

Pope visits Colombia to boost peace process

Pope Francis hopes to encourage the fledgling peace process that ended half a century of war between a succession of governments and the FARC guerrilla group but has left Colombia a deeply divided country



■ Sep 6: Pope arrives in Bogotá

1 Sep 7, Bogotá: Meets President **Juan Manuel Santos** and other political and religious leaders. Celebrates Mass for estimated one million faithful in Simón Bolívar Park

2 Sep 8, Villavicencio: Holds Mass and beatifies two priests killed during years of conflict. Takes part in prayer meeting for national reconciliation with around 6,000 victims of violence, former fighters and militia

3 Sep 9, Medellín: Celebrates Mass at airport. Visits Hogar San José – orphanage complex that is home to 1,100 orphans and young people

4 Sep 10, Cartagena: Leads prayers in front of Church of Saint Peter Claver, where peace accords between government and FARC – that Francis helped bring to fruition – were signed in Sep 2016
Celebrates Mass at city's port before returning to Rome