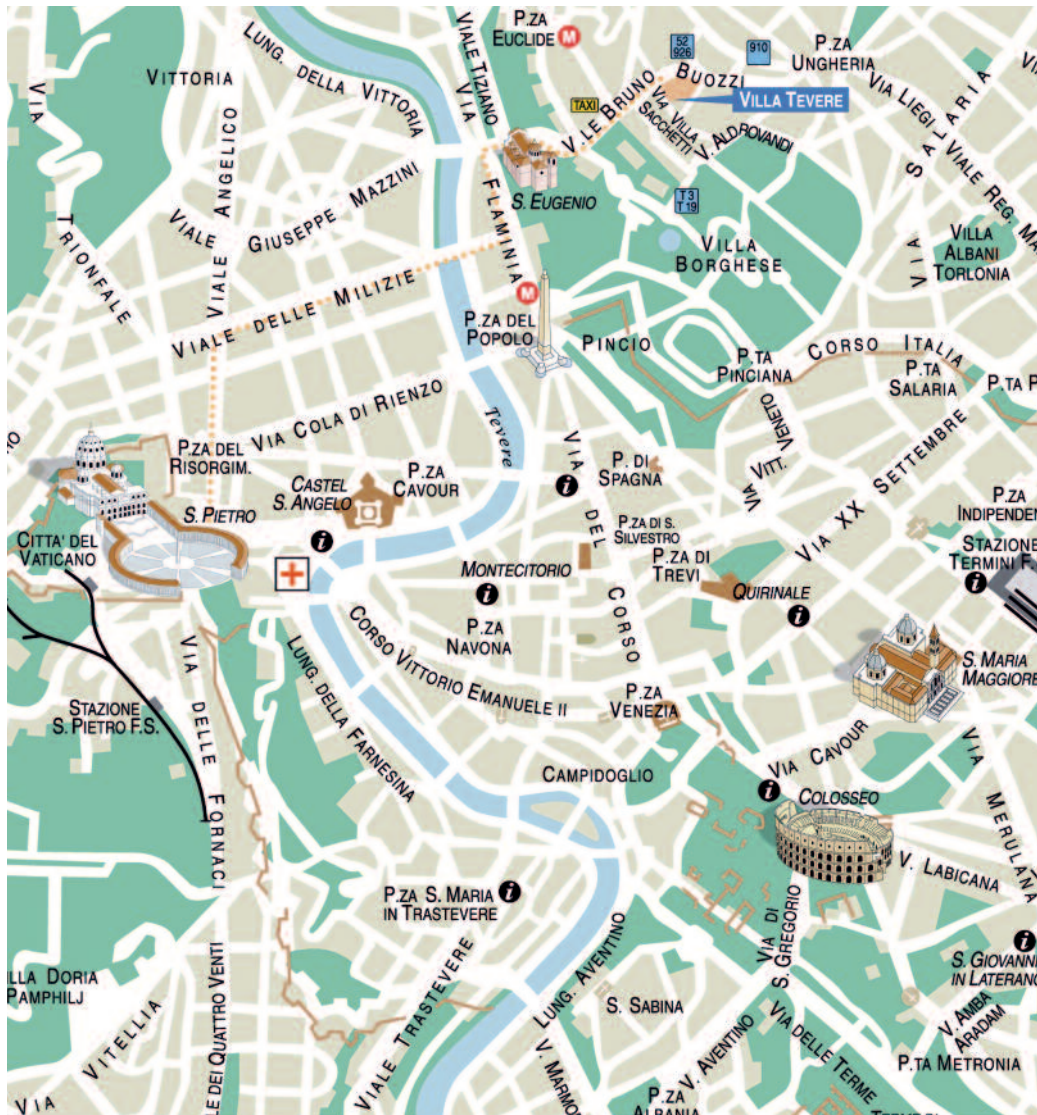
- No 52: From Piazza San Silvestro, getting off at Viale Bruno Buozzi
- No 926: From Piazza Cavour, getting off at Piazza Don Minzoni
- No 910: From Termini Station, getting off at Via F. Siaco

 **By Underground:**

- Line A: Flaminio station (30 minute walk). It is possible to catch Bus No 926 nearby (Via Flaminia, opposite the Naval Ministry)
- Line B: Policlinic station. Take the tram No 3 or No 19, getting off at Via Aldrovandi.

 **By Tram:**

- Line 3 and 19: getting off at Via Aldrovandi.



Rome



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The Prelatic Church of Opus Dei

A place of prayer where the body of Saint Josemaría Escrivá de Balaguer rests.



Saint Josemaría Escrivá de Balaguer in Our Lady of Peace

“God loves all men, and he wants all to love him — everyone, whatever their personal situation, their social position, their work. Ordinary life is something of great value. All the ways of the earth can be opportunities to meet Christ, who calls us to identify ourselves with him and carry out his divine mission — right where he finds us”.

St Josemaría Escrivá

AN INTERCESSOR BEFORE GOD

Saint Josemaría Escrivá de Balaguer was born in Barbastro, Spain in 1902 and ordained to the priesthood in 1925. On 2 October 1928, by divine inspiration, he founded Opus Dei. This has opened up a new way of sanctity in the midst of the world, through ordinary life and the fulfilment of

The baptismal font at which St Josemaría was baptised in 1902 a few days after his birth is located in the atrium of the church. It was donated by the Diocese of Barbastro. His mother, Dolores Albás, and his sister Carmen were also baptised at this font.



Wooden rose which St Josemaría found in 1937 in the woods of Rialp (Pyrenees, Spain). He always considered this a caress from our Lady at a moment of great tribulation. It is on view at the back of the nave.

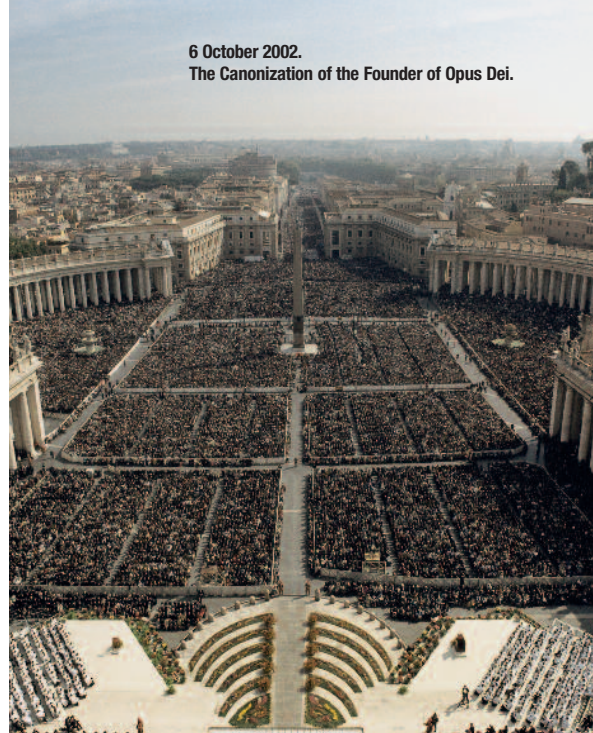
“Saint Josemaría was chosen by the Lord to proclaim the universal call to holiness and to indicate that everyday life, its customary activities, are a path towards holiness. It could be said that he was the saint of the ordinary. He was really convinced that, for whoever lives with an outlook of faith, everything is an opportunity for a meeting with God, everything becomes a stimulus for prayer.”

Pope John Paul II

family, professional and social duties. St Josemaría moved to Rome in 1946, led by his great love for the Church and the universal nature of Opus Dei. From there he spread the message of the calling of all Christians to holiness across the five continents. He died in Rome on 26 June 1975. He was canonized by Pope John Paul II on 6 October 2002.

St Josemaría Escrivá lies under the altar of the Church of Our Lady of Peace. Millions of people all over the world turn to his intercession to gain all kinds of graces from God. Many come to the Prelatic Church to pray for intentions or to give thanks for favours received through his intercession.

6 October 2002.
The Canonization of the Founder of Opus Dei.



Blessed Sacrament Chapel

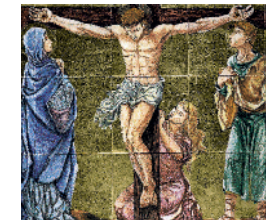


THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF PEACE

On 31 December 1959 St Josemaría celebrated the first Mass in Our Lady of Peace which, since 1982 when Opus Dei was established as a personal prelature, has become the Prelatic Church. St Josemaría's devotion to our Lady gave rise to the name of the church and of the painting which presides over it. The Blessed Sacrament Chapel and



John Paul II and Bishop Álvaro del Portillo, 18 May 1992.



The Way of the Cross. Twelfth station: Christ on the Cross, ceramic.

a number of confessionals are located in the crypt of the church. With untiring zeal St Josemaría preached the need to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist, gifts of God to men, his children, and a source of peace and everlasting joy.

Monsignor Álvaro del Portillo (1914-1994), bishop and the first successor of St Josemaría, as head of Opus Dei, is buried in the crypt. The cause of his canonization was opened on 5 March 2004.



Our Lady of Peace (reredos)

“Our Lady is the Queen of peace, and thus the Church invokes her. So when your soul or your family are troubled, or things go wrong at work, in society or between nations, cry out to her without ceasing. Call to her by this title: ‘Regina pacis, ora pro nobis — Queen of peace, pray for us.’ Have you at least tried it when you have lost your calm? You will be surprised at its immediate effect.”

St Josemaría Escrivá