

The canonizations of two popes: By the numbers

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Days before Pope Francis canonizes two of his predecessors in a ceremony in St. Peter's Square, Romans are bracing for the arrival of as many as 3 million visitors. Government leaders, including nineteen heads of state and 24 prime ministers, from various countries will also be in attendance in Rome April 27-28 for the canonization of Blessed John XXIII and Blessed John Paul II. The ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. April 27 and will be presided by Pope Francis.

Preparing for the canonizations, the city has invested more than \$7 million in 980 portable toilets, street barriers, first aid stations, bottled water and other amenities, Mayor Marino told the press in early April.

Here is a look at the canonizations, by the numbers:



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