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# Indulgences in Perpetuity

The Apostolic Penitentiary of the Holy See has communicated that the indulgences, which members of the Work and their relatives can gain on these dates, are granted in perpetuity. Until now, they were renewed every seven years.

12/27/2023

*Here is a translation of the decree, the original of which is in Latin:*

Holy Father,

Fernando Ocariz Braña, Prelate of the Personal Prelature of the Holy Cross and Opus Dei, with a grateful heart to God, respectfully explains that the indulgences granted for seven years, by mandate of Your Holiness, through the Apostolic Penitentiary with rescript N. 1105/15/1 on December 17, 2015, have been and continue to be spiritually beneficial:

I. for those who participate in the liturgical celebrations that the Prelature of the Holy Cross and Opus Dei and the Priestly Society of the Holy Cross usually promote, in the triduum before the solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord and Easter, for the spiritual progress of the families of its faithful and its associates;

II. for the parents, brothers, and sisters of the faithful of the Prelature and the associates of the Priestly Society, as well as for the spouses,

sons, and daughters of the supernumerary faithful who participate in a sacred function on the feast day of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

So that the spiritual benefits derived from them may continue in the future, the Reverend petitioner requests Your Holiness to extend the already granted grace.

For God, etc.

On December 16, 2022, the Apostolic Penitentiary, by virtue of the powers attributed to it by mandate of the Holy Father Francis, receiving with pleasure the presented supplications, extends in perpetuity the implored gift. Notwithstanding any contrary disposition.

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*Original in Latin:*

Prot. N. 1118/22/I

Beatissime Pater

Ferdinandus Ocáriz Braña,  
Praelaturae personalis Sanctae  
Crucis et Operis Dei Praelatus, grato  
erga Deum animo motus, reverenter  
exponit indulgentias, de mandato  
Sanctitatis Tuae a Paenitentia  
Apostolica per Rescriptum N.  
1105/15/1, die 17 decembris 2015 ad  
septennium concessas, valde  
spiritualiter profuisse et prodesse:

I. participantibus celebrationes  
liturgicas quas, triduo ante  
sollemnitatem Nativitatis Domini et  
Paschatis, Praelatura Sanctae Crucis  
et Operis Dei necnon Societas  
Sacerdotalis Sanctae Crucis, in  
spiritalem familiarum suorum  
fidelium atque sodalium profectum,  
promovere solent;

II. parentibus, fratribus et sororibus  
fidelium praelature et sodalium

Societatis Sacerdotalis necnon  
coniugibus, filiis et filiabus fidelium  
supernumerariorum qui, die festo  
Sanctae familiae Iesu, Mariae,  
Ioseph, sacrae functioni adfuerint.

Quo autem spiritalia bona inde  
manantia in posterum etiam  
redundent, Rev.dus Orator petit a  
Sanctitate Tua ut iam concessa gratia  
prorogetur.

Ex Deus, etc.

Die 16 Decembris 2022

Paenitentiaria Apostolica, vi  
facultatum sibi de Sanctissimi Patris  
Francisci mandato tributarum,  
oblata libenter preces excipiens  
imploratum donum in perpetuum  
prorogat.

Contrariis quibuscumque minime  
obstantibus

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