

Holy Mass with Pope Francis on Sunday September 29 at the King Baudouin Stadium.

Update : Thursday 19 September.

All the faithful are welcome at the King Baudouin Stadium in Brussels for the Mass presided over by Pope Francis on Sunday September 29, at 10 a.m., in compliance with stadium safety rules and in the limit of the number of available seats

Please read the following information carefully:

- There are now **37,500 seats** available in the stadium for the Mass. The 2,500 seats added along the track for young people mean that there are now **2,500 additional seats for parishes** in the stands.
- Admission is, of course, free. Registration is carried out by Ticketmaster.
- **On Monday August 19th**, a first quota of individual seats was allocated in 2 hours. A second quota was released on **12 September**. Some seats will not offer the same quality of view towards the altar. Additional screens will be placed in the stadium to ensure that the Mass can be followed properly.
- For security reasons, anyone may register up to 5 people (**and no more**) with a single e-mail address and mobile phone number. All these people must enter the stadium together with the person who registered. A person may only register once and any attempt at fraud will result in the cancellation of the booking.
- For groups (parishes and church movements), it is no longer possible to submit a request. We are processing the long list of applications and all remaining seats will be given in priority to those parishes and church movements from that list.

As a reminder : all members of the group must present themselves together at the entrance of the stadium, led by their leader who takes responsibility for his/her group. The group leader ensures that all members of the group comply scrupulously with the safety and security instructions. The group leader must carry the list of his/her group members.

- For **people with reduced mobility**, all the places have been allocated and it is no longer possible to apply for a place(s). They will, however, be able to follow the Mass at the Koekelberg Basilica, on a large screen if they so wish. Prior registration is required.
- For **priests** wishing to **concelebrate** and **deacons**, **all** the places have been allocated. There are no more places available.
- Young people are warmly invited to sign up for the Hope Happening programme, which includes attendance at Sunday Mass.

Link: <https://www.hopehappening.be>. 7.500 seats have been reserved for young people, on the tracks and in the stands.

- The stadium will be open on Sunday September 29 **from 6 am on**. All participants must be seated by **8.30 am** at the latest. Come as early as possible, because it takes time to fill a large stadium like the King Baudouin Stadium.
- **Safety and security instructions** must be **strictly** observed by everyone to ensure the good order of the celebration and the security of the Holy Father and VIP guests. Big backpacks and handbags are not permitted. Everyone must carry an **identity card** or **passport**. Otherwise, access to the stadium will be denied. The leader of a group must also carry the list of the members of his/her group.
- We strongly recommend using **public transport**: train, metro (stations Heysel and Houba-Brugmann – line 6) and bus, as the car parks around the stadium have limited capacity and are not in the immediate vicinity of the stadium.
- A stadium means bleachers. There is no lift and the access to seats is via stairs. Please note that the upper section of the stadium requires good physical condition.
- The mass will end at **noon** and it will take 2 hours before everyone has been able to leave the stadium in an orderly fashion and in compliance with security and safety standards.
- **Food-trucks** will be set up all around the stadium. Drinks, pastries and sandwiches will be on sale.
- Further practical information about the King Baudouin Stadium is available on its website:
<https://kingbaudouinstadium.be/index.php/practical-information/?lang=en>