

***MORE THAN 60 NATIONS LINKED FOR PAPAL  
CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS***

VATICAN CITY – Television networks and outlets in more than 60 countries will be linked by satellite for the seasonal telecast of Christmas Midnight Mass presided over by Pope Benedict XVI. On Christmas Day at 12 o'clock Rome time the Holy Father will give his "Urbi et Orbi" message and blessing (to the city and the world) to be broadcast to an estimated 58 nations and 89 networks.

The seasonal telecasts from the Vatican at Christmas and Easter - broadcast around the world via a web of satellites and participating networks - are made freely available for retransmission to local, national or international audiences. Satellite uplink fees for the world and downlink fees for countries requiring economic help are covered by a grant from the Knights of Columbus - a Catholic men's fraternal society with members throughout Canada, the United States, Mexico and the Philippines.

The television coverage of the Christmas ceremonies in the Vatican are a coproduction of the Vatican Television Center (CTV) and Italy's state television network (RAI). The international transmissions are coordinated by the Pontifical Council for Social Communications, which offers commentary in three languages. Cardinal John P. Foley, Grand Master of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre and former President of the Pontifical Council for Social Communications, will offer the English commentary for the 24<sup>th</sup> year.

Background information on the ceremonies for telecasters can be found on this Pontifical Council's complementary website **[www.pccs.it](http://www.pccs.it)**, clicking on "*Mondovisione*".

[Attached is the full list of linked nations and networks receiving the telecasts.](#)

For more information, please send a message to: [telecast@pccs.va](mailto:telecast@pccs.va) or visit [www.pccs.it](http://www.pccs.it).

**CHRISTMAS 2007**  
**Worldwide "Mondovisione" Telecasts from the Vatican**

**List of Nations and Television Networks  
receiving and broadcasting the**

**Christmas Midnight Mass in St. Peter's Basilica  
&  
Christmas Day "Urbi et Orbi" Message and Blessing**

**Christmas Midnight Mass presided over by Pope Benedict XVI**

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Live</b>	<b>Delayed</b>	<b>Downlink</b>
<b>Nations</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Networks</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>31</b>

**Christmas "Urbi et Orbi" Message and Blessing of Pope Benedict XVI**

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>Live</b>	<b>Delayed</b>	<b>Downlink</b>
<b>Nations</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Networks</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>33</b>

**Live** = live broadcast of ceremony

**Delayed** = recorded for broadcast at a later time

**Downlink** = possible live or delayed broadcast,  
or highlights used in news and programming

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<b>Continent</b>	<b>Nation</b>	<b>Television Network/Outlet</b>	<b>M. Mass</b>	<b>Urbi</b>	
<b>Global</b>		European Broadcasting Union (EBU)	Live	Live	
		EWTN Global Catholic Network	Live	Live	
		Organisacion de Television Iberoamericana (OTI)	Live	Live	
		RAI International	Live	Live	
<b>Africa</b>	Cameroun	Cameroun Radio and Television (CRTV)	Live	Live	
	Ghana	Ghana Broadcasting Corp. (GBC)	Live	Live	
	Ivory Coast	Ivory Coast-Abidjan (RTI)	Live	Live	
	Nigeria	African Independent Television (AIT)	Live	Live	
	Senegal	Senegal-Dakar TV (RTS)	Live	Live	
	Togo	Togo TV Lome	Live	Live	
	Uganda	Uganda TV		Live	
<b>America</b>	Argentina	Canal 7	Live	Live	
	Bolivia	Conferencia Episcopal Boliviana	Live	Live	
	Brazil	TV Rete Globo Rio	Live	Live	
		Canal Rural	Live		
	Canada	Vision TV Faith Network	Live	Downlink	
		RDI / Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC)	Live		
	Chile	Canal 7	Live	Live	
		Canal 9 Megavision	Live	Live	
		Canal 13	Live	Live	
	Costa Rica	Rede Nacional de Television Canal 6	Live		
		Teletica Canal 7	Live		
	Ecuador	Ecuavisa	Live		
		Teleamazonas	Live		
	El Salvador	Canal 4	Live	Live	
	Guatemala	Canal 3	Live		
	Honduras	Canal 5	Live	Live	
	Mexico	TV Azteca	Live	Live	
	Nicaragua	Canal 2	Live	Live	
		Ratensa	Live	Live	
	Panama	Medcom	Live		
Canal 2		Live	Live		
Paraguay	Canal 4 (Telefuturo)	Live	Live		
U.S.A.		National Broadcasting Company (NBC)	Live	Downlink	
		American Broadcasting Company (ABC)	Downlink	Downlink	
		CBS Broadcasting Inc.	Downlink	Downlink	
		Fox News Network	Downlink	Downlink	
		Univision Network	Live	Live	
<b>Asia</b>	India	Doordarshan India (DDI)	Live	Live	
		Jeevan TV Corporation	Live	Live	
		Shalom TV	Live	Live	
	Indonesia	Indosiar TV	Live	Downlink	
	Korea	Pyeonghwa Broadcasting Corp. (PBC)	Live		
	Lebanon	Tele-Lumiere	Live	Live	
	Philippines		National Broadcasting Network (NBN-4)	Live	Live
			International Broadcasting Corp. (IBC 13)	Live	Live
			Associated Broadcast Co. (ABC-5)	Live	Delayed
ANC News Channel (ABS-CBN)			Live	Live	
GMA 7 Network			Delayed	Delayed	
Radio Philippines TV Network (RPN-9)	Delayed	Delayed			
<b>Australia</b>	Australia	Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC)	Live	Downlink	

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<b>Europe</b>	Albania	Albanian State Television (TVSH)		Live
	Austria	Österreichischer Rundfunk (ORF)	Live	Live
	Belgium	RTL - TVI Belge	Live	
		TV Belge (RTBF)	Downlink	Downlink
		Vlaamse Radio en Televisieomroep (VRT)	Downlink	Downlink
	Belarus	Belarus TV (BTRC)	Live	Live
	Bosnia	Bosnian TV (BHRT)	Downlink	Downlink
	Bulgaria	TV Bulgaria (BNT)	Downlink	Live
	Croatia	Hrvatska Radiotelevizija (HRT-TV 1)	Downlink	Downlink
	Czech Rep.	Czech Television (CT)	Downlink	Live
	Denmark	Danish Broadcasting Corp. (DR)	Live	Downlink
		Denmark TV2	Downlink	Downlink
	Estonia	Estonian Television (ERR)	Downlink	Downlink
	Finland	Finish Public Television (YLE)	Live	Downlink
		MTV3 Finland	Downlink	Downlink
	France	France (TF1)	Live	Downlink
		France (TF3), La Chaîne Info (LCI)	Downlink	Downlink
		France 2 (TF2)	Downlink	Live
		Canal+, ITV France, Euronews	Downlink	Downlink
	Germany	ARD/Bayerischer Rundfunk (BR)	Live	Downlink
		ZDF Network / Phoenix	Downlink	Live
	Hungary	Magyar Televízió 1 (MTV)	Downlink	Live
		Duna Televizio (DTV)		Live
	Iceland	Icelandic National Broadcasting Service (RUV)	Downlink	Downlink
	Ireland	Radio Telefis Eireann (RTE)	Downlink	Live
	Italy	Radio Televisione Italiana (RAI)	Live	Live
	Latvia	Latijas Televizija (LT)	Downlink	Downlink
	Lithuania	Lietuvos Televizija (LRT)	Downlink	Live
	Macedonia	Radio Television Skopje (RTV)	Downlink	Downlink
	Moldova	Tele-Radio Moldova (TRM)	Downlink	Downlink
	Monaco	Télé Monte-Carlo (TMC)	Downlink	Downlink
	Netherlands	Nederlandse (NOS/KRO)	Live	Live
	Norway	Norsk Rikskringkasting (NRK)	Live	Downlink
		Norway (TV2)	Downlink	Downlink
	Poland	Telewizja Polska (TVP)	Live	Live
	Portugal	Radiotelevisão Portuguesa (RTP)	Live	Live
	Romania	Radioteleviziunea Română (TVR)	Downlink	Downlink
	Slovak Rep.	Slovenská Televízia (STV)	Downlink	Live
		Slovak TV (TA3)	Live	Live
	Slovenia	Televizija Slovenija (RTVS)	Downlink	Live
	Spain	Radiotelevision Española (TVE)	Live	Live
	Sweden	Swedish Television (SVT)	Live	Downlink
Switzerland	Schweizer Fernsehen (HSF - Zurich)	Downlink	Downlink	
	Televisione Svizzera Italiana (RTSI)	Downlink	Downlink	
U.K.	British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC)		Downlink	
	Independent Television News (ITN)	Downlink	Downlink	
Ukraine	Televisione Ucraina (NTU)	Live	Live	
	Channel K1	Live	Live	
	Kanale 5	Live	Live	
	UTR Network	Live	Live	
	TV Galychyna	Live	Live	