

## Program

### Wednesday, May 19

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Registration and welcome

### Thursday, May 20

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8:30 Eucharistic Celebration

9:45 GREETING TO PARTICIPANTS AND INTRODUCTORY  
REMARKS  
*Cardinal Stanislaw Rylko*

10:30 Break

11:00 LECTURE  
**Politics and democracy today: *status quaestionis***  
*Lorenzo Ornaghi*

11:45 Discussion

13:00 Lunch

15:30 LECTURE  
**The Church and the political community:  
some reference points**  
*Cardinal Camillo Ruini*

16:15 Break

16:45 LECTURE  
**The mission of the lay faithful in politics**  
*Bishop Rino Fisichella*

17:30 Discussion

19:15 Evening Prayer

20:00 Dinner

### Friday, May 21

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8.30 Morning Prayer

9.00 PANEL DISCUSSION  
**Catholics in political life: demands, needs and  
challenges**  
*Josep Miró i Ardèvol*  
*Savino Pezzotta*  
*Roberto Formigoni*

10:30 Departure for Vatican City

12:15 **Audience with the Holy Father**

13:30 Lunch

15:30 LECTURE  
**What lessons can we learn today from the great  
Christian figures in the history of politics?**  
*Andrea Riccardi*

16:30 Break

17:00 Discussion

19:00 Eucharistic Celebration

20:00 Dinner

### Saturday, May 22

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8:30 Morning Prayer

9:00 LECTURE  
**Criteria and ways to prepare the lay faithful to take  
up political commitment**  
*Guzmán Carriquiry*

10:00 Discussion  
10:30 Break  
11:45 Discussion (*continued*)  
12:30 END OF SESSION  
13:30 Lunch  
15:30 **Pontifical Council for the Laity program of activities: review and future planning**  
*Bishop Josef Clemens*  
17:00 Break  
17:30 Discussion  
18:30 Concluding remarks  
19:15 Eucharistic Celebration  
20:00 Festive Dinner

**Sunday, May 23**

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Departure

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**24th Plenary Assembly**

**Witnessing to Christ  
in politics**

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