

Prelature of Opus Dei

On 28 November 1982, St. John Paul II erected Opus Dei as a Personal Prelature by means of the Apostolic Constitution "Ut sit." Here are some videos and texts on its juridical structure and apostolic mission.

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• **Delivery of the Bull "Ut sit" (19 March 1983)**: This short video shows the handing over of the Bull "Ut sit," by which St. John Paul II erected Opus Dei as a Personal Prelature on

28 November 1982, in the Basilica of St. Eugene in Rome, on March 19, 1983, to Bishop Alvaro del Portillo.

• **On the 25th anniversary of the erection of Opus Dei as a Personal Prelature (28 November 2007):**

Bishop Javier Echevarría, then Prelate of Opus Dei, remarks on the significance of the establishment of Opus Dei as a Personal Prelature of the Catholic Church. "The supernatural intuition of St Josemaría was grounded in the Church's authentic tradition, because it was embodied in the Gospel."

• **Address of St. John Paul II (17 March 2001):** Almost 20 years after erecting Opus Dei as a Personal Prelature, St. John Paul II encouraged its faithful, laity and priests, to fearlessly pursue its perennial mission: "It is time to put aside all fear and pursue daring apostolic goals."

- **"Ad Charisma Tuendum"**: On 14 July 2022, Pope Francis modified articles V and VI of the Bull "Ut sit" with the Motu Proprio "Ad charisma tuendum" (July 14, 2022). Here is the text of the Motu Proprio, a letter from the Prelate, and some questions and answers about it.

- **The universal call to holiness**: In his general audience on 19 November 2014, Pope Francis explained that sanctity is a gift from God and that all the baptized faithful can become saints.

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