

Pope Francis: The People's Pope? A Look Back at His First Year



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7:00PM to 8:30PM

Fr. Benjamin Kuhn Alumni House - Boland Room

Colloquium Speakers

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Jorge Maria Bergoglio is the first Pope from Latin America, the first Jesuit Pope, and the first Pope to take the name Francis.



Pope Francis lives in a modest apartment in the Vatican's guest quarters; eats his meals with the Vatican housekeeping staff, gardeners and maintenance crews; prefers a Ford Focus to the Vatican's Mercedes; and slips out of the Vatican at night to feed and comfort Rome's homeless.



Pope Francis's tweets (@Pontifex) are retweeted an average 11 million times, more than those of any one else on Twitter.



Facebook's 1.2 billion users talked about Pope Francis more than any other person or topic in 2013.



Pope Francis was named Person of the Year by *Time Magazine* and by *The Advocate*, the influential LGBT news magazine.



Pope Francis was named *Esquire Magazine's* Best Dressed Man of 2013 (no kidding).

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