

Office of the Bishop DECREE

In the name of God
The Most Reverend Daniel J. Miehm
Bishop of Peterborough

PLENARY INDULGENCE

Whereas the Roman Pontiff, Pope Francis, has decreed 2025 to be a **Jubilee Year** for all the faithful, an extraordinary year as *Pilgrims of Hope*, beginning on December 24th, 2024, and concluding on January 6th 2026, and has proposed in the bull of indiction, *SPES NON CONFUNDIT* (HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT, May 9th 2024) the Jubilee indulgence as a means of encountering God's mercy.

Whereas the Apostolic Penitentiary, in a decree dated May 13th, 2024, set out the norms for obtaining the plenary indulgence for the Jubilee Year, including the instruction that Bishops should designate churches and sacred places where the indulgence may be attained.

I hereby decree that in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough four churches throughout the diocese may be visited by the faithful to fulfill requirements for the indulgence – St. Michael the Archangel, 379 Division Street, Cobourg; Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary (St. Mary's), 40 Russell St. East, Lindsay; St. Patrick's, 89 Rain Lake Rd., Kearney and, principal among them, the Cathedral of St. Peter-In-Chains, 411 Reid Street, Peterborough.

Further, I remind the Faithful that the granting of a plenary indulgence ordinarily depends on the following obligations being observed, as noted in the decree of the Apostolic Penitentiary of May 13th 2024:

- attend Mass and receive Holy Communion at one of the churches noted above during the Jubilee Year
- make a sacramental confession (within several days of the above-mentioned visit), and
- pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff

Given at Peterborough, Ontario, this 12th day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two thousand and twenty-four.

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