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World Youth Day 2008 program detailed

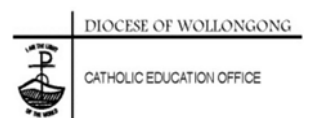
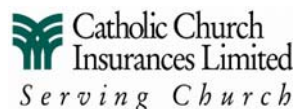
Times and details of the major events at World Youth Day Sydney 2008 (WYD08) in July have been confirmed today.

WYD08 organisers also unveiled the name that will be used to identify the joint venues hosting the Evening Vigil and Final Mass with Pope Benedict XVI.

Royal Randwick Racecourse and nearby Centennial Park will be united in name as the Southern Cross Precinct during World Youth Day.

The timetable of events is:

Date	Time	Event	Location
Tuesday 15 July	4.30pm-6.30pm	Opening Mass with Cardinal Pell	Barangaroo
	2.00pm-10.00pm	Youth Festival (except during Opening Mass)	Sydney CBD locations
Wednesday 16 July	9.00am-12.00pm OR 10.00am-1.00pm	Catechesis sessions	250+ locations across Sydney
	2.00pm-10.00pm	Youth Festival (various events)	Sydney CBD locations
Thursday 17 July	9.00am-12.00pm OR 10.00am-1.00pm	Catechesis sessions	250+ locations across Sydney
	2.45pm	Papal Arrival via Boat-a-cade commences	Sydney Harbour and Barangaroo
	2.00pm-10.00pm	Youth Festival (except during Papal events)	Sydney CBD locations
Friday 18 July	9.00am-12.00pm OR 10.00am-1.00pm	Catechesis sessions	250+ locations across Sydney





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Friday 18 July cont'	3.00pm–6.00pm	Stations of the Cross	St Mary's Cathedral, Barangaroo, Darling Harbour, Sydney Opera House Forecourt, Domain
	2.00pm-10.00pm	Youth Festival (except during Stations of the Cross)	Sydney CBD locations
Saturday 19 July	5.30am	Pilgrimage Walk	Sydney Harbour Bridge through city to Southern Cross Precinct
	7.00pm-9.00pm	Evening Vigil with the Pope	Southern Cross Precinct
Sunday 20 July	9.00am	Papal motorcade commencing in Centennial Park	Southern Cross Precinct
	10.00am	Final Mass with the Pope	
	12.15pm	Announcement of next host city	
	12.30pm-5.00pm	Youth Festival (various events)	

More information is available at www.wyd2008.org

Sydney will host the 23rd World Youth Day from 15 – 20 July this year. It will be the largest event Australia has hosted and will mark the first visit by His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI to Australia.

Only 67 days to go to WYD08!

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