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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

On this third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday, we are invited to rejoice at the coming of God into our midst, with the birth of a little child long ago. God's coming in the flesh leaves us with a profound gratitude for God's great mercy.

It is also with a heart full of gratitude that I want to express thanks to all who have contributed to this year's Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Of course the postal strike has made it very challenging to receive and process donations for the Appeal, but despite those challenges, I am happy to share that we are aware of having raised over \$750,000 in donations. And we know there are more gifts and contributions on the way. Those gifts, coming from your generosity, enable us to continue many vital aspects of work of the Archdiocese, which provide resources for our parishes and serve many in need. We still have a ways to go to reach our Appeal goal, and if you have not yet had a chance to contribute a gift, it is not too late.

As we prepare to bring this year and this Appeal to a close, and prepare for the joyous celebration of the birth of our Lord, may the hope and joy of this season grow in your hearts. Let us make room in our hearts to joyfully celebrate and proclaim the Lord's birth. The Gospel he proclaimed, at the heart of our lives as church, is not just a message to be heard, but a call to be lived. Let us continue to share His love and generosity with all those in need. God bless!

Yours in Christ,

✠ Donald J. Bolen
Archbishop of Regina