DECREE

The Apostolic Penitentiary, by virtue of the special faculties given by His Holiness, Pope Francis, gladly grants to His Excellency, the Most Reverend John Douglas Deshotel, Bishop of Lafayette, that, during the Diocesan Jubilee, on a day of his choosing and advantageous to the people, after the offering of the holy Sacrifice, he may impart the Papal Blessing, with its attached plenary Indulgence, to be gained on the usual conditions (sacramental Confession, reception of Holy Communion, and prayer according to the intentions of the Holy Father), to all the faithful present who, truly penitent and motivated by charity, took part in the sacred rites.

The faithful who devoutly receive the Papal Blessing, even if, for reasonable causes, were not physically present during the sacred rites, provided that they followed the rites with pious intention of mind while they were being carried out, broadcast by television or by radio, are able to obtain the plenary Indulgence, according to the norm of law.

Anything to the contrary notwithstanding.

Given at Rome, at the Apostolic Penitentiary, on the first day of December, in the year of our Lord 2017.

Mauro Card. Piacenza
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Krzysztof Nykiel
Regent