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My dear brothers,

The purpose of this communication is to inform you that the Jubilee for the Third Centenary of the Foundation of the Passionist Congregation has been extended until 31 May 2022.

The Jubilee was scheduled to end on 1 January 2022, but new factors intervened that suggested extending the time period of the celebration. Among these, beyond the pandemic, is the pilgrimage of the Jubilee Icon. In November 2021, in the large PASPAC Configuration (Asia-Pacific) the Jubilee Icon was located in Korea and had visited only the Philippines.

The President of the Configuration, Fr. Tom McDonough asked the Jubilee Commission whether the Icon could be retained in the Configuration or should it be returned to Rome in January 2022. The answer was that the icon could conclude its pilgrimage in the PASPAC region. Then the Commission asked if the Configuration wished that the pilgrimage of the Icon would continue its journey there, together with the possibility of obtaining the Jubilee plenary indulgence.

The Commission gave a positive response to the request and proceeded to ask the Apostolic Penitentiary to extend the Passionist Jubilee until 31 May 2022. However, it did not seem to make much sense to conclude the Jubilee, as it was planned, on 1 January 2022, in Europe, North and South America and Africa and to extend it only in Asia and Australia.

On the contrary, this extension could be a new opportunity, a possibility that is offered to everyone. Therefore, those who think that they had already exhausted the pastoral potential of the Jubilee may now take this extension into account.

May the continuation of the Jubilee be fruitful and a source of blessings!

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