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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On May 9, 2024, Pope Francis issued "SPES NON CONFUNDIT" (Hope does not disappoint), Bull of Induction of the Ordinary Jubilee of the Year 2025. The Holy Father invited "everyone to an intense experience of the love of God" and "calls on all Christians to become Pilgrims of Hope."

The Jubilee 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope will begin on December 24, 2024, with the opening of the Holy Door at the Basilica of St. Peter in Rome and continue until the closing of the Jubilee Year on January 6, 2026.

I invite all the faithful to join Bishop Mark Rivituso to celebrate the solemn opening of the Jubilee on Sunday, December 29, 2024, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, 4431 Lindell Boulevard. The Jubilee will conclude locally on December 28, 2025.

As part of the Jubilee, the faithful of the Archdiocese of St. Louis will be able to obtain the grace of the Jubilee Indulgence by making a pious pilgrimage to any sacred Jubilee site under the usual conditions. I have designated nine Jubilee pilgrimage sites across the archdiocese:

Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis

Basilica of Saint Louis, King of France

Holy Spirit Adoration Sisters at the Mount Grace Covent and Chapel

Carmel of Saint Joseph at the Chapel of the Most Precious Blood

Saint Mary's of the Barrens National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Monastery of Saint Clare of the Immaculate Conception

Passionist Nuns of St. Louis

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in New Melle

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Union

If you wish to learn more about the Jubilee Indulgence and for a complete list of the pilgrimage sites, please visit: archstl.org/2025jubileeyear.

Please visit the following links for much more information about the Jubilee Year:

The Vatican Jubilee 2025 website; https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html

The USCCB Jubilee 2025 website: https://www.usccb.org/committees/jubilee-2025

I am confident that this Holy Year will be a time for rediscovery and unity, opening hearts to receive the fullness of God's love and mercy through a personal encounter with the Lord, Jesus Christ.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski Archbishop of St. Louis