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Papa León XIV "El mal no prevalecerá"

En la Iglesia católica ya hay nuevo jerarca. En su primer discurso, el Pontífice, que tiene las nacionalidades estadounidense y peruana, dejó en claro que dará continuidad al legado humanista de Francisco y marcó sus prioridades: la unidad y construir puentes de diálogo para la paz.

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DEFENSOR DE MIGRANTES

De alma latina, Robert Francis Prevost Martínez ha recorrido un largo camino pastoral en el que vio de cerca la pobreza. Pugna por que haya en el mundo empatía ante el sufrimiento del otro. | MUNDO | A5



ALEXANDRA TABATINCAP

Más acceso a créditos, pide Sheinbaum a banqueros

El país sólo crecerá, y habrá bienestar, si bancos y gobierno otorgan más financiamiento, dice la Presidenta

88 CONVENCIÓN BANCARIA 2025

EDUARDO DINA Enviado —cartera@eluniversal.com.mx

Nuevo Nayarit, Nay.— Al señalar que hay un "problema" en el acceso al crédito, la presidenta Claudia Sheinbaum Pardo pidió ayer a los bancos que operan en el país atender ese rezago.

Durante la inauguración de la 88 Convención Bancaria, dijo que en México el crédito al sector privado representa apenas 33% del PIB, mientras que en Brasil llega a 72%. "Un objetivo del gobierno y la banca tiene que ser el mayor acceso al crédito, si queremos que haya no solamente crecimiento, sino fundamentalmente bienestar para los mexicanos", destacó.

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La presidenta Claudia Sheinbaum, en la Convención Bancaria.

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No sólo el combustible que los cárteles roban a Pemex sigue la ruta hacia Estados Unidos, también hay una red criminal para trasladarlo a Guatemala y Belice. | NACIÓN | A10

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LEÓN XIV, PRIMER PAPA ESTADUNIDENSE

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ROBERT PREVOST ESTÁ COMPROMETIDO CON LOS POBRES, LOS MIGRANTES Y LA LUCHA CONTRA LA CRISIS CLIMÁTICA. OPOSITOR A LA TENENCIA DE ARMAS EN EU, LLAMÓ A LA PAZ "DESARMANTE, HUMILDE Y PERSEVERANTE". / 21-28



Tiene 69 años, habla español y es de ascendencia latina.



Impulsó la Declaración de Roma para el uso ético de la IA.

León y Francisco, amigos desde el siglo XIII

El nombre tomado por Robert Prevost alude a su amistad con Jorge Bergoglio: Fray León fue el confidente de Francisco de Asís. / 25

"Ayúdanos a construir puentes con el diálogo"

El obispo de Roma mostró señales de que defenderá al catolicismo tradicional y también al progresismo de Francisco. / 23

En el mundo, alegría y esperanza

Desde Trump hasta Putin, líderes globales y fieles felicitaron al Papa con el deseo de que sea un faro en tiempos difíciles. / 22 y 28

Fue misionero y obispo en Perú; se nacionalizó peruano.



Es de la orden de los agustinos, que tiene como pilar la caridad.



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"EL PODER JUDICIAL NO NOS DEJA PROCEDER"

Aunque la FGR ha solicitado al Consejo de la Judicatura proceder contra jueces corruptos, no ha habido acción alguna, afirmó el fiscal Alejandro Gertz Manero. / 9

"No nos permite llevar esos juicios más que cuando ellos lo autorizan; va contra la esencia de un proceso legal de responsabilidad penal."



Foto: Mateo Reyes

PRIMERA

DISMINUYEN 25% LOS HOMICIDIOS DOLOSOS

En siete meses, los asesinatos pasaron de 86.9 a 65.3 casos diarios; Omar García Harfuch, secretario de Seguridad federal, destacó la captura de 20 mil presuntos criminales. / 9

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se redujeron los delitos de alto impacto de octubre a abril.



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CLAUDIA SHEINBAUM INAUGURÓ LA 88 CONVENCIÓN BANCARIA

Prioridad, dar más créditos

POR LINDSAY H. ESQUIVEL Y KARLA PONCE
Enviadas

NUEVO VALLARTA.— Uno de los objetivos prioritarios del gobierno federal es colaborar con la banca para expandir el acceso al crédito para la población mexicana, afirmó la presidenta Claudia Sheinbaum Pardo.

"Si nos comparamos con Japón, con Estados Unidos, con Corea, con Francia, con Chile, para tener una economía similar, o con Brasil, con Alemania, Italia, Turquía, Perú, Colombia, el acceso al crédito de los mexicanos solamente alcanza 33%", señaló durante la 88 Convención Bancaria.

Presentó diapositivas que indican que México es la segunda nación con menor crédito total al sector no financiero y la segunda con menor crédito a empresas.

Para revertir esta estadística, el gobierno federal firmó un convenio con la Asociación de Bancos de México enfocado a lograr



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que al menos 30% de las micro, pequeñas y medianas empresas (mipymes) que operan en el país tengan crédito formal bancario para el cierre de 2030. Julio Carranza, presidente de la Asociación de Bancos de México, destacó que adicionalmente, la banca coadyuvará a reducir las tasas de interés en los principales productos de crédito.

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EL VATICANO ELIGE LA CONTINUIDAD CON LEÓN XIV

Bergogliano y crítico de Trump

- Matemático, misionero en Perú y asesor para nombramiento de obispos
- Sheinbaum resalta la "convergencia humanista" con el jefe de la Iglesia católica
- Para el mandatario republicano, "es un honor que sea estadounidense"

EQUIPO MILENIO - PÁGS. 4 A 10 Y 38

88 CONVENCIÓN BANCARIA

Claudia: solo con más crédito se puede lograr la prosperidad

EQUIPO MILENIO, NUEVO VALLARTA

Julio Carranza, de la Asociación de Bancos de México, aceptó el llamado de la presidenta Claudia Sheinbaum de incrementar el crédito para garantizar la prosperidad compartida, pues solo 33% de la población tiene ese beneficio en la actualidad. La Secretaría de Hacienda reveló un acuerdo con la banca para elevar 3.4% el apoyo a pymes. PÁG. 18

Baja de 25% en homicidios

García Harfuch: 193 fallos de jueces a favor de criminales

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GAM. Viento tumba escenario para festejo a madres; 7 heridos

"Recortes de Musk matan niños": Gates

El multimillonario prevé poner fin a su fundación en 2045, luego de donar a filantropía 200 mil mdd

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WALMART PARK, ACUERDO HISTÓRICO DE SULTANES

Alianza en favor de 22 mil asistentes al estadio, testigo de cinco títulos desde 1990 DANIEL SANTILLÁN - PÁGS. 34 Y 35





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Casi 200 resoluciones a favor de delincuentes, dice titular de SSPC

Por los fallos de jueces, más de 100 criminales libres: García Harfuch

● Bloquea PJ denuncias por delitos contra administración de la justicia, acusa fiscal Gertz

ALONSO URRUTIA Y ALMA E. MUÑOZ / P 3

Entre octubre y abril, asesinatos cayeron 25%; son 21 menos al día, reporta el SNSP

ALONSO URRUTIA Y ALMA E. MUÑOZ / P 4

Juez exhibido en mañanera se candidatea

Cargo: Juez de distrito en Sonora.

Emitió 15 resoluciones para egresos por cambio de medida cautelar.



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Humo blanco: estadounidense-peruano y crítico de Trump, el papa León XIV



● Robert Francis Prevost, de 69 años y originario de Chicago, se convirtió ayer en el pontífice número 267

● Hombre de confianza de Francisco, prevén que mantenga su compromiso con la justicia social

● En diferentes mensajes en redes sociales ha reprobado el racismo y las acciones antimigrantes del magnate

● Lo felicitan mandatarios de todo el mundo, incluidos progresistas y autoritarios
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▲ Con mensajes de "paz y justicia" en italiano y español, el ex misionero abogó por una Iglesia que reciba con "los brazos abiertos a todos los que necesitan caridad y amor". Fotos Afp

Dejar de pagar el Fobaproa "no es posible técnica ni financieramente": Morena

"Se vale revisar" el proceso de rescate de los bancos, dice ABM

● Ninguna mella en las inversiones hacia México por aranceles de EU: Sheinbaum

● Inauguró ayer la Presidenta en Nuevo Vallarta, Nayarit, la 88 convención del sector

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la impunidad sí
tiene fecha de
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Primer reporte de fuga de Pemex, el 26 de abril



▲ En la explanada de la Gustavo A. Madero iba a tener lugar ayer una celebración por el Día de las Madres, pero cuando ya casi estaba todo listo, un chaparrón

con ráfagas de viento los sorprendió y una de las torres metálicas se venció; el alcalde se congratuló de que no hubiera víctimas mortales. Foto Marco Peláez

● La información no se hizo pública a pesar del daño en costas de Tabasco

● El derrame fue de 300 barriles; ya empezó la limpia, dice Sheinbaum

D. GONZÁLEZ Y A. MUÑOZ / P 25

A punto de iniciar festejo del 10 de mayo en la GAM cae estructura

● Colapso de escenario deja siete lesionados, de los que dos fueron trasladados a un hospital en estado delicado

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Recibe Putin a Xi en el Kremlin

Relación con China, en su nivel más alto: Rusia

● Reivindican su derecho a estrechar lazos en beneficio mutuo pese a amenazas de Trump

JUAN PABLO DUCH, CORRESPONSAL / P 23

Viceministro de Exteriores de la isla

Por bloqueo, "Cuba vive en agresión permanente"

● Sólo falta ataque militar: Carlos Fernández

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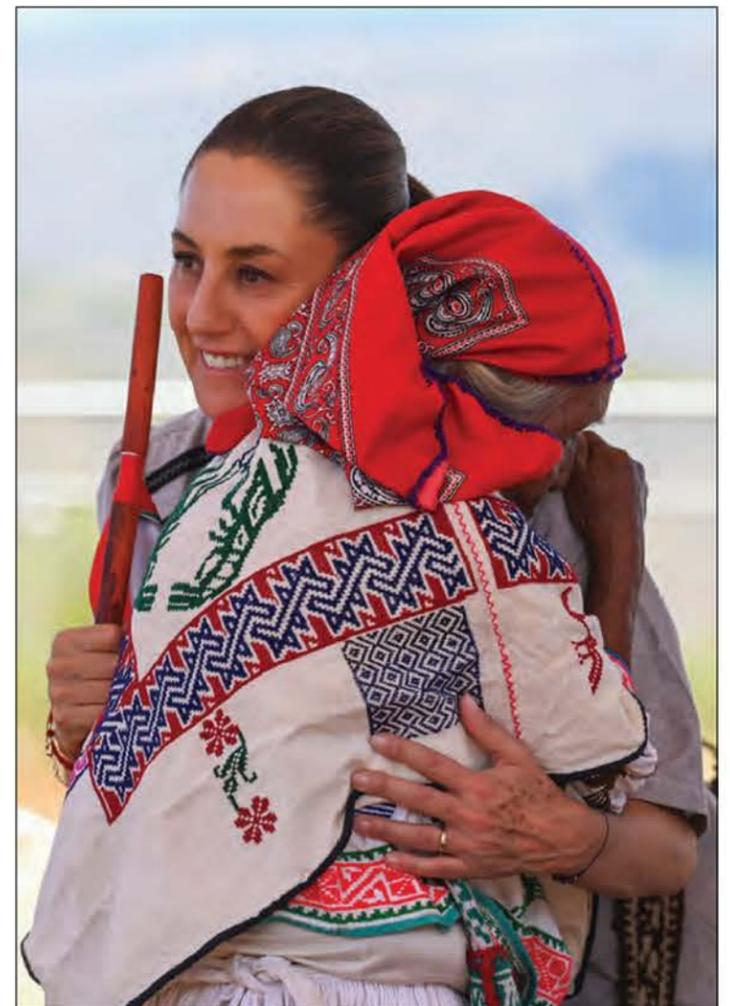
Plantea devolverlos a estados de origen

El PAN quiere echar de la CDMX a niños de la calle

● Morena ataja propuesta en Congreso local

ÁNGEL BOLAÑOS / P 29

Justicia para pueblo wixárica



▲ La presidenta Claudia Sheinbaum firmó ayer, en el municipio de La Yesca, Nayarit, el decreto para la restitución de casi 6 mil hectáreas a la

comunidad de San Sebastián Teponahuatlán y su anexo Tuxpan, que se localizan en Jalisco. Foto Presidencia M. NAVARRO, CORRESPONSAL / P 11



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Cardenales eligen al nuevo papa; es de EU y se llamará León XIV

• Identificado con el ala moderada de la Iglesia y con un carácter pragmático, el nuevo papa hizo labor pastoral en Perú durante tres décadas; Francisco lo llevó al Vaticano en 2023. ● PÁGS. 43-44

“Quiero que este mensaje de paz llegue a todos ustedes, a sus familias, a todas las personas, estén donde estén, a todos los pueblos, a toda la tierra”.

papa León XIV, PRIMER DISCURSO.

Trump arremete contra el presidente de la Fed por no haber bajado las tasas

• El presidente de EU armó una campaña en sus redes para atacar y cuestionar la decisión de la Reserva Federal. Asegura que no hay inflación.

“El recorte (de las tasas) sería como gasolina para aviones para la economía de EU, pero (Powell) no quiere hacerlo”.

Donald Trump, PRESIDENTE DE EU.

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Bolsas y bitcoin, al alza tras acuerdo comercial entre EU y GB.

101,537 DÓLARES cotizó la criptomoneda tras el anuncio. ● PÁGS. 16 Y 20

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Registró 3.99% anualizada en el cuarto mes

Inflación acelera en abril; hiló tres meses al alza y está en el límite del rango de Banxico

• Los precios al productor tuvieron un ligero retroceso, pero su crecimiento todavía se ubica por arriba de 7%.

• Jitomate, aguacate y carne encarecieron; electricidad, gasolina y huevo, a la baja.

Jorge Argüeta

● PÁG. 6

CONVENCIÓN Bancaria En Primer Plano

La banca y el gobierno acuerdan incrementar crédito para mipymes



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“Si tenemos un problema, el acceso al crédito; si queremos crecimiento y bienestar para la población, el objetivo de la banca y el gobierno es mejorar el acceso al financiamiento”.

Claudia Sheinbaum, PRESIDENTA DE MÉXICO. PÁGS. 1-5

La banca asume el reto de bajar tasas de interés para las empresas



“Adicionalmente, la banca coadyuvará a reducir las tasas de interés activas en los principales productos”.

Julio Carranza, PRESIDENTE SALIENTE DE LA ABM.

SHCP: Hay margen para profundizar la intermediación financiera



“Las mipymes generan 70.6% del empleo en el país y sólo reciben 4.4% del financiamiento bancario”.

Edgar Amador, SECRETARIO DE HACIENDA.

Banxico: entrada de más participantes beneficia a los usuarios de la banca



“En los últimos años hemos forjado sólidos cimientos y esto permite apoyar el crecimiento económico”.

Victoria Rodríguez Ceja, GOBERNADORA DE BANXICO.

Sólo un tercio del PIB, a crédito para empresas



Bancos, gobiernos y empresas han quedado cortos en crédito: Altagracia Gómez ● PÁG. 8

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PRIMER LLAMADO: CONSTRUIR PUENTES DE PAZ. Robert Francis Prevost fue elegido papa. Se trata del primer pontífice de EU. Tiene 69 años y estudió matemáticas. Es agustino y vivió 20 años en Perú, donde obtuvo la nacionalidad. **PÁG. 28**



CLAUDIA SHEINBAUM

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"ES UN GRAN HONOR SABER QUE ES EL PRIMER PAPA ESTADOUNIDENSE. ¡QUÉ GRAN HONOR PARA NUESTRO PAÍS!" **PÁG. 30**



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SE ACELERA A 3.93% ANUAL, SU MAYOR NIVEL EN EL AÑO

El desempeño registrado en el INPC fue impulsado por los precios de mercancías y servicios.

Inflación al consumidor
Variación porcentual anual



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Confía Sheinbaum en prosperidad compartida con EU

Mensaje. Buena relación bilateral, clave en nuestro bienestar

La presidenta Claudia Sheinbaum se dijo optimista de que México pueda avanzar hacia una prosperidad compartida con la de EU, ante la buena relación que ha logrado su gobierno. En la inauguración de la 88 Convención Bancaria, dijo sentirse orgullosa de que no sólo hay una buena relación con EU, sino entre funcionarios. Destacó que la banca ha logrado una alta rentabilidad, aunque persiste el problema del limitado acceso al crédito. —F. Gazcón/A. Martínez/J. Leyva / PÁGS. 4 Y 5



Convenio. Pactan banca y gobierno elevar en 3.5% anual financiamiento a Pymes.

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Septiembre 2024	86.9
Abril 2025	65.3

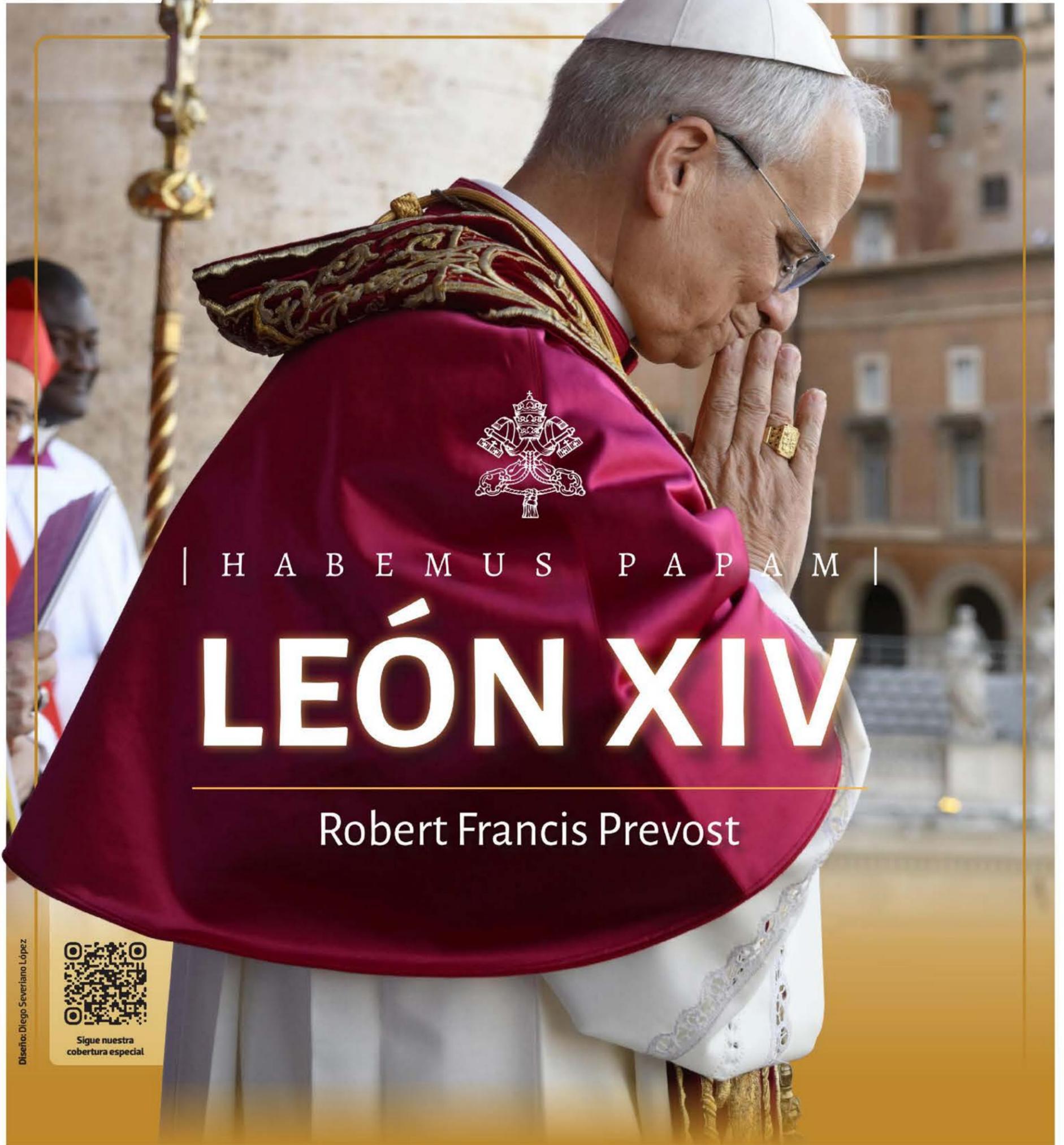
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León XIV, un Papa de EU con aire latino

Robert Francis Prevost fue elegido como el Pontífice 267. En medio de un contexto global de tensiones geopolíticas y polarización social, el originario de Chicago, Estados Unidos, y nacionalizado peruano, instó a construir puentes y al diálogo; además, reconoció a Francisco, su predecesor, de quien fue muy cercano. En su mensaje, señaló que la Iglesia busca la paz, que Dios ama a todos y que el mal no va a prevalecer **MUNDO P. 11 Y 12**

SHEINBAUM ACUERDA CON LA BANCA DAR APOYO A LAS PYMES
Tras la firma del pacto, la mandataria externó su optimismo sobre la negociación de aranceles con Estados Unidos **NEGOCIOS P. 16**



Exhibe García Harfuch a jueces por liberar a 164 delincuentes

El funcionario destacó que en lo que va del sexenio, las determinaciones favorecieron a 26 personas que pertenecían a diferentes grupos criminales como los cárteles Del Golfo y De Sinaloa, entre otros. En tanto, el INE reafirmó que no anulará candidaturas irregulares al PJ **MÉXICO P. 3**

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DIÁ DE LAS MADRES

MAMÁ, CAPAZ DE TODO POR AMOR A SUS HIJOS

Ser madre hace que se olviden los límites establecidos, como Cristina Robles, quien se abrió paso hace más de dos décadas como organillera en un oficio de origen machista; otras, como las buscadoras Fabiola Campos e Isabel Cruz resignifican la maternidad en su lucha por localizar a sus familiares **PÁGINAS 7, 13 Y 18**

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DESTACAN REDUCCIÓN DE HOMICIDIOS: EN 7 MESES 25% MENOS

LA BAJA se traduce en 21 asesinatos diarios menos entre abril y septiembre, informa Sheinbaum; denuncia Harfuch que 193 fallos de jueces favorecieron a delincuentes. **págs. 13 y 14**

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LA PRESIDENTA Claudia Sheinbaum, con el secretario García Harfuch, ayer.

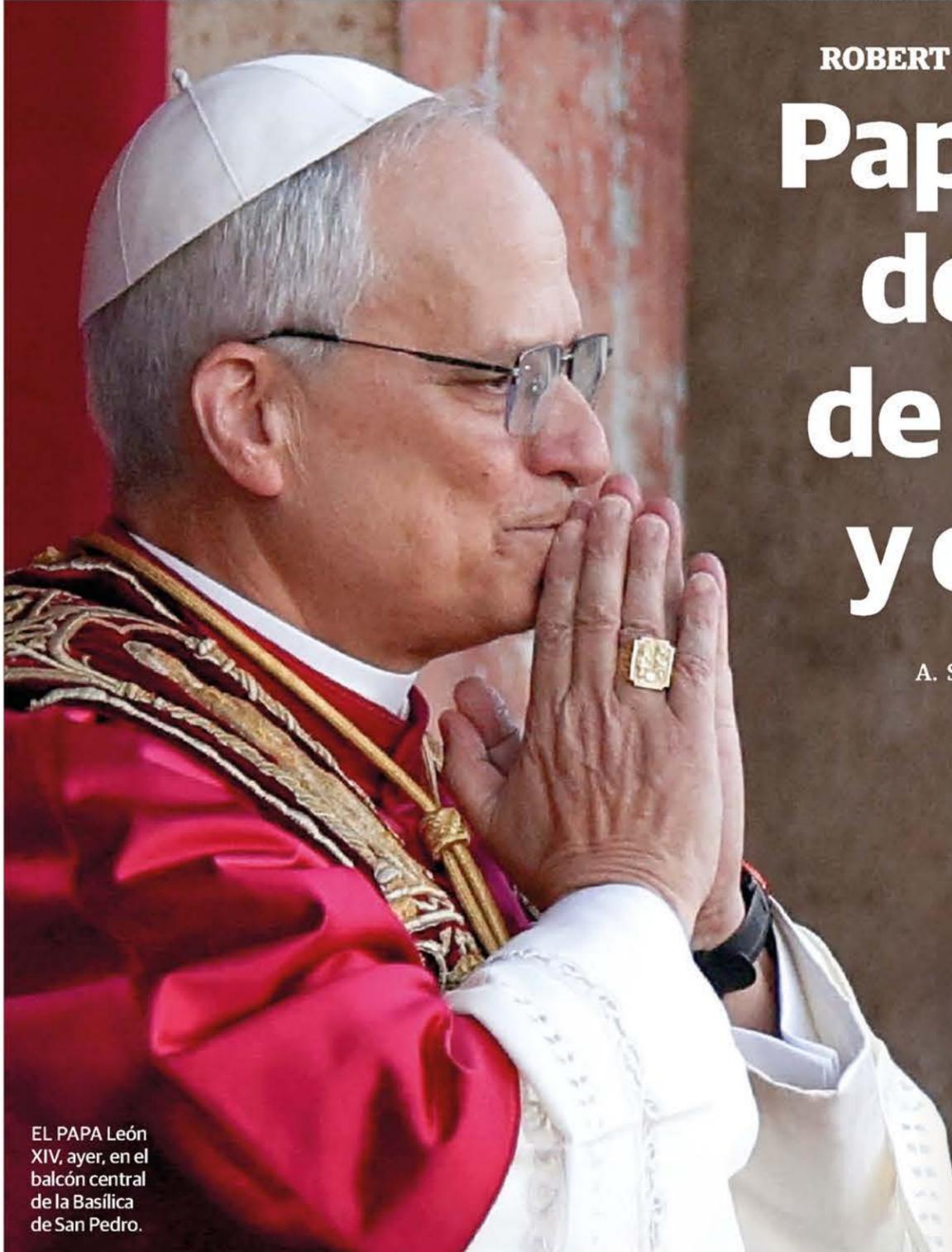


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ROBERT FRANCIS PREVOST MARTÍNEZ, LEÓN XIV

Papa misionero, de EU y Perú, de continuidad y conciliación

A. SALDÍVAR, C. ARELLANO, T. GÓMEZ Y S. RAMÍREZ

Cónclave elige en segundo día al pontífice 267; opta por agustino de 69 años nacido en Chicago y quien tuvo su principal misión pastoral en el país sudamericano

Toma su nombre de León XIII, renovador de la doctrina social en una época de crisis del catolicismo; en su primer discurso aboga por la paz y el diálogo

También reconoce a Francisco, plantea Iglesia cercana a los que sufren y manda mensaje en español; retoma uso de estola y muceta, discontinuado por su antecesor



QUEREMOS ser una Iglesia sinodal, una Iglesia que camina, una Iglesia que busca siempre la paz, que busca siempre la caridad, que busca siempre estar cercana, sobre todo a aquellos que sufren"

ÉSTA es la paz de Cristo resucitado, una paz desarmada y desarmante y también perseverante que proviene de Dios que nos ama a todos incondicionalmente"

PAPA LEÓN XIV
Primer discurso

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LEÓN XIV

CIUDAD DEL VATICANO. Alrededor de 95 votos de sus compañeros cardenales llevaron a Robert Francis Prevost a convertirse en León XIV, el Papa 267 de la Iglesia católica y sucesor del Papa Francisco. "La paz sea con ustedes", fueron las palabras del primer Papa estadounidense y peruano frente a miles reunidos en la Plaza de San Pedro. "Con una rapidez que puede sorprender solo a aquellos que leen la vida de la Iglesia con las lentes de la política, el cónclave ha designado al sucesor de Pedro", destacó el director editorial del Vaticano Dicasteterio de la Comunicación, Andrea Tornielli. **Pág. 24 y 25**





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An American Pope

Leo XIV, of Chicago, Took Global Path to Top of Church



Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost, now Pope Leo XIV, greeting the crowd outside St. Peter's Basilica on Thursday after his election.



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In the St. Pius V Catholic Church in Chicago, where the new pope was born, and in Vatican City after his election was announced.

Surprise and Joy in Hometown and Beyond

This article is by Jack Healy, Julie Bosman, Kate Selig and Michael Levenson.

On the steps of Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, a group of excited sixth graders dressed in Catholic school uniforms began jumping up and down. "Long live the pope!" they chanted. "Long live the pope!"

In Chiclayo, Peru, the Rev. Pedro Vásquez, 82, was also overjoyed. "My heart is going to fail me!" he exclaimed, shocked that the city's former bishop was the new pope. "I'm going to faint! Oh my god! Oh my god!"

And there was bewilderment, at least momentarily, that the cardinals had chosen a leader from the last place where many assumed they would look: the United States.

Fabio Vagnarelli, a 42-year-old Roman actor who had expected an Asian pope to be elected, said that when the new pope first appeared on the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica, "in the crowd, you could feel a moment of, Who?"

The elevation of Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost as the first pope from the United States touched off an avalanche of surprise and emotion among Roman Catholics around the world.

Many said they were astonished that the 2,000-year-old religious institution had chosen an American priest as its new leader. Cardinal Prevost, 69, who was born in Chicago, took the name Pope Leo XIV.

"We got what we never expected," said the Rev. Lawrence Tajah, a chaplain for the Nigerian community in Hyattsville, Md. "The public speculations never really focused on America, but rather Asia, Africa, and probably Rome or Italy. But this is a very big surprise for us, and a very good one, too, perhaps because it came from a place we never anticipated."

The announcement even prompted a rare moment of bipartisanship.

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A Vatican Official Is Viewed as a Middle Way

This article is by Motoko Rich, Elizabeth Dias and Jason Horowitz.

Robert Francis Prevost, who was elected the 267th pope of the Roman Catholic Church on Thursday and took the name Pope Leo XIV, is the first pope from the United States.

The decision from the 133 voting cardinals, which arrived in a plume of white smoke at the end of their second day of voting inside the secrecy of the Sistine Chapel, defied longstanding belief that church leaders would never select a pope from a global superpower that already has considerable influence in world affairs.

Taking the name Pope Leo XIV, he shares Francis' commitment to helping the poor and migrants. He was once the leader of his religious order, the Augustinians, whose members are called to live simply and devote themselves to ministering to those in need.

In his first address as pope to the crowd in St. Peter's Square, he said in Italian, "We must seek together how to be a missionary church, a church that builds bridges, dialogue, always open to receive like this square with open arms."

As an American, he is uniquely positioned to stand in contrast to the energized conservative Catholicism in his home country, and has pushed back forcefully against the militant vision of Christian power that the Trump administration has elevated.

Months before Cardinal Prevost became pope, a social media account under his name expressed criticism of Vice President JD Vance, who had asserted on Fox News that Christian theology could justify turning away migrants and strangers in need because it actually ranks caring for family first. The account posted on X that "J.D. Vance is wrong: Jesus doesn't ask us to rank our love for others."

Despite his American roots, the Chicago-born polyglot, 69, is

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U.S. and U.K. Set Trade Plan, But Some Levies Will Be Kept

By ANA SWANSON and JONATHAN SWAN

WASHINGTON — President Trump announced on Thursday that the United States intended to sign a trade deal with Britain that would bring the two nations closer and roll back some of the punishing tariffs he issued on that country's products.

Both sides consider a trade pact deeply beneficial, and a deal has been under discussion since Mr. Trump's first term. But the announcement on Thursday was

still short on details, reflecting the haste of the Trump administration's efforts to negotiate with more than a dozen nations and rework the global trading system in a matter of months.

The agreement, which Mr. Trump said would be the first of many, would include Britain's dropping its tariffs on U.S. beef, ethanol, sports equipment and other products, and buying \$10 billion of Boeing airplanes. The United States in return said it would pare back tariffs that Mr. Trump has put on cars and steel, though it will leave a 10 percent levy in place for all British exports.

Neither government has said when the agreement would go into effect. Officials from both governments will need to meet in the coming months to hammer out specific language, leaving open the potential for disagreements. The British government said it was still pushing to bring down

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Keir Starmer of Britain could gain political points at home.

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Trump Pulls U.S. Attorney Pick as Support Flags

This article is by Glenn Thrush, Alan Feuer, Maggie Haberman and Devlin Barrett.

WASHINGTON — Ed Martin, the interim U.S. attorney for Washington, was breezing toward the office elevator in his signature trench coat in February when he passed a group of about 10 young prosecutors preparing to leave, framed diplomas and keepsakes in hand.

"Whoa, what's going on here?" Mr. Martin asked with a chuckle, seemingly oblivious to who they

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were and where they were going, according to people with knowledge of the exchange.

The lawyers were too stunned to speak. They had just been fired — part of a purge, overseen by Mr. Martin, of about two dozen prosecutors detailed during the Biden

administration to prosecute the rioters who stormed the Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021.

President Trump nominated Mr. Martin, a conservative Republican political operative from Missouri, to permanently run the U.S. attorney's office in part because he has emerged as one of the most passionate defenders of Jan. 6 rioters, a small but vocal far-right group that wields outsized influence. Mr. Martin has, in turn, used his authority to help carry out Mr. Trump's retribution campaign.

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Newark Panic: Chain of Errors At Travel Hub

By KATE KELLY

On a recent afternoon in Philadelphia, an air traffic controller began shouting that he had lost his radar feed for planes flying in and out of Newark Liberty International Airport.

Some of his colleagues still had radar but their radios went dead, prompting frantic calls to their counterparts in New York urging them to keep their planes away from Newark's airspace.

Then, for 30 harrowing seconds until the radios came back, there was nothing more to do but hope — as they had no means of telling pilots how to avoid crashing their planes into one another.

Shortly after that, one controller discovered a trainee, who had been directing Newark traffic under supervision just moments earlier, shaking in the hallway.

That was the chaotic scene on Monday, April 28, according to several people who were present when controllers working the airspace for Newark lost the means to do their jobs.

The failure of the system the controllers rely on left several of those on duty that day with extreme anxiety, requiring a mental health respite that has caused low staffing levels for days since. It has also prompted more than 1,000 flights at one of the nation's busiest airports to be canceled or delayed, leaving some passengers

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The Great Salt Lake Is Drying Up

Losing the lake would be an environmental disaster with health and economic effects extending far beyond Utah. The state is trying to reverse the decline, but critics say it is doing too little. PAGE A18.



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First American pope is chosen



Cardinal Robert Prevost of the United States, newly elected Pope Leo XIV, greets his worldwide flock Thursday from the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican.

CHICAGO NATIVE SIGNALS CONTINUITY

Leo XIV solidifies shift in power away from Europe

BY ANTHONY FAIOLA, MICHELLE BOORSTEIN AND STEFANO PITRELLI

VATICAN CITY — As the sun set Thursday over St. Peter's Basilica, a 69-year-old prelate who began his calling as a Chicago altar boy stepped onto the central balcony as the first American pope, stunning Vatican City and the world by breaking the long-standing taboo of electing the son of a global superpower to lead the Catholic Church.

Naming himself Pope Leo XIV, a title that nods to the social teachings of the church, the man born Robert Prevost began what could be a long, new chapter in a divided faith. From the balcony, Leo acknowledged the late Francis, a patron who had elevated him, from a priest who spent two decades as a missionary in Peru to one of the powerful positions in the Vatican, where he oversaw the promotion of the church's hierarchy.

The election of a first North American pontiff came immediately after the death of the first Latin American pope, and it signaled a certain relinquishing of papal authority from Europe, the continent whose popes had dominated the ancient and modern church, and a region where the faith is now flagging. Accusations that Leo, when serving in Peru and the United States, mishandled or failed to act on sexual abuse could lead to further challenges in countries like Germany, where hundreds of thousands have fled the pews in disgust over the mishandling of such cases by the church.

Also in question is how completely the Global South, where the Catholic Church is growing the fastest and where some countries harbor skeptical views of the United States, will embrace the new pope. But during his time in Peru, Leo became a dual citizen, and some Latin Americans were quick to claim him as an adopted son.

Leo's positions on many of the hot-button issues separating traditionalists from reformers are less than clear. More than a decade ago, he indicated distaste for the normalization of homosexuality in pop culture and has shown skepticism on the notion of ordaining women as deacons.

But, from the balcony, he signaled a certain measure of continuity with Francis, who challenged norms, embraced migrants and the poor and sought to

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Path to papacy wound through Peru, Vatican

BY CHICO HARLAN AND EMILY WAX-THIBODEAUX

ROME — Robert Prevost broke a historical taboo against American popes with a path that was anything but typically American.

Though the man now called Leo XIV is a Chicago native, he is known in Rome as the "Latin Yankee" for the decades he spent in Peru, ministering to the dispossessed and marginalized and even becoming a naturalized citizen. Until several weeks ago, he held one of the most important Vatican posts, overseeing the powerful office that vets bishops from around the world.

His rise — as a multilingual American with global experience and contacts — marks an attempt by the Catholic Church to find a middle ground at a time of wide internal divisions.

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In St. Peter's Square, the crowd celebrates the appearance of white smoke from the Sistine Chapel's chimney, indicating the selection of a new pope. "Peace be with you all," Leo said when he emerged.

Bells toll in U.S. as faithful grasp the 'unbelievable'

BY KIM BELLWARE, JOANNA SLATER, DANA MUNRO AND MICHELLE BOORSTEIN

CHICAGO — John McGreevy struggled at first to find the words to express his amazement.

"Unbelievable," said McGreevy, a prominent historian of Catholicism at the University of Notre Dame, minutes after Chicago native Robert Prevost was announced as the next pope. "This is stuff you wouldn't have ever thought would happen. An American pope. Amazing."

For millions of U.S. Catholics, Thursday's elevation of an American to the papacy was a source of joy and surprise, something that had not seemed possible — until suddenly it was.

Many experts said that the dominance of the United States

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Martin out as U.S. attorney, to be replaced by Fox host

BY SPENCER S. HSU, PATRICK SVITEK AND KEITH L. ALEXANDER

President Donald Trump on Thursday named Fox News host Jeanine Pirro to take over as interim U.S. attorney for D.C., replacing embattled nominee Ed Martin after 15 tumultuous weeks in office marked by his threats to investigate Trump's perceived political adversaries and firings and demotions of career prosecutors who handled cases involving the president and the Jan. 6, 2021, U.S. Capitol attack.

Pirro, 73, a former judge in Westchester County, New York, who served as elected prosecutor

from 1993 until 2005, has been one of Trump's most reliable backers in Fox News's stable of conservative commentators.

Announcing the move on social media, Trump called Pirro "a powerful crusader for victims of crime." He added, "Jeanine is incredibly well qualified for this position, and is considered one of the Top District Attorneys in the History of the State of New York."

Pirro will take over for Martin, 55, an ardent Trump loyalist, before his 120-day interim appointment ends May 20.

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U.S., Britain reach trade pact in first agreement on tariffs

BY JEFF STEIN, NATALIE ALLISON AND MICHAEL BIRNBAUM

President Donald Trump on Thursday announced a new trade pact with Britain that he touted as likely to be just the first of many agreements with countries around the world, as the administration races to mitigate the damage from its global trade war.

Joined in the Oval Office by several of his top advisers and the new British ambassador to Washington, Trump praised the deal and said it would lower trade restrictions for U.S. exporters while bringing the two countries into closer economic alignment.

Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick and other administration officials said the deal would create \$5 billion in economic opportunities for U.S. exports, saying Britain had agreed to step up purchases of ethanol, beef, planes and other products while lowering tariffs and other domestic restrictions. Trump said the 10 percent minimum tariff he applied to all countries would remain in effect on Britain, but that certain British exports — such as automobiles — would be spared higher tariffs. Jet engines and aircraft eyed amid U.S. talks. A16

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President wants higher taxes on the wealthy in budget bill

BY JACOB BOGAGE AND JEFF STEIN

President Donald Trump instructed congressional Republicans this week to raise taxes on the wealthiest earners as part of his "big, beautiful bill," rattling his party's brittle consensus on economic issues and muddling the GOP's path toward enacting his campaign promises.

Congress is working to extend lower rates for individuals from Trump's 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act that are set to expire at the end of this year. Trump, in recent conversation with House Speaker Mike Johnson (R-Louisiana), said Congress should raise taxes on

some of the highest earners, according to two people familiar with the president's position who spoke on the condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to discuss the issue publicly.

Administration officials have discussed several options for doing so, including allowing the top tax rate to revert back to Obama-era levels. Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent has also floated creating a tax bracket for those earning more than \$5 million per year.

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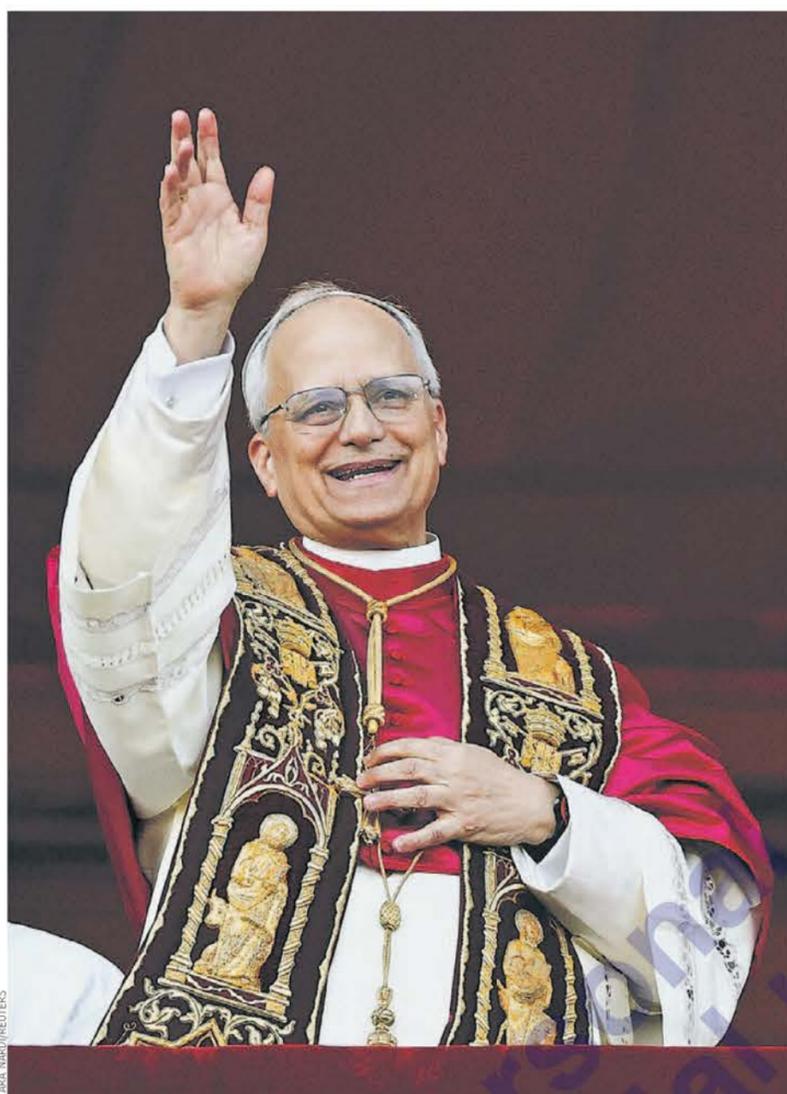
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First Pope From U.S. Elected

Chicago-born Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost, who served in Peru and the Vatican, becomes Pope Leo XIV



Pope Leo XIV greeted the masses from the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican Thursday.

VATICAN CITY—The Roman Catholic Church elected the first pope from the U.S. in its history, placing its 1.4 billion faithful in the hands of a missionary-turned-Vatican prelate who has been critical of the Trump administration's crackdown on immigration.

By Stacy Meichtry, Margherita Stancati, Owen Tucker-Smith and Ian Lovett

Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost, a 69-year-old native of Chicago, emerged on the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica and was introduced to the world as Pope Leo XIV. A throng of more than 100,000 pilgrims, tourists and ordinary Romans filling the square be-

low reacted with surprise at the election of a pope from the U.S.—an event that had long been considered unthinkable.

Delivering his first Urbi et Orbi address to “the city and the world,” Leo positioned himself as a unifying figure for a world beset by conflicts and for the Catholic Church, riven by years of ideological tensions between its progressive and conservative wings.

Paying homage to the inclusive spirit of his predecessor, the late Pope Francis, Leo stressed the importance of “synodality,” or gatherings of the bishops and dialogue with laypeople to debate major moral and practical challenges facing the church. That approach, promoted under Francis, Please turn to page A9

A Fractured Church Seeks Steady Leader

When Catholic cardinals broke with convention and elected the first American pope in the church's nearly 2,000-year history, they set-

By Joshua Chaffin, Ryan Dubé, Aaron Zitner and Joe Barrett

led on a Chicagoan who has spent much of his adult life abroad.

Robert Prevost, the cardinal who emerged on the Vatican balcony on Thursday as Pope Leo XIV, lived and worked for two decades in Peru as a missionary and parish priest—so

long that he eventually obtained dual citizenship. More recently, Prevost, 69 years old, has served in the Vatican as a close aide to the late Pope Francis.

In selecting Prevost, the conclave appears to be betting that his mixed identity—a pope both of America and the world—will serve him well as leader of a global church trying to navigate a time of turmoil and transition.

Its center of gravity is increasingly spread across a distant periphery, including Latin America, where Prevost enjoys Please turn to page A9

Toys, Tools Blocked By Tariff Chaos

Importers cancel orders, while Chinese factories cut staff and offload goods

Six thousand inflatable snowmen and holiday figurines are sitting in Alan Chau's Guangdong factory with nowhere to go.

By Rebecca Feng, Hannah Miao and Natasha Khan

His customer, an American toy maker, planned to sell the holiday-themed products to QVC for the TV-shopping network's “Christmas in July” programming. The TV-shopping network froze the shipment after President Trump raised tariffs on Chinese goods to 145%. Now, Chau faces a cash

crunch as new orders dry up and money to pay his workers runs low. The Hong Konger who has worked in China's toy manufacturing industry for two decades said he's only sleeping a few hours a night and stays glued to the news when awake, watching for U.S. tariff changes. If a deal between the U.S. and China isn't reached soon, he said, he might have to declare bankruptcy, affecting his Chinese workers and suppliers and his Please turn to page A6

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Their Fridge Obsession Is a Recipe for Discontent

Rattan baskets, framed photos and lights.

How do you ever find the milk?

By JENNIFER WILLIAMS

When Susan Wolf's partner went away for a week last November, she knew exactly what to do with the alone time.

It started with emptying the contents of their refrigerator, followed by a deep clean. Then came the staging.

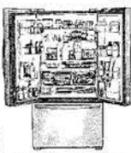
Mustard, soy sauce and other condiments were artfully repackaged in stylish containers. Baby carrots were submerged in water, arranged in a decorative container and given pride of place on the top shelf. Small pumpkins were scattered here and there.

Several hours and several well-placed vegetables and vases later, Wolf had completed her first fridgescape.

The 49-year-old healthcare worker was hooked—even as she carefully navigated her design to actually eat. She looked at the display under the glow of the refrigerator light, wondering when she might again have the chance to beautify her chilled foods and beverages.

Reality intruded when her partner André Johnson's trip ended. “It lasted about 10 minutes from his getting home,” Wolf said of her fridgescape.

Fridgescapes took the internet by storm last year. Now, more households are sprucing up the humble insides of their refrigerators, feeding the desire to make every nook and cranny of their homes whimsical and, for some, the need to Please turn to page A2



Cold comfort

Trump Unveils Framework For a Trade Deal With U.K.

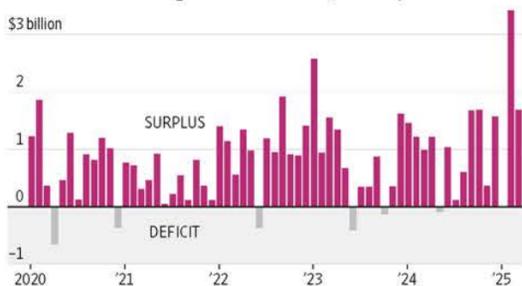
By NATALIE ANDREWS AND MAX COLCHESTER

WASHINGTON—President Trump said Thursday his administration and the U.K. agreed to the outlines of a deal on trade, the first in what the White House hopes will be a series of agreements in the wake of U.S. tariffs imposed on allies and adversaries alike.

“It's very conclusive, and we think everyone's going to be happy,” Trump said. “Many countries want to make a deal, and many countries are very unhappy that we happened to choose this one.”

The pact, which appeared to have been put together hastily by U.S. and U.K. officials, is fairly limited in scope. The Trump administration agreed to roll back tariffs imposed on British steel and au-

U.S. trade balance in goods with the U.K., monthly



Source: Commerce Department

tomobiles in exchange for purchasing Boeing jets and giving U.S. farmers greater access to U.K. markets.

Under the deal, most U.K. goods will still be subject to the global 10% tariff the U.S. imposed on all countries in April. But U.K. steel and alu-

minum will be exempt from the U.S.'s 25% levy and U.K. car tariffs will be lowered to Please turn to page A6

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CEO of 1-800-Flowers Decides to 'Fire Myself'

By SARAH NASSAUER

Over nearly half a century, Jim McCann turned a Manhattan flower shop into 1-800-Flowers.com, one of the country's largest floral-and-gift delivery companies.

But with business slowing, the 73-year-old has decided the one thing it needs is a little less Jim McCann.

“In this case, the best thing I can do is fire myself and hire someone who's much more skilled than I am in the areas that are important to the company going forward,” McCann said in an interview.

He plans to step away from the chief executive role at the company, which has \$2 billion a year in sales.

The company's sales and profit skyrocketed during the early pandemic years, when people hunkered down at home and spent freely on sending gifts and flowers to friends and family. But in re-

cent quarters, sales have sunk, both because of reduced demand and self-inflicted problems with some back-end product-ordering technology, McCann said.

The company's new CEO will be Adolfo Villagomez, a former Home Depot e-commerce executive and McKinsey consultant who since 2022 has been CEO of Progress Residential, the single-family rental arm of private-equity shop Pretium Partners. Villagomez will be adept at navigating new technologies such as artificial intelligence, and will bring more rigor and accountability to the company, McCann said.

“Those have not been my strong suits,” McCann said.

McCann worked in social services for group homes in New York City for more than a decade before buying a flower shop on the Upper East Side of Manhattan in 1976 in hopes Please turn to page A5





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Starmer seals first US trade deal since start of Trump war

- Concessions on car and steel exports
- Flat 10% tariff remains on most goods

JAMES POLITI AND AIME WILLIAMS — WASHINGTON
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The UK has clinched the world's first trade deal with the US since Donald Trump's "liberation day", winning cuts to punitive tariffs on car and steel exports but failing to reverse a flat 10 per cent levy on most goods.

The pact was unveiled by the US president in the Oval Office with Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer joining him by phone as the pair praised the strength of the relationship between the countries.

But the scope of the deal is limited, many details have yet to be ironed out and the end result still leaves Britain facing a tougher trading relationship with the US than before Trump began his global trade war.

The agreement, described by Trump as "full and comprehensive", will keep in place the 10 per cent US levies on most British exports imposed last month. But it crucially offers the UK a reprieve from an extra 25 per cent tariffs on cars and metals that were of particular strain to US-UK trade.

British exports of steel and aluminium will now be zero-rated for tariffs, while the first 100,000 British cars sold in the US annually — the vast majority of the total — will incur a 10 per cent tariff.

"This historic deal delivers for British business and British workers, protecting thousands of British jobs in key sectors including car manufacturing and steel," Starmer said from a Jaguar Land Rover factory in Solihull.

The UK will offer US farmers better market access through a lower-tariff quota system but without altering food standards. It will also remove its tariff

on US ethanol, used to produce beer. Tom Bradshaw, president of the National Farmers' Union, said: "Our biggest concern is that two agricultural sectors have been singled out to shoulder the heavy burden of the removal of tariffs for other industries."

Trump's and Starmer's teams also agreed to work on a digital trade pact to address US concerns over the UK's digital services tax targeting Big Tech, which stays in place for now.

"The US and UK have been working for years to try and make a deal, and it never quite got there. It did with this prime minister," Trump said at the White House, flanked by JD Vance, the vice-president, Howard Lutnick, US commerce secretary, and Lord Peter Mandelson, UK ambassador to the US.

Starmer said the accord was only the start of a process. "This is jobs saved, not job done," he said. "We will continue to build on this agreement."

He said he had also negotiated "preferential treatment" for the UK if Trump decides to raise tariffs on pharmaceuticals or other sectors, including film.

But Andrew Griffith, Conservative trade spokesman, said it was disappointing, calling it "a Diet Coke deal, not the real thing". Tory leader Kemi Badenoch added: "We've just been shafted."

Trump warned other nations not to expect as generous treatment as the UK had been given, saying the US would insist that overall levies on countries with large trade surpluses would remain higher. "Some will be much higher. The template of 10 is probably the lowest."

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Billionaires' feud Gates accuses rival Musk of 'killing world's poorest children' with aid cuts



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Bill Gates has accused Elon Musk of "killing the world's poorest children" through misguided cuts to US development aid, as the billionaire philanthropist ratcheted up his feud with the world's richest man.

As he committed to spending virtually his entire fortune over the next 20 years on philanthropic giving, Gates said in an interview with the Financial Times that the Tesla chief had acted through ignorance. Musk's so-called

Department of Government Efficiency in February all but shut down the US Agency for International Development aid, saying it was "time for it to die".

Gates said the abruptness of the cuts had left life-saving food and medicines expiring in warehouses and could cause the resurgence of diseases such as measles, HIV and polio.

"The picture of the world's richest man killing the world's poorest

children is not a pretty one," he added.

The co-founder of Microsoft, who intends to pass on less than 1 per cent of his wealth to his children, said the Gates Foundation would close in 2045, decades earlier than envisaged, with the deadline providing "clarity" on spending more than \$200bn on global health, development and education.

Musk and Doge did not respond to requests for comment.
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Cardinal Prevost elected as first American pope

Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost has been elected as the new pope to lead the world's 1.4bn Catholics. After white smoke had billowed over the Sistine Chapel in Rome, the conclave's choice was signalled to crowds in St Peter's Square. Prevost, the first American to be pope, will be known as Leo XIV and is seen as a compromise candidate who could find broad support in a divided church. The Chicago native, 69, served in Peru for decades.
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'Hawkish surprise' as BoE cuts rates by a quarter point in three-way split vote

SAM FLEMING, DELPHINE STRAUSS AND IAN SMITH

The Bank of England cut interest rates yesterday by a quarter point to 4.25 per cent but stressed it was not on a preset path to lower rates, prompting traders to trim their bets on the number of extra reductions this year.

The BoE's Monetary Policy Committee was split three ways over the decision, which came ahead of a US-UK trade deal that limited the tariff hit on British exports.

While yesterday's quarter-point cut had been expected, the MPC insisted it would retain "a gradual and careful approach" to any additional rate cuts.

"Interest rates are not on autopilot — they cannot be," said Andrew Bailey, the BoE governor.
Traders are now pricing in two fur-

ther rate cuts this year, with a roughly 20 per cent chance of a third — down from 80 per cent before the meeting.

"This is a more divided MPC," said Sanjay Raja, chief UK economist at Deutsche Bank. "The probability of sequential back-to-back rate cuts should drop on the back of this."

Although a majority of five MPC members supported the quarter-point cut, two favoured a bigger, half-point reduction and two wanted rates to stay at 4.5 per cent.

"Overall, it's a hawkish surprise," said Francesco Pesole, an FX strategist at ING, highlighting that BoE chief economist Huw Pill was among those voting for no change.

The BoE has been contending with the impact on prices and economic activity of the £40bn of tax increases chancellor Rachel Reeves announced in October's

Budget, as well as the uncertainty generated by Trump's tariff plans.

The central bank also faces the prospect of inflation rising in the coming months, partly driven by an increase in household bills.

In a new set of forecasts released yesterday, the BoE predicted that inflation would peak at 3.5 per cent in the third quarter before returning to the central bank's 2 per cent target in 2027.

The BoE said underlying UK GDP growth had slowed since mid-2024, forecasting the economy would expand by 1 per cent this year and by a weaker than expected 1.25 per cent in 2026.

Bailey voted with the group advocating a quarter-point reduction, while two external members, Swati Dhingra and Alan Taylor, sought a bigger half-point cut.
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S&P 500	5700.97	5631.28	1.24	\$/£	1.128	1.137	-0.80	US 2 yr	3.96	3.82	0.05
Nasdaq Composite	18025.27	17738.16	1.62	\$/€	1.331	1.337	-0.45	US 10 yr	4.33	4.29	0.04
Dow Jones Ind	41648.53	41113.97	1.30	€/£	0.847	0.850	-0.36	US 30 yr	4.81	4.78	0.03
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Euro Stoxx 50	5291.33	5230.19	1.17	¥/€	193.029	191.522	+0.78	UK 10 yr	4.63	4.53	0.10
FTSE 100	8531.61	8509.33	-0.32	\$/¥	0.933	0.933	0.00	UK 30 yr	5.33	5.25	0.08
FTSE All-Share	4631.22	4637.91	-0.14	\$/¥	1.101	1.097	+0.36	JPN 2 yr	0.62	0.61	0.01
CAC 40	7681.91	7626.84	0.72	Bitcoin (\$)	100839.00	99108.00	+0.75	JPN 10 yr	1.32	1.30	0.02
Xetra Dax	23338.96	23115.96	0.96	Ethereum	2042.30	1899.80	+7.50	JPN 30 yr	2.88	2.89	-0.01
Nikkei	36928.63	36779.66	0.41	COMMODITIES				GER 2 yr	1.77	1.72	0.05
Hang Seng	22775.92	22691.88	0.37					GER 10 yr	2.53	2.47	0.06
MSCI World \$	3697.54	3687.16	0.28					GER 30 yr	2.98	2.92	0.06
MSCI EM \$	1137.41	1137.42	0.00								
MSCI ACWI \$	844.03	841.91	0.25	Oil WTI \$	59.89	58.07	+3.13				
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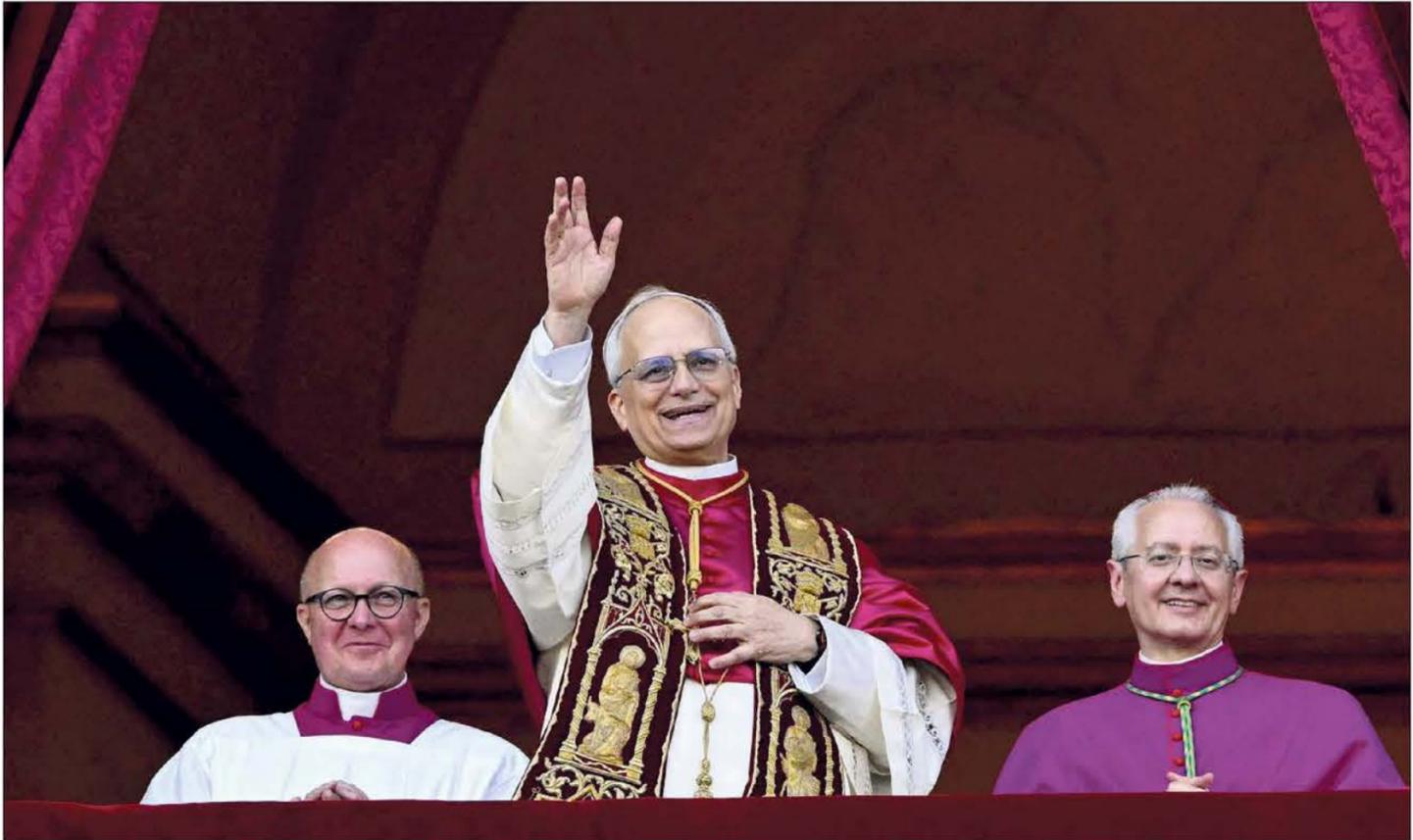
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First U.S. pope is chosen

ROBERT FRANCIS PREVOST, 69, OF CHICAGO BECOMES THE 267TH PONTIFF AND WILL BE KNOWN AS LEO XIV



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NEWLY ELECTED Pope Leo XIV addresses the crowd from the main balcony of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. He spoke in Italian and Spanish, but not English.

Like L.A., a pontiff with no borders

BY JACK DOLAN, MELISSA GOMEZ, SONJA SHARP AND DEBORAH NETBURN

The faithful in Los Angeles, America's most Catholic city, were delighted — and a little stunned — Thursday to learn a Chicago-born priest with deep roots in Peru had been elected to lead the world's 1.4 billion Catholics.

The elevation of Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost, 69, to pope marks the first time someone from the U.S. has been entrusted with what is arguably the highest-profile position in global religion.

It was an outcome that caught many fol- [See Reaction, A5]



EMILIO MORENATTI Associated Press

PEOPLE react in St. Peter's Square to Leo's appearance. He had been a leading candidate for the papacy, but there had long been a taboo against a U.S. pope.

Francis saw American as heir apparent

BY NICOLE WINFIELD AND VANESSA GERA

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In his first words as Pope Francis' successor, uttered from the loggia of St. Peter's [See Pope, A5]

Trump-U.K. deal leaves questions

Economists doubt trade pact's value. It's unclear whether it'll be a model for others.

BY MICHAEL WILNER

WASHINGTON — A trade deal with the United Kingdom announced by the White House on Thursday

marked the first of its kind since President Trump launched sweeping global tariffs last month, offering a glimpse into the Trump administration's negotiating strategy as it seeks to reset terms with trading partners around the world.

The agreement, hailed by Trump and U.K. Prime Minister Keir Starmer as "historic," kept the U.S. baseline tariff rate on U.K. imports at

10%, while eliminating duties on British aluminum and steel and significantly lowering tariffs on a limited number of U.K. car exports.

In exchange, the White House said that London had agreed to lower barriers on U.S. farmers and ranchers seeking access to the U.K. market for exports such as ethanol and beef, and to increase access for U.S. aero- [See Deal, A10]

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Edison transmission structure will undergo testing to determine if it played role in Eaton fire. CALIFORNIA, B1

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Most in state support requiring proof of citizenship to vote

Poll finds that 71% back having to show government ID when registering, including 59% of Democrats.

BY KEVIN RECTOR

While California voters are sharply divided along partisan lines when it comes to election integrity and voter fraud, they broadly support a politically charged proposal from President Trump and other Republicans to require first-time voters to provide government-issued identification proving their citizenship in order to register, according to a new poll.

A majority of voters in both parties back the proof of citizenship requirement for registering, according to the poll from the UC Berkeley Institute of Governmental Studies, co-sponsored by The Times. Most Californians also supported requiring a government ID every time a voter casts a ballot, though by a slimmer majority and despite most Democrats opposing the idea.

Mark DiCamillo, co-director of the Berkeley IGS Poll, said the bipartisan support for first-time voters showing proof of citizenship stood out, as many of the poll's other findings showed a stark political divide and a majority of Californians at odds with Trump and his recent edicts on voting — [See Poll, A12]

Unorthodox pick for surgeon general

BY JENNY JARVIE

President Trump's choice of Dr. Casey Means, a Los Angeles holistic medicine doctor and wellness influencer, as his nominee for surgeon general appears to mark another attempt to defy establishment medi-

cine and long-standing federal policy.

Trump portrayed Means — a 37-year-old Stanford medical school graduate and author who describes herself on LinkedIn as a "former surgeon turned metabolic health evangelist" — in his announcement as fully in sync with Robert F. Kennedy

Jr.'s mission to "Make America Healthy Again."

"Casey has impeccable 'MAHA' credentials, and will work closely with our wonderful Secretary of Health and Human Services, Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., to ensure a successful implementation of our Agenda in order [See Means, A12]



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León XIV saludaba ayer en su primera aparición como papa en el balcón central de la basílica de San Pedro. MASSIMILIANO MINOCRI

EL CÓNCLAVE ELIGE PAPA A ROBERT FRANCIS PREVOST

León XIV, en la estela de Francisco

● El primer pontífice estadounidense es agustino y misionero, y reivindica las reformas de su predecesor

● Sus primeras palabras llaman a “construir puentes” y apuestan por una Iglesia más participativa

● Fue obispo en Perú casi una década y ofrece un perfil de consenso entre el Norte y el Sur

ÍÑIGO DOMÍNGUEZ
Roma

Salió la fumata blanca al filo de las seis de la tarde: “*Habemus papam*”. La elección de León XIV, el estadounidense Robert Francis Prevost, de 69 años, supone el triunfo de la continuidad del legado de Francisco. El primer papa de EE UU, aunque muy vinculado a Perú, era el gran candidato en la sombra del sector reformista, pero con apoyos en distintas direcciones, menos temido por los conservadores gracias a su talante discreto y centrista.

Agustino, misionero, conocedor de la curia, con padres de raíces italianas y españolas, ha pasado dos décadas en Perú, donde fue obispo de Chiclayo, por lo

Han elegido a un sanador Ignacio Peyró

Los enemigos de Francisco, empequeñecidos Daniel Verdú

Misionero, bergogliano, agustino, hispanohablante, curial Juan G. Bedoya

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que conjuga un perfil de Norte y Sur, una opción segura a la hora de elegir a un occidental. Ha sido fiel colaborador y seguidor

de las reformas y procesos de apertura de Francisco, quien lo nombró primero obispo de Chiclayo, una diócesis pobre, y lue-

go prefecto del potente Dicasterio para los Obispos. Durante el sínodo, mostró habilidad para la mediación. En la Iglesia estadounidense, muy polarizada en la era Trump, es alguien capaz de conciliar a los dos bandos.

En sus primeras palabras, León XIV desplegó un estilo muy distinto de su predecesor, sin improvisar, menos coloquial. Visiblemente emocionado, su mensaje en la plaza de San Pedro fue de continuidad y conciliación: “Ayudadnos a construir puentes”, dijo. Mencionó a Francisco, a quien calificó de “valiente”, y apostó por “una Iglesia sinodal”, es decir, más participativa, que “busca siempre la paz” y cercana a “los que sufren tanto”. —P2 A 9

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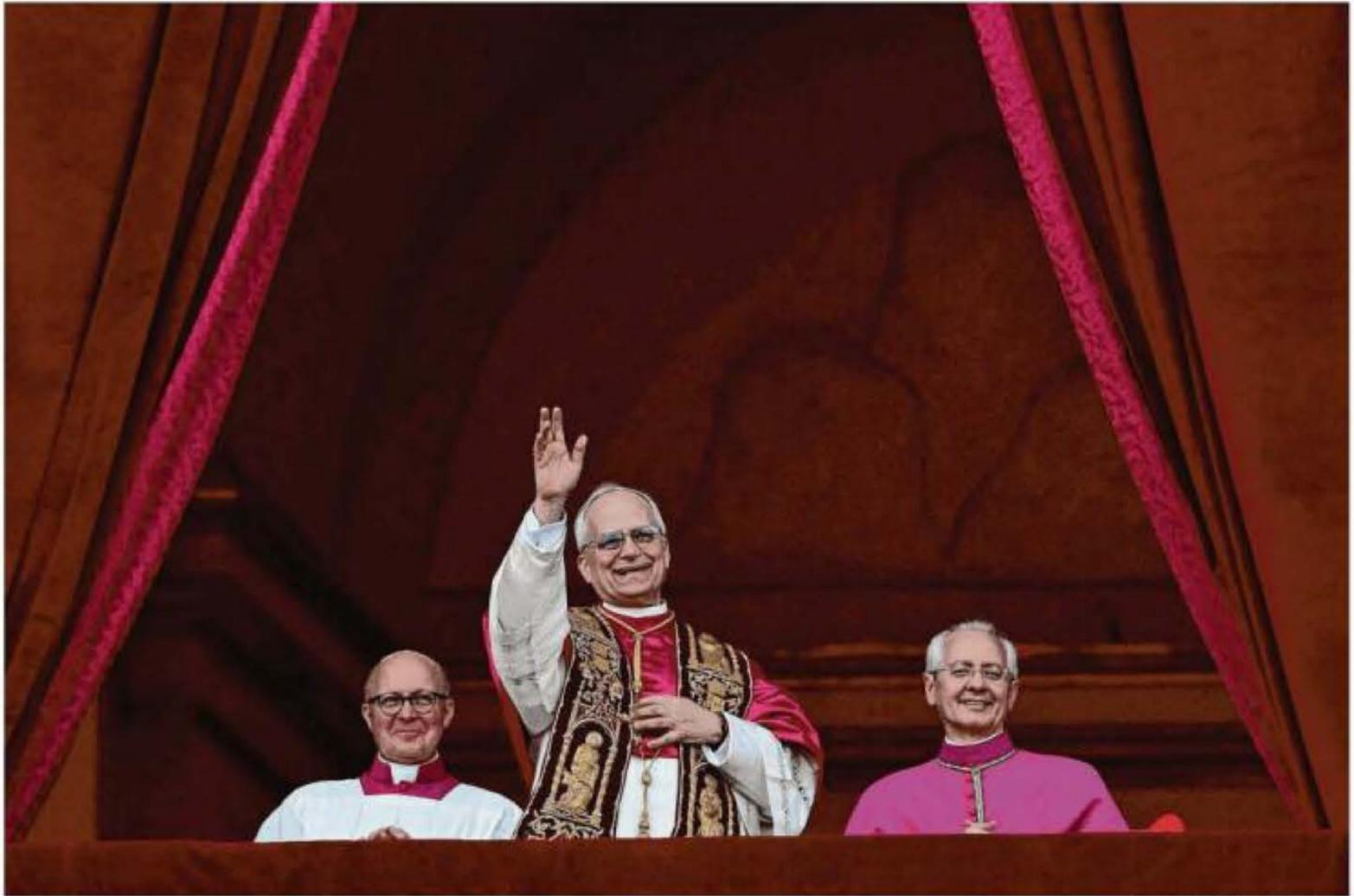
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POPE LEO XIV

'PEACE BE WITH YOU'



Newly elected Pope Leo XIV, Chicago native Robert Prevost, addresses the crowd Thursday from St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican.

Tiziana Fabi/AFP via Getty Images

Prevost, 69, becomes first pope from U.S. in Catholic history

By Nicole Winfield and Vanessa Gera
ASSOCIATED PRESS

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In his first words as Pope Francis' successor, uttered from the loggia of St. Peter's Basilica, Leo said, "Peace be with you," and emphasized a message of "a disarmed and disarming peace" dialogue and missionary evangelization. He wore the traditional red cape and trappings of the papacy — a cape that Francis had eschewed on his

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Cole Wendling, center, of Texas celebrates in Vatican City after the election of Pope Leo XIV was announced Thursday.

Taboo against selecting a pontiff from America is finally overcome

By Franklin Briceño and Nicole Winfield
ASSOCIATED PRESS

VATICAN CITY — Pope Francis brought Robert Prevost to the Vatican in 2023 as the powerful head of the office that vets bishop nominations, one of the most important jobs in the Catholic Church. On Thursday, he ascended to become Pope Leo XIV — the first pontiff from the United States.

Prevost, 69, had to overcome the taboo against an American pope, given the geopolitical power already wielded by the U.S. in the secular sphere.

The Chicago native is also a Peruvian citizen and lived for years in Peru, first as a missionary and then as a bishop.

He evoked his broad experience in his first public remarks as pope, speaking in Italian, then switching to Spanish — and saying not a word in English as he ad-

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Abbott calls out Dems in push for bail crackdown

By Benjamin Wermund
AUSTIN BUREAU

With his signature voucher legislation signed into law, Gov. Greg Abbott is going all in on a massive bail crackdown as the legislative session enters the final stretch.

The Texas Republican wants lawmakers to prohibit pretrial release to defendants accused of severe

violent offenses, which would require a constitutional amendment — and the support of House Democrats, many of whom have opposed the effort in the past.

Abbott has framed the reforms as both a bipartisan issue and a response to rogue Democratic judges in cities like Houston.

"They will be put to the test," Abbott said of House Democrats during

a news conference Wednesday in Austin. "Are they going to say, 'A judge can do whatever they want to do and release these deadly, dangerous criminals back out on the streets?' That should be a very easy decision for them."

With negotiations underway in the House, Abbott has started a pressure campaign on Democratic

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Traffic plan limits parking on beach for Jeep Weekend

By Caroline Wilburn
STAFF WRITER

People who attend Jeep Weekend on Bolivar Peninsula will not be permitted to park or stop on the beach as part of a plan created by Galveston County and approved by the Texas General Land Office, officials with the GLO said.

A traffic control plan was approved Wednes-

day by the office and will be reviewed by the Galveston County Commissioners Court next week, a GLO spokesperson said in a statement to the Houston Chronicle.

The county did not request a full closure of beaches but instead will set up a 6.25-mile portion of the beach from May 16 to 18, where all traffic for Jeep Weekend will be directed, the spokesperson

said. "Pedestrians will have unrestricted access to the entirety of the beach, including within the event area, and regular vehicular traffic will be able to access the beach outside of the event area with a valid beach parking sticker," the spokesperson said.

All beach traffic within the event area will be directed.

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'Evil will not prevail': first US pope vows to build bridges

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Robert Prevost will be known as Leo XIV

● Pontiff has criticised Trump administration over refugee policies

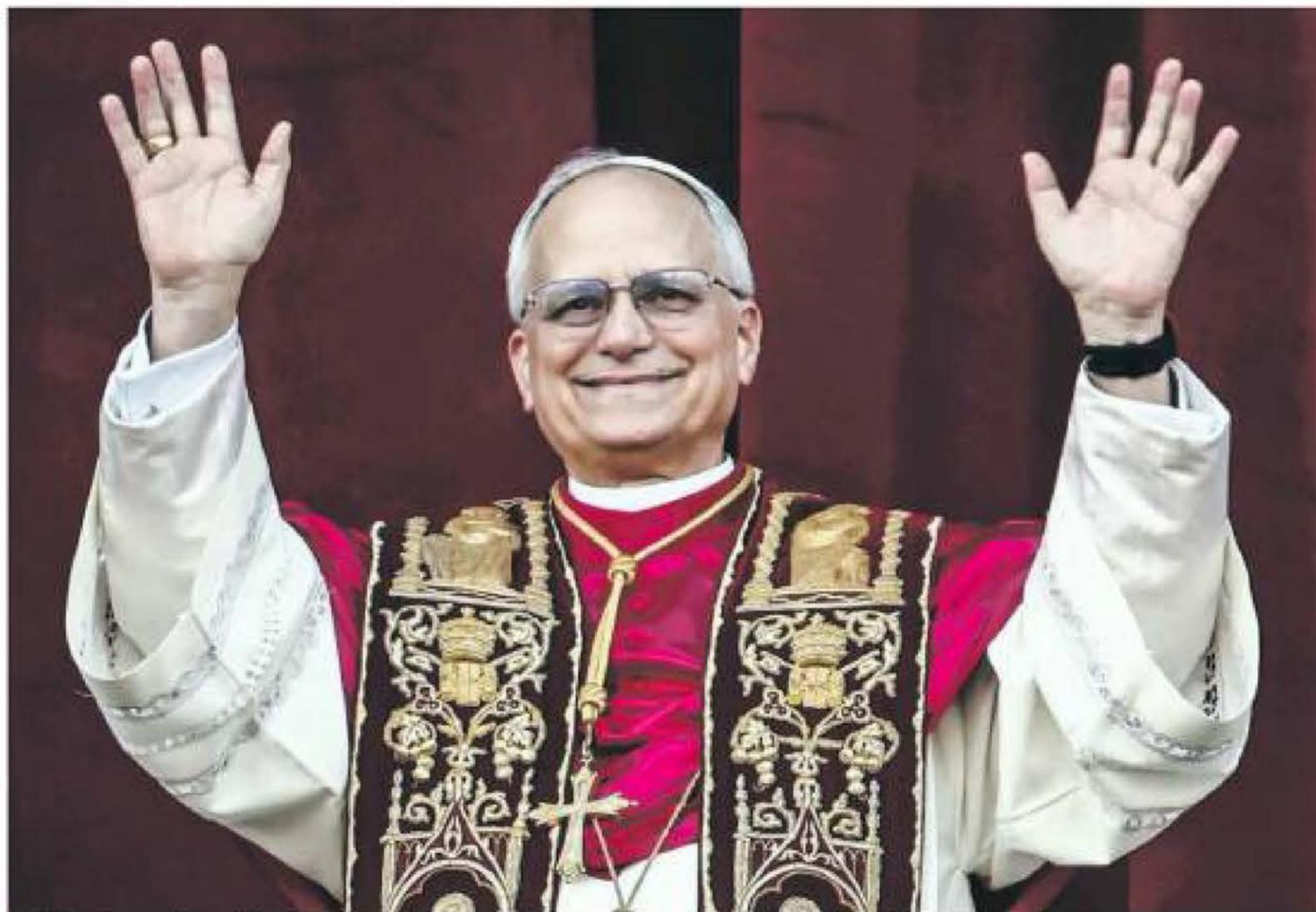
Angela Giuffrida and
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Sam Jones

Robert Prevost, the first North American to lead the Roman Catholic church, has said "evil will not prevail" as he addressed a crowd of 100,000 pilgrims and tourists in his first speech as Pope Leo XIV from the central balcony of St Peter's Basilica.

The stunning election yesterday of Prevost, 69, as the church's 267th pontiff ended the Vatican's long-standing opposition to the idea of a pontiff from the US.

Observers said the Chicago-born cleric's papal name historically symbolised strength during crisis and could be taken as a sign that he would probably follow in the footsteps of Pope Francis, who died last month aged 88.

Donald Trump, who on Saturday angered Catholics by posting an AI-generated picture of himself as pope on social media, was among the first world leaders to congratulate Prevost even though the pair looked set to clash in a similar way the US president did with Francis. 2 →



▲ Robert Prevost, the newly elected Pope Leo XIV, appears on the central balcony of St Peter's Basilica at the Vatican yesterday PHOTOGRAPHY: YARA NABILI/REUTERS

UK strikes trade deal to reduce Trump tariffs

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Helena Horton
Lisa O'Carroll

Britain and the US have agreed a "breakthrough" trade deal that will slash some of Donald Trump's tariffs on cars, aluminium and steel and which the prime minister said would save thousands of British jobs.

Keir Starmer said it was a "fantastic, historic day" as he announced

the agreement with the US, the first by the White House since Trump announced sweeping global tariffs last month.

Speaking to workers at the Jaguar Land Rover plant in Solihull, Starmer said the agreement had saved jobs in the car and steel industries that had been under threat.

Paul Nowak, the general secretary of the TUC, said the deal "takes us back from the brink, and many workers will breathe easier as a result".

However, critics said the deal failed to address many of the high tariffs that remained in place between the two countries.

John Denton, secretary-general of the International Chamber of Commerce, said: "The reality is that US tariffs on UK exports remain significantly higher than they were at the start of the year." He added that it was still unclear what would happen with industries not explicitly covered by the deal, such as pharmaceuticals.

The US agreed to cut the 25% tariff rate on British steel and aluminium exports to zero. The concession will be seen as a lifeline to the steel industry, for which the US is an important export market and which, the government said, 4 →

Labour MPs threaten to rebel over benefit cuts

Jessica Elgot and Peter Walker

More than 40 Labour MPs have warned the prime minister that planned disability cuts are "impossible to support" and have called for a pause and change in direction.

The letter from parliamentarians spanning the new intake and veterans - from the left and right of the party - sets Keir Starmer up for the

biggest rebellion of his tenure when the House of Commons votes on the measures next month.

Concern is widespread among Labour MPs about the proposed changes, including the tightening of eligibility for personal independence payments (Pips), saving £5bn annually. They would also involve cuts or freezes to incapacity benefits for universal credit applicants judged unfit to work.

According to internal 8 →