

# First papal visit to Korea in 25 years

Pope Francis is to visit South Korea on his first trip to Asia as pontiff, where he will bring a message of peace to the war-divided peninsula



**1 Aug 14, Seoul:** *Pope Francis* arrives in South Korea. Meets President **Park Geun-hye** and Korean bishops

**2 Aug 15, Daejeon:** Celebrates Mass at World Cup Stadium. Attends Asian Youth Day festival

**Aug 16, Seoul:** Visits Shrine of Martyrs of Seosomun, dedicated to victims of 19th Century religious persecution. Leads beatification ceremony for 124 Korean martyrs

**3 Kkotongnae:** Visits rehabilitation centre for disabled people

**4 Aug 17, Haemi:** Meets Asian bishops. Celebrates closing Mass of Asian youth festival at Haemi Castle

**Aug 18, Seoul:** Celebrates Mass for Peace and Reconciliation in Myeong-dong cathedral