

**APOSTOLICAL LETTER**  
**OF**  
**OUR HOLY FATHER**  
**POPE PIUS IX.**  
**PROCLAIMING**  
**A UNIVERSAL JUBILEE**  
**TO**  
**IMPLORE THE DIVINE ASSISTANCE.**

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**PIUS THE IXTH.**

**To all the Faithful who shall receive these presents,  
HEALTH AND THE APOSTOLIC BLESSING.**

**ELEVATED** by the secret designs of Divine Providence, notwithstanding our unworthiness, to the Apostolic Throne, we know too well the difficulties of the present time not to feel how deeply we need the assistance from on High to preserve the Lord's Flock from the snares hidden on every side, to raise up and set in order according to the duty of our charge the affairs of the Catholic Church. We have, therefore, never ceased up to the present moment to pray