

Thematic/charismatic cores for the celebration of the Franciscan Centenary 2023-2026

The outline presented below is intended to focus on the charismatic cores with which we hope to characterise the years of the *Franciscan centenary* articulated and celebrated in the different centenaries.

For each year, the following are offered

- a title taken from the "Praises of God Most High" by St Francis;
- the particular centenary being celebrated;
- a unifying and characterising symbol;
- some summarised highlights of the contents that can be deepened according to four dimensions: theological, anthropological, ecclesiological and sociological. For further study, please refer to the *Guidelines* offered by the Conference of the Franciscan Family in its document of 1 January 2022.

This outline is offered to the general secretariats and other formation and organisational structures of the various institutes, entities and jurisdictions. We hope it can facilitate the development of formation programmes and activities to be implemented *ad intra* and *ad extra*, as a Franciscan Family, possibly in communion at the various levels.

It is a basic grid to be used with freedom and creativity, highlighting the unity of the project and integrating the various dimensions in continuity and process.

For each year, different sheets could be offered by the various sectors, possibly integrated with each other, accompanied by methodological suggestions for use.

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	Event	Symbol	Theological Dimension <i>Our being in Christ</i> (Formation)	Anthropological Dimension <i>Our being brothers and sisters</i> (Formation)	Ecclesiological Dimension <i>Our being in communion</i> (Mission)	Sociological Dimension <i>Our being in the world</i> (JPIC)
2023 You are Joy	Greccio	The crib	Incarnation: The Son became our brother	Body: affectivity, sexuality, feelings	Living the charism in different cultures: inculturation and interculturality	The cosmic dimension of the incarnation. The poor Christ, born in the peripheries
	The Rule	The book of the Gospel	The centrality of the Gospel in our life. Existential Approach	The Rule at the Service of development and protection of our charismatic way of forming relationships	Franciscan Ecclesiology at the service of communion and synodality in the Church	Goodness and generosity. Our minoritic style of being present in the world.
2024 You are Love	The Stigmata	The Cross	The Franciscan Cross: expression and model of the free and gratuitous love of the triune God	Getting to know, accept and integrate our personal and institutional limits	Identification and personalisation of the mystery of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus	Solidarity with the crucified and the excluded of our world
2025 You are Beauty	The Canticle	The Earth	God's Presence in the Book of Creation	Astonishment, humility and gratitude as vital attitudes	The heart of our mission: the building of universal brotherhood	Another way of life is possible: integral ecology
2026 You are our Hope	St Francis' Passover	The Eucharist	Glory: The goal of the <i>homo viator</i>	Fraternal life: Fruitful and life-giving	The beauty and attraction of the Christian life	The Eucharistic style of being in the world: experience of love, hope and justice.