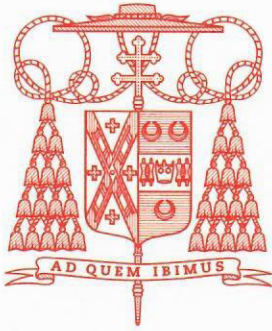


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Dear friends in the Lord:

Peter's Pence, which supports the good works of the Holy Father, is an opportunity for the Church around the world to stand in solidarity with victims of war, natural disaster and oppression in their time of need. In September and October 2018, for instance, violent earthquakes and a tsunami in Indonesia killed 1,500 and injured thousands more. On the island of Sulawesi, the Mount Soputan volcano erupted hours after the earthquake, further endangering people already affected by the first tragedy.

Your generosity to Peter's Pence facilitated much-needed support for victims of the Indonesian catastrophes. Pope Francis responded with an immediate contribution of \$100,000 to be distributed to those in areas most affected. Your contributions will help His Holiness fulfill his prayer that the Church will reach out with acts of mercy.

As I write to you today, I am asking that you prayerfully consider a generous donation to this special offering as an act of mercy and charity. Join with our brothers and sisters in faith from around the globe to help Pope Francis reach the most marginalized in our world. For more information about the collection, please visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).

With prayerful best wishes for your characteristic generosity, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Tim. Card. Dolan".

†Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan  
Archbishop of New York