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### MEMORANDUM

To: All Bishops

From: Reverend Monsignor J. Brian Bransfield, General Secretary

Date: April 27, 2020

Subject: Order of Worship for Renewal of Consecration of the United States to Mary,  
Mother of the Church

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Your Eminence / Your Excellency,

I take this opportunity to convey to you the attached Order of Worship, in English and in Spanish, for the prayer of renewal of the consecration of the United States to the care of the Blessed Mother Mary on Friday, May 1, 2020, at 12 pm PDT / 3 pm EDT.

I am also pleased to include the links to the Archdiocese of Los Angeles' service at <https://lacatholics.org/consecration>. The service will also be livestreamed via the USCCB's website at <http://www.usccb.org/consecration>.

The consecration on May 1 follows a similar action of the bishops' conference of Latin America and the Caribbean (CELAM) who consecrated their nations to Our Lady of Guadalupe on Easter Sunday. The renewal of consecration planned in this country for May 1 does not change the designation of Mary as the Patroness of the United States under the title of the Immaculate Conception. Rather, this prayer reaffirms and renews previous Marian entrustments, and unites us in solidarity with our Holy Father, who recently established the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, as a source of protection and strength.

Thank you for your kind attention to this memorandum.