Roma, 5 February 2021

To: Most Rev. Fr. Jose Maria Ezpeleta Most Rev. Fr. Rito Ybanez Saint Matthew Province PARANAQUE

Dearly beloved,

I share your joy and offer you fraternal greetings for the 25th anniversary of your priestly ordination.

This anniversary is an important stage in priestly life and offers you the opportunity to look at the path taken, and to thank the Lord for the many gifts received and to renew the commitment to start again with new enthusiasm in your apostolate.

On this occasion, gratitude also goes to your relatives, formators and confreres who have accompanied you on this journey.

I unite myself with your joy, united in prayer, and on behalf of the Congregation, I express to you my deepest gratitude for your witness of fidelity, availability, and generous service to the Congregation and the Church.

I take this opportunity, in particular, to express to you, dear Fr. Jose Maria, my deepest gratitude for your precious collaboration in your important role as Vicar General of the Congregation. Gratitude also addressed to you, Fr. Rito, in particular for the missionary availability offered to the Province of St. Hannibal.

May you continue your journey with these sentiments and gather abundant fruits from the apostolate you carry out.

With these wishes, imploring upon you the blessing of the Divine Superiors, and of the holy Founder, whose feast we have celebrated in these days, I greet you with affection in the Lord.

(Fr. Bruno Rampazzo, R.C.J.) Superior General