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To: Diocesan Corresponding Secretaries
Provincial Officers, Spiritual Advisor, Diocesan Presidents
And the National Secretary Treasurer

From: Jeannie Coleman, Administrative Assistant

The religious Christmas stamp was issued today, November 2, 2015.
The stamp this year features the Madonna and Child.

The following is a quote from Canada Post. "This nativity-themed painting, courtesy of the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, is the work of 16th century artist Adriaen Isenbrandt. He was active in Bruges from 1510, when he became a master in the painters' guild – a sign of his professional status. The oil-on-panel painting, entitled, *The Adoration of the Magi*, depicts a traditional scene from the nativity: the moment when Mary, Joseph and the infant Jesus welcome the arrival of the magi. The wise men stand in the background on the left, while other onlookers including animals typically associated with the scene appear throughout.

Photographed by Denis Farley, this work was part of a generous donation made to the museum by Michal and Renata Hornstein. Another piece from this collection will be featured on another stamp next year."

Advent is approaching, the time of the year when we prepare for Christmas and one of our favourite customs is to send Christmas cards, so please request religious stamps when mailing out your Christmas cards and letters. It is an excellent idea to buy extra religious stamps while they are available and use these beautiful stamps throughout the year every time you mail a card or letter. Remember supply and demand, if we demand Canada Post will supply.

Blessings,
Jeannie