

900th Jubilee Year Indulgence

(Unofficial translation by the Norbertine Canonesses of Tehachapi)

MOST BLESSED FATHER,

Jos Wouters, Abbot General of the Order of Prémontré, displaying his own sentiments of devotion and those of the whole Premonstratensian family toward Your Holiness, reverently explains: St. Norbert, who was austere in his way of life, totally united to God, and dedicated to preaching the Gospel, in a deserted place called Prémontré, near Laon in France, on the very night of the Nativity of the Lord in the year 1121, instituted the Order of Canons Regular of Prémontré with thirteen companions, which has been wondrously propagated under the rule of St. Augustine. To worthily celebrate this 900th anniversary day, in all churches committed to the pastoral care of the Canons Regular of Prémontré, there will be held solemn rites and religious services from the 29th day of November 2020 until the ninth day of January 2022. Moreover, in order that that the divine largess may be more widely opened to the members of the Premonstratensian Family and to other pious faithful, and that from thence abundant spiritual fruits may be drawn, the Most Reverend Petitioner of Indulgences submissively requests a gift after the model of a Jubilee. And God, etc.

On the 30th day of October 2020

THE APOSTOLIC PENITENTIARY, by the mandate of our Most Holy Lord Pope Francis, gladly grants a *plenary indulgence*, under the usual conditions (sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the intention of the Supreme Pontiff) to the Canons Regular of Prémontré, and to others of the faithful truly penitent and compelled by charity, to be acquired *after the model of a Jubilee*, if they visit in pilgrimage churches and oratories in which the jubilee is celebrated and there devoutly take part in the sacred functions duly determined, or at least for a suitable period of time pour out humble prayers to God for the conversion of sinners, for an increase in priestly and religious vocations, and for the defense of the institution of the human family, concluding with the Our Father, the Apostles' Creed, and invocations of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Norbert.

The members of the Order of Prémontré who, on account of infirmity or other grave causes, are impeded from being able to take part in the celebrations, will be able to obtain the *plenary indulgence* if, having conceived a detestation of all sin, and forming the intention of fulfilling the three usual conditions at the first opportunity, they make a spiritual visitation in the desire of their heart, and offer the sicknesses or disabilities of their own life to the Merciful God through Mary, adding the prayers as above. In order, therefore, that access to the obtaining of divine pardon through the keys of the Church may be more easily gained for the sake of pastoral charity, this Penitentiary earnestly asks that the Canons Regular of Prémontré, in a generous spirit offer themselves for the sacrament of Penance and often administer Holy Communion to the sick.

[This decree is] valid immediately throughout the whole jubilee period, any provision to the contrary notwithstanding.

MAURUS Cardinal PIACENZA
Major Penitentiary

CHRISTOPHORUS NYKIEL
Regent