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The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Philadelphia.



Preparations were underway on JFK Parkway Tuesday in Philadelphia.



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Preparations are underway on the JFK Parkway in Philadelphia for the upcoming visit by Pope Francis.

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PHILADELPHIA » Two weeks removed from the Budweiser Made in America Festival, Philadelphia's Benjamin Franklin Parkway looked vastly different as workers made a major overhaul in preparation for Pope Francis' visit for the 2015 World Meeting of Families, which officially kicked off Tuesday.



Along the parkway, which is closed to traffic from the Philadelphia Museum of Art to Logan Square, people are at work building large jumbotrons, risers and stages.

"This site we've been work-

ing on since last Wednesdav." said Joe Rossano, who was working at Eakins Oval.

Rossano was one of dozens putting together everything going up around the oval, including the press risers, jumbotrons and the stage Pope Francis will celebrate a Mass Sunday.

"It's a step up from Made in America, just because of all the video and walls all the way down Center City," he said.

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"I've seen a few guys walk up, see me standing here and try to walk around like I'm not going to see. Some people will have a smooth walk. like they're walking real fast."

— Andrew Sadler, Green Lee Security

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It's game time in

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PHILADELPHIA » With bell choirs, singing students and roars of applause, the Eighth World Meeting of Families opened Tuesday at the Philadelphia Convention Center, a four-day conference preceding Pope Francis' visit this weekend.

"What happens here this week is a celebration not about the past but of the future," Archbishop Charles Chaput said. "The lesson is simply, 'God remakes the world.' For the people and families who love him, this week will have the grace, the time when God moves among us. May God pour his courage, his joy, his peace in all of your hearts. Let us begin."

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Tredyffrin updates traffic plans, **Invites D**

By Adam Farence afarence@dailylocal.com

TREDYFFRIN » In anticipation of increased traffic congestion during Pope Francis' visit to Philadelphia this Saturday and Sunday, Tredyffrin Police Superintendent Anthony Giamo has updated traffic plans and invited a DJ to make

the wait more bearable. Earlier this month, the Tredyffrin board of supervisors declared a state of emergency for the pope's

This measure, they said, will better prepare the township police to handle the increase in traffic and congestion. Township Manager William Martin asked neighbors not to panic, and said this measure was to help the township prepare for the rush of people traveling to Philadelphia.

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