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To the Clergy, Religious, and Laity of the Archdiocese of New Orleans:

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

I have received word that all faithful are invited to participate in a special prayer of our Holy Father Pope Francis on Friday, March 27 at 12 noon local time. During the Statio orbis, which will be streamed from the Vatican website at www.vaticannews.va, Pope Francis will grant to all participants the Plenary Indulgence before imparting the Urbi et Orbi Blessing.

This will be a historic moment for our church and coincides with our local Day of Prayer and Fasting to bring an end to the Coronavirus pandemic and healing to all who are sick. I encourage you to participate in this special prayer. This information will be available on our website at nolacatholic.org and shared through our social media channels.

Wishing you God's blessings, through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor and Blessed Seelos,

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Gregory Aymond
Archbishop of New Orleans