

A letter from the Vatican in which Archbishop Fernando Filoni extends greetings from his Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI on Catholic Digest's 75th Anniversary this year.



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Dear Mr. Connors,

His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI has been informed that *Catholic Digest* is commemorating the 75th anniversary of its establishment, and he has asked me to convey his congratulations and prayerful good wishes for the happy occasion.

His Holiness expresses gratitude for the significant contribution which your magazine has made since its founding to the growth of an informed laity capable of fulfilling its baptismal vocation to be a leaven of the Gospel in American society. It is his hope that the present anniversary will draw attention to the important role of Catholic journalism in transmitting the wisdom, beauty and spiritual richness of our Christian culture as an essential element of the new evangelization and the renewal of the Church in our time.

With these sentiments the Holy Father commends the staff and readers of *Catholic Digest* to the loving intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, and cordially imparts his Apostolic Blessing as a pledge of joy and peace in the Lord.

Yours sincerely,

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