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DEAR REVEREND FATHER:

I have the pleasure to communicate to you a copy of the Apostolic Letter of the Sovereign Pontiff, Pius X, announcing to the world a Jubilee in commemoration of the sixteenth century of the freedom granted to the Church by Constantine the Great, in the year 313. In these Letters Apostolic, dated March 8th, 1913, the Holy Father alludes to the motives which prompted him to invite a universal union of prayer and to open up to all the faithful the treasure-house of the Church's graces through a universal Jubilee, which may be gained by all the children of the Church on the following conditions, viz.:

1st. A worthy reception of the Sacrament of Penance and Holy Eucharist.

2nd. An Alms proportionate to each one's means, to be given to the poor or for works of piety. To facilitate the fulfillment of this condition of the Jubilee we direct that a box be placed in each Church or Chapel with the inscription: *Jubilee Alms*. The offerings made in these boxes shall be sent to the Diocesan treasurer at the Bishop's residence, and will be employed by Us for the needs of the Diocese.

3rd. Six distinct visits are to be made to one's parish or any Church or Chapel in the Diocese where Sunday is least occasionally said. At each visit prayers are to be said for the intention of the Pope; for the prosperity and exaltation of the Church; for the extirpation of heresies; for concord among Christian Princes; for the peace and salvation of all the faithful. The recitation of five *Paters and Aves* or any equivalent prayers will suffice for each visit. Persons living in convents, colleges and hospitals may make their visits to the chapel of the institution in which they live.

4th. Confessors have power to commute for their penitents in the tribunal of Penance, any conditions the fulfillment of which would be too difficult for them, into others more easily performed.

5th. Children who have not yet made their first Communion may be dispensed therefrom by their confessor.