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NEWS RELEASE

Pope Frances to Grant Plenary Indulgence Before Imparting The Extraordinary Urbi et Orbi Blessing

Friday, March 27, 2020 Saint Peter's Square 11:00 a.m. MDT

Archbishop John C. Wester asks all faithful to join the Holy Father for this extraordinary event

ALBUQUERQUE – Wednesday, March 25, 2020–IMMEDIATE RELEASE— The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Office of the General Secretary has received communication from Most Reverend Christoph Pierre, Apostolic Nuncio, that the Secretariat of State of the Holy See has requested all local Churches be informed that all members of the faithful and other Christians are invited to participate in the special prayer of the Holy Father taking place in Saint Peter's Square this **Friday, March 27, 2020**.

The Apostolic Nunciature further conveys that during this *Statio orbis*, which will be broadcast by Mondovision and streamed on the website of Vatican News (www.vaticannews.va) at **6:00 p.m. in Rome, 11:00 a.m. MDT,** the Holy Father will grant to all participants the Plenary Indulgence before imparting the *Urbi et Orbi* Blessing.

Information will be available on the archdiocese's social media channels: Facebook (Archdiocese of Santa Fe Official), Twitter (@asfofficial) and Instagram (@asfofficial).--END