



THE JOHN CARDINAL FOLEY SYMPOSIUM

celebrating

World Communications Day

May 26, 2022



*'Listening with the
ear of the heart'*
Pope Francis'
Message for World
Communications Day
2022 on Sunday 29 May

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Ascoltate!



Tema 56ª Giornata mondiale delle Comunicazioni sociali



A respected doctor, accustomed to treating the wounds of the soul, was once asked what the greatest need of human beings is. He replied: “The boundless desire to be heard”. A desire that often remains hidden, but that challenges anyone who is called upon to be an educator or formator, or who otherwise performs a communicative role: parents and teachers, pastors and pastoral workers, communication professionals and others who carry out social or political service.





Listening ...

*... concerns the whole person,
not just the sense of hearing.
The true seat of listening
is the heart.*

~ Pope Francis, 'Listening with the ear of the heart' (for
WD of Social Communications, 2022)

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES: "Heart and ear speak to one another ... our heart breathes through our ear." (*Introduction to the Devout Life* III:21)




POPE FRANCIS: "Listening with the ear of your heart."
(Message for World Communications Day 2022)



Listening corresponds to the humble style of God. It is the action that allows God to reveal himself as the One who, by speaking, creates man and woman in his image, and by listening recognizes them as his partners in dialogue. God loves humanity: that is why he addresses his word to them, and why he “inclines his ear” to listen to them.







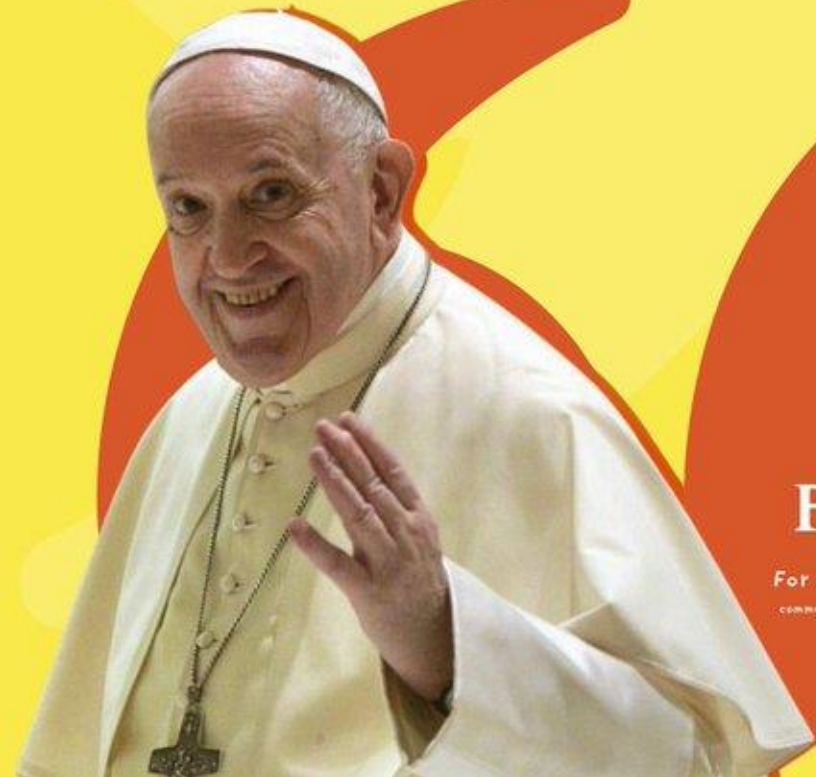
Fundamentally,
listening is a
dimension of
Love.

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"As in a choir, unity does not require uniformity, monotony, but the plurality and variety of voices, polyphony. [...] each voice in the choir sings while listening to the other voices and in relation to the harmony of the whole. This harmony is conceived by the composer, but its realization depends on the symphony of each and every voice."

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Pope
Francis

For a Synodal Church:
communion | participation | mission





Listen and attend with
the ear of your heart.

Benedict of Nursia

quotefancy



It is only by paying attention to *whom* we listen, to *what* we listen, and to *how* we listen that we can grow in the art of communicating, the heart of which is not a theory or a technique, but the “openness of heart that makes closeness possible”





LISTEN!

Theme for
World Communications Day 2022