



# Saint Josemaría Escrivá

Founder of Opus Dei

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## The prelatric church of Opus Dei

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### A place of prayer, housing the mortal remains of Saint Josemaría Escrivá

The mortal remains of Saint Josemaría Escrivá are contained in a casket located beneath the altar of the Church of Our Lady of Peace. Millions of people throughout the world turn to Saint Josemaría's intercession to gain graces of every kind from God. Many come to the Church of the Prelature to continue their petition or give thanks for graces received through his intercession.

On December 31, 1959, Saint Josemaría celebrated the first Mass in the church of Our Lady of Peace. After Opus Dei was established as a personal prelatric church, this became the Church of the Prelature. Saint Josemaría's devotion to our Lady is the reason for the title of this church and the main picture. The crypt of the church holds the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and confessionals. Saint Josemaría preached with untiring zeal on our need for the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist, given by God to his children as a source of peace and never-ending joy.

The crypt is also the burial-place of [Blessed Alvaro del Portillo](#) (1914-1994), Saint Josemaría's first successor at the head of Opus Dei.

***“Holy Mary is the Queen of peace, and thus the Church invokes her. So when your soul or your family are troubled, or things go wrong at work, in society or between nations, cry out to her without ceasing. Call to her by this title: Regina pacis, ora pro nobis — Queen of peace, pray for us.’ Have you at least tried it when you have lost your calm? You will be surprised at its immediate effect.”*** Saint Josemaría Escrivá

### Information and map

### Our Lady of Peace Prelatic church of Opus Dei

75, Viale Bruno Buozzi  
00197 Rome  
Tel. 06-808961

**July 11 and 12 will be closed from 14:00 to 17:00.**

**Open daily 8.30 a.m. – 8.25 p.m.** (from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., use entrance at n. 36 Via di Villa Sacchetti).

**Mass times:** Daily at **8.30**, at **12.00 noon** and at **19.30\***(During Holy Week the only Mass is at 8.30am).

**\*There is no Mass at 19.30 during the months of July and August.**

**Confessions:** in English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish.  
Groups wishing to give advance notice of their visit, and priests wishing to celebrate Mass, please telephone the number given above.

**Useful telephone numbers:**

*Rome Information:* 06-0606

*Rome Airports:* 06-65951 (main switchboard)

*Taxis:* 06-3570; 06-4994; 06-8822

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