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Decree

Granting of Indulgences in Celebration of the Feast of St. Thérèse of the Child of Jesus, Principal Patroness of the Diocese of Fresno

Given that The Diocese of Fresno will celebrate the Feast of St. Thérèse of the Child of Jesus on October 1, 2025, within the grace of the Jubilee year, and for the spiritual benefit and growth of all the faithful of the Diocese of Fresno, I, the undersigned Bishop of the Diocese of Fresno, in accordance with Article 15 of the Norms established in the Apostolic Constitution, *Indulgentiarum Doctrina*, hereby, decree the following conditions for obtaining a plenary indulgence during the Feast of St. Thérèse of the Child of Jesus:

1. Pious visitation and Participation in the Holy Mass

To obtain the plenary indulgence, the faithful must visit and attend Holy Mass at one of the following locations between September 27, 2025, and October 20, 2025:

- The Shrine of St. Thérèse in Fresno, California
- St. Charles Borromeo in Visalia, California

2. Veneration of the Holy Relic of St. Thérèse of the Child of Jesus

The faithful must also participate in the veneration of the Holy Relic of St. Thérèse of the Child of Jesus at one of the above-mentioned locations, within the same time frame from September 27, 2025, through October 20, 2025.

Additionally, in order to receive the plenary indulgence, the following three conditions must be fulfilled:

- **Sacramental Confession**
- **Eucharistic Communion**
- **Prayer for the Intentions of the Holy Father**

It is further required that the individual be free from any attachment to sin, even venial sin. If this disposition is not fully realized, or if the three prescribed conditions are not met, the indulgence will be partial rather than plenary.

Finally, while the three conditions may be fulfilled several days before or after performing the prescribed works, it is fitting that the Sacrament of Communion and the prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father be offered on the same day that the indulgenced work is performed.

Given at the Chancery
Fresno, California, this 25th day of September 2025.

Most Reverend Joseph V. Brennan, D.D.
Bishop, Diocese of Fresno

Deacon Mark Schultz
Chancellor