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HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT

We have just begun a new jubilee year and we do so with the desire for something better for each one of us, for our families, for our countries, for our world wounded by so many injustices: wars that make the news and others that few care about except for their victims

- women, children - who struggle to survive every day.

Faced with this panorama, it is easy to lose hope.

Nonetheless,

Pope Francis in

the papal bull *Spes*

non confundit announcing the 2025 Jubilee year, invites us to *rekindle hope*.

Hope is the central message of the Jubilee.

Where will we turn to nourish our hope and not lose heart in the attempt?

In the bull, the Pope, quoting St. Paul (Rom 8:35, 37-39), refers to the source: *By his perennial presence in the life of the pilgrim Church, the Holy Spirit illumines all believers with the light of hope. He keeps that light burning, like an ever-burning lamp, to sustain and invigorate our*

lives. Christian hope does not deceive or disappoint because it is grounded in the certainty that nothing and no one may ever separate us from God's love: [...] Here we see the reason why this hope perseveres in the midst of trials: founded on faith and nurtured by charity,

it enables us to press forward in life. As

Saint Augustine

observes:

"Whatever our state of life, we cannot live without these three

dispositions of the soul, namely, to believe, to hope and to love".

(*Spes non confundit*, 3).

Let us accept this invitation with the conviction that we are inhabited by the Holy Spirit, the source of Christian hope. May He fill the heart of the Church with hope so that we may continue to build the world we desire.

Spes
non
confundit

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