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Dear Father,

Ignatius Press, a lay-run publishing apostolate that operates in the Archdiocese of San Francisco and assists the local and universal Church through its publications and in other ways, is marking a significant milestone this year. I'm sure you are familiar with this world-renown Catholic publishing house in the heart of our Archdiocese. I would therefore like to invite and encourage you, your pastoral coworkers, and your parishioners to attend Ignatius Press' upcoming celebration of forty years of publishing books of Catholic interest.

To mark its four decades of apostolic service, Ignatius Press is hosting a special dinner and a conference, bringing together readers and authors to thank the Lord. The 40th Anniversary Celebration begins Friday, November 2, with a dinner, at which Cardinal Francis Arinze and Ignatius Press founder and editor, Jesuit Father Joseph Fessio, will speak. I will make some opening remarks. The following day, Saturday, November 3, there will be a conference running through the late afternoon, beginning with Mass at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption at 8am, featuring Cardinal Arinze as homilist with me as the principal celebrant.

The conference will take place in the event center beneath the Cathedral. The speakers and topics are:

Father Robert Spitzer, S.J., "Suffering and the Love of God"

Novelist and painter Michael O'Brien, "Telling the True Story of Man"

Philosopher Peter Kreeft, "How to Be Holy by Doing Things I Don't"

Popular Bible Teacher Steve Ray, "St. John, Master Theologian and Storyteller"

Ignatius Press Founder Father Joseph Fessio, S.J., "The Aim of Life is Appreciation"

For more information, or to register for the dinner and the conference, please go to ignatius.com/40. Also, enclosed you will find a bulletin announcement for the event, which I ask you to use to inform your people of this significant celebration in our Archdiocese.

Please join me in attending this event and in encouraging your coworkers in the Lord's vineyard and your parishioners to attend as well.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

The Most Reverent Salvatore J. Cordileone
Archbishop of San Francisco