



Archdiocese of Vancouver
ARCHBISHOP'S OFFICE

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His Holiness Pope Francis
Apostolic Palace
00120 Vatican City

Dear Holy Father:

The clergy, consecrated women and men and lay faithful of the Archdiocese of Vancouver join with the millions throughout the world in offering prayers for your ministry on the occasion of the first anniversary of your election as the Successor of Peter and Bishop of Rome. Your indefatigable service to the Universal Church, your zeal for preaching the Good News to the poor, and your unceasing example of Christian kindness have spurred all of us on to a renewed desire to live the Gospel with joy.

We thank you for all you have been doing to open our hearts and minds to the needs of the world – its spiritual and material poverty. With God's grace, we are working hard to implement the vision you have set forth and are relying on your prayers, so that we will bear the fruit the Lord desires.

The people of God in the Archdiocese of Vancouver beg the intercession of St. Francis: that your pontificate will continue to draw us closer to the Lord and that, guided by you, we may discern honestly and faithfully what He wants for his Church at this time.

With the assurance of our prayers, Holy Father, I ask for your Apostolic Blessing upon the faithful of the Archdiocese of Vancouver,



Obediently yours in Christ

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