

GREETING OF JOHN PAUL II TO A GROUP OF PILGRIMS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH (AUSTRALIA)

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Dear Friends in Christ,

It gives me great pleasure to meet this *pilgrim group from the Archdiocese of Perth* on the occasion of your visit to Rome, to the tombs of the Apostles Peter and Paul. Here you have wished to profess your faith, the same faith to which the Apostles bore witness with their lives.

As the Church prepares for the Great Jubilee of the Two Thousandth Anniversary of the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, I pray that you will be confirmed in the one, holy, catholic and apostolic faith. Our shared task, at the approach of the Third Millennium, is to be ever more true to our Catholic heritage and to communicate it whole and entire to the younger generation. May the Lord's light shine upon you and your families. May he bless your Archdiocese and all Australia".

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