News of Holy Week

In the next few days you will find on this page information about the World Day of Youth, held on April 4 in Rome, and about Pope John Paul's audience with those attending UNIV 2004 on April 5. In addition, we will present the text of Bishop Javier Echevarría's reflections on Holy Week, broadcast by EWTN radio, beginning on Palm Sunday.

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World Youth Day - The 19th World Youth Day took place in Rome on Palm Sunday, April 4. Pope John Paul II prepared for this meeting on April 3 in St. Peter's Square by meeting with 20,000 young people from Rome and the surrounding Lazio region. **Consult Vatican Information Service** for more information. UNIV - More than 2,000 young people attended an audience with John Paul II on Monday, April 5, in the Vatican audience hall as a part of the UNIV 2004 congress. Shortly we will present information about it, and the Pope's discourse. UNIV (an international abbreviation for university) takes place in Rome every year during Holy Week. It is organized by ICU, the Institute for University Cooperation. This year the participants come from more than twenty countries.

The Prelate of Opus Dei - During Holy Week, Palm Sunday through Easter, Bishop Javier Echevarria is speaking on EWTN's daily radio program, "Days of Grace." Excerpts from his reflections will be presented here.

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