



Dear Friends,

I wish to endorse the California Association of Natural Family Planning (CANFP), and encourage you to attend its Family Conference in Los Angeles, July 25-28, 2018. You may know that July 25 of next year marks the fiftieth anniversary of the landmark encyclical *Humanae vitae*. Many Catholics are finally coming to realize the prophetic truths in this encyclical, but at precisely this time some Church leaders have said publicly that we must "re-evaluate" *Humanae vitae*.

CANFP could not have chosen a better time to organize this conference. I served on the CANFP board for six years, and the Archbishop under whom I serve currently serves on its board. For many years this grassroots organization has been promoting *Humanae vitae* and the entire magisterial teaching about marriage and family.

The conference in July of next year will feature national speakers who can help us articulate the Church's teaching in the face of opposition at the highest levels. I recommend the conference and hope to see many of you there.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

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