

**POPE FRANCIS VISITS NEW YORK CITY**  
Thursday, September 24th to Saturday, September 26th

**NOTICE REGARDING CHANGES TO NORMAL OPERATIONS IN NYC**

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His Holiness, Pope Francis, will be traveling to the United States for the first time since becoming Pope. During his travels he will visit New York City from Thursday, September 24th until Saturday, September 26th.

The City of New York is dedicated to providing as much information as possible to ensure that residents and business owners of affected areas are well informed about interruptions in normal operations as a result of Pope Francis' visit to New York City. The purpose of this communication is to inform you of the details of this event and any changes to normal operations in the area.

Please read below to see when and how your area may be affected. Building occupants and employees in all affected areas are encouraged to carry identification at all times. Additionally, we ask that you take these notices into consideration as it may impede on business deliveries and meetings.

**STREET CLOSURES AND TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS**

**Central Park**

Friday, September 25, 5:00pm—7:00pm

- Pope Francis' **Central Park** Procession begins at approximately 5:00 PM and concludes at 7:00PM on Friday, September 25th.
- 12:00 AM to 7:00 PM
  - Streets will be closed to vehicular traffic on **61<sup>st</sup> Street, 62<sup>nd</sup> Street, 63<sup>rd</sup> Street, 64<sup>th</sup> Street, 65<sup>th</sup> Street and 66<sup>th</sup> Street** between **Central Park West and Broadway**.
  - Streets will be closed to vehicular traffic on **67<sup>th</sup> Street, 68<sup>th</sup> Street, 69<sup>th</sup> Street, 70<sup>th</sup> Street, 71<sup>st</sup> Street, 72<sup>nd</sup> Street, 73<sup>rd</sup> Street, 74<sup>th</sup> Street, 75<sup>th</sup> Street, 76<sup>th</sup> Street, and 77<sup>th</sup> Street** between **Central Park West and Columbus Avenue**.
- Central Park will remain open to the public, but access to the park between **West Drive and Central Park West** from **81<sup>st</sup> Street to 59<sup>th</sup> Street—Columbus Circle** will be limited to ticketed guests.

**East Harlem**

Friday, September 25, 4:00pm—5:15pm

- Pope Francis will visit **229 East 112<sup>th</sup> Street** beginning at 4:00pm and concluding at 5:15pm on Friday, September 25th. This event is by invitation only through the Archdiocese of New York.
- 12:00 AM to 6:00PM
  - **112<sup>th</sup> Street** from **2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue** will be closed to vehicular Traffic
  - **113<sup>th</sup> Street Cul-de-sac** will be closed to vehicular traffic
- 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM
  - Trucks will not be able to access **2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue** between **106<sup>th</sup> Street to 116<sup>th</sup> Street**
- Streets may face interruptions in flow of traffic or activities **from Lexington Avenue to 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue** between **110<sup>th</sup> Street and 116<sup>th</sup> Street**.

## FDR Drive

Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

- FDR Drive is subject to intermittent closures for the following locations:
  - Southbound traffic at **63<sup>rd</sup> street**
  - Northbound traffic at **South Ferry**

## Financial District

Friday, September 25, 11:00am—1:00pm

- Pope Francis will visit the **National September 11 Memorial and Museum** beginning at 11:00am and concluding at 1:00pm on Friday, September 25th. This event is by invitation only through the September 11 Memorial and Archdiocese of New York.
- 12:00 AM
  - **Liberty Street** and **Cedar Street** will be closed between **Trinity Place** and **Greenwich Street**
- 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
  - Northbound traffic lanes on **West Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic between Battery Place to Murray Street
  - Southbound traffic lanes will be closed on **West Street** between **Chambers Street** and **Albany Street**
  - Trucks will be restricted from moving south on **West Street** between **Chambers Street** and **Albany Street**
- Streets may face interruptions in flow of traffic or activities **from Barclay St to Battery Park Place** between **West Street** and **Broadway**.

## Midtown

Thursday, September 24, 5:30pm-8:00pm

- During Pope Francis' visit to New York City he will make visits to the Midtown area including **St. Patrick's Cathedral, 51<sup>st</sup> and Madison Avenue**. This event is by invitation only through the City of New York and the Archdiocese of New York.
- 12:00 AM
  - **50<sup>th</sup> Street** and **51<sup>st</sup> Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Madison Avenue**.
- 3:00 AM to 6:00 AM
  - **5<sup>th</sup> Avenue** between **55<sup>th</sup> Street to 47<sup>th</sup> Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic.
  - **55<sup>th</sup> Street to 48<sup>th</sup> Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic between **6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Madison Avenue**.
- 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue will reopen
  - All crosstown traffic will reopen, but will be reduced to one lane.
  - **50<sup>th</sup> Street** and **51<sup>st</sup> Street** will remain closed to vehicular traffic from **5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Madison Avenue**.
- 10:00 AM
  - **5<sup>th</sup> Avenue** between **55<sup>th</sup> Street to 47<sup>th</sup> Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic.
  - **55<sup>th</sup> Street to 48<sup>th</sup> Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic between **6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Madison Avenue**.
- 2:00 PM
  - **Madison Avenue** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **47<sup>th</sup> Street to 52<sup>nd</sup> Street**.
- 5:45 PM to 6:00 PM
  - **5<sup>th</sup> Avenue** from **56<sup>th</sup> Street to 48<sup>th</sup> Street** will be closed to pedestrian traffic.

## Midtown (continued)

Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM

- During Pope Francis' visit to New York City he will make visits to the Midtown area including the **United Nations**. This event is not open to the public.
- 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM
  - Upper **1<sup>st</sup> Avenue** is closed between **42<sup>nd</sup> Street** to **46<sup>th</sup> Street**
  - **42<sup>nd</sup> Street** is closed to vehicular traffic from **2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue** to **1<sup>st</sup> Avenue**
  - **FDR 42<sup>nd</sup> Street exit** will be closed to vehicular traffic.
  - **43<sup>rd</sup> Street, 44<sup>th</sup> Street** and **45<sup>th</sup> Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **1<sup>st</sup> Avenue** to **2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue**
  - Trucks will be restricted on Lower **1<sup>st</sup> Avenue** between **40<sup>th</sup> Street** and **47<sup>th</sup> Street**.

## Madison Square Garden

Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm—8:15pm

- Pope Francis will visit **Madison Square Garden** beginning at 6:00pm and concluding at 8:00 PM on Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. This event is by invitation only through the Archdiocese of New York.
- 12:00 AM to 11:59PM
  - Streets will be closed to vehicular on **33<sup>rd</sup> Street** and **31<sup>st</sup> Street** from **9<sup>th</sup> Avenue** to **7<sup>th</sup> Avenue**.
- 12:00 PM
  - Streets will have managed access for vehicular traffic on
    - **31<sup>st</sup> Street, 32<sup>nd</sup> Street** and **33<sup>rd</sup> Street** from **6<sup>th</sup> Avenue** to **7<sup>th</sup> Avenue**
  - On **7<sup>th</sup> Avenue** from **30<sup>th</sup> Street** to **34<sup>th</sup> Street**, two western lanes will be closed to vehicular traffic
  - On **8<sup>th</sup> Avenue** from **31<sup>st</sup> Street** to **33<sup>rd</sup> Street**, streets will be reduced to one lane only with intermittent closures
  - Trucks will be restricted from **7<sup>th</sup> Avenue** and **8<sup>th</sup> Avenue** from **30<sup>th</sup> Street** to **34<sup>th</sup> Street**
- 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM
  - **8<sup>th</sup> Avenue** will be closed to vehicular traffic between **31<sup>st</sup> Street** and **33<sup>rd</sup> Street**
- The only entrance to Madison Square Garden will be from **7<sup>th</sup> Avenue**. Building occupants and employees are encouraged to carry identification at all times.
- There may be interruptions in street activity from **9<sup>th</sup> Avenue** to **6<sup>th</sup> Avenue** between **29<sup>th</sup> Street** and **34<sup>th</sup> Street**.

## Upper East Side

Starting Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 am and ending Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 am

- Due to the Papal visit, streets may face periodic interruptions in flow of traffic or activities from **70<sup>th</sup> Street** to **74<sup>th</sup> Street** between **5<sup>th</sup> Avenue** and **Park Avenue**.
- Starting September 24<sup>th</sup> until September 26<sup>th</sup>,
  - 6:00 AM to 11:00 PM
    - **Madison Avenue** from **69<sup>th</sup> Street** to **73<sup>rd</sup> Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic on the two western lanes
      - Trucks will have restricted access in this area
    - **5<sup>th</sup> Avenue** from **71<sup>st</sup> Street** to **74<sup>th</sup> Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic on 1 eastern lane.
    - **71<sup>st</sup> Street** and **72<sup>nd</sup> Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **5<sup>th</sup> Avenue** to **Madison Avenue**
    - **70<sup>th</sup> Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **Park Avenue** to **Madison Avenue**

## Upper East Side (continued)

- 11:00 PM to 6:00 AM
  - **71<sup>st</sup> Street, 72<sup>nd</sup> Street and 73<sup>rd</sup> Street** will be closed to vehicular traffic from **5<sup>th</sup> Avenue** to **Park Avenue**
  - **Madison Avenue** will be closed between **68<sup>th</sup> Street** to **74<sup>th</sup> Street**
  - Trucks are restricted on **5<sup>th</sup> Avenue** from **71<sup>st</sup> Street** to **74<sup>th</sup> Street**
- When Pope Francis is not in residence, **Madison Avenue** will not be restricted.

## PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Please visit [www.mta.info](http://www.mta.info) for updates on any service interruptions or reroutes.

If you have any further questions regarding this event and other street closures, please visit [nyc.gov/papalvisit](http://nyc.gov/papalvisit) or contact 311 or dial 212-NEW-YORK.