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The gift of a Plenary Indulgence conceded to the faithful on Sunday, January 25, 2009, the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

During the Jubilee Year marking the occasion of the 2000th anniversary of the birth of St Paul the Apostle, the Holy Father, Benedict XVI, motivated by pastoral solicitude, has offered to the universal Church an opportunity for the faithful to benefit from the gift of a *Plenary Indulgence* if they take part devoutly in a sacred function in honour of St Paul, on a day specified by the local Ordinary.

In the Archdiocese of Edmonton,

A *Plenary Indulgence* will be granted to each and every member of the faithful under the usual conditions (sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion and prayers for the Supreme Pontiff's intentions, in a spirit of total detachment from any inclination to sin), on the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time, by their devout participation at a Mass celebrated in honour of the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul.

In each parish community, on Sunday, January 25, 2009, the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time, at least one Mass is to be celebrated according to the formula for the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul with its proper texts from the *Roman Missal* (using the Preface Apostles I or II) and the *Lectionary for Weekdays, Vol. A*, (no. 519). In addition, the recitation of the Creed is included, and because there are only two readings provided in the *Lectionary for Mass*, the second Reading of the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be used.

Members of the faithful prevented by illness or by other just causes from attending Mass on that day may obtain the *Plenary Indulgence* in their own home, or wherever the impediment obliges them to be, as long as they are totally free from any desire to relapse into sin, and intend to observe the three habitual conditions as soon as they possibly can.

Given on the 23rd of November in the Year of Our Lord 2008 in the Curia of the Archdiocese of Edmonton.


Archbishop


Chancellor

