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Dear Catechists,

The first two *International Congresses* on Catechesis held at the Vatican in 2013 and 2018 on the First and Second Parts of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* examined the Ministry of the Catechist in relation to the proclamation of the Faith and the celebration of the Christian Mystery.

After the pause brought about by the health emergency, which also strained our pastoral efforts in the catechetical field, new horizons are appearing which open up unprecedented perspectives and opportunities. In this context of a return to our normal activity, the *III International Congress on Catechesis*, entitled *The Catechist, Witness of the New Life in Christ*, is being organized which will be held at the Vatican, September 8-10, 2022.

The Congress will seek to deepen the link between catechesis and moral formation in light of the Third Part of the *Catechism*, highlighting the splendor of the new life in Christ that Christians are called to manifest in their own lives. The Program, posted on our website (www.pcpne.va), will allow further review of the Congress' overall intent and its event schedule.

This invitation is addressed to all those who work for the proclamation of the Gospel, whether as diocesan leaders and formators, or as catechists and their assistants who carry out their invaluable task in parish communities.

It is possible to register for the Congress by July 30 on our website (www.pcpne.va). For further explanations, you may contact this Pontifical Council by writing to: office@pcpne.va.

Looking forward to seeing you, with kind regards,

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