

# Blessed Urban II

Blessed Urban II became the pope in 1088. However, Urban II could not live in Rome until 1093 because Antipope Clement III controlled Rome at the time of Urban II's election. At the Council of Claremont in 1095, he preached the needed for the first crusade in order to liberate Jerusalem and the Holy Land. However, Blessed Urban II did not live to hear the news that the Crusaders had conquered Jerusalem in 1099.