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24 Hours with the Lord

Dear Rev. Fathers and Brothers

Prayer Greetings of the Year of Mercy!

Pope Francis states in Misericordiae Vultus – the Official Bull of Indiction of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, that he would like Friday, March 4 through Saturday, March 5, 2016 to be set aside as "24 Hours for the Lord".

The Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization has said the theme this year that will guide the reflection is God rich in mercy (*Eph* 2:4).

Churches around the world have been asked where possible to dedicate a full 24 hours to the Sacrament of Reconciliation, ensuring the initiative coincides with Eucharistic adoration.

Pope Francis said, "You turn red once, you're absolved of your sins, and you move on. Even I go to Confession every 15 days, because the Pope is also a sinner."

In Rome, Pope Francis will preside at a penitential celebration, "a celebration of forgiveness", in St Peter's Basilica in order to place the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the centre of the Church's mission of the New Evangelization.

Let us be part of 24 Hours for the Lord occurring throughout the world

Every CMI house shall organize a day dedicated for mercy and reconciliation in front of the Blessed Sacrament based on the directives of the diocese.

Let us live the spirit of Mercy and Forgiveness

Fr Paul Achandy CMI

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