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On behalf of the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada I offer my sincere congratulations on the election of Jorge Bergoglio as Pope Francis. Over the last several weeks congregations of all denominations have been praying for the Holy Spirit to guide this important process by lending all involved the knowledge, wisdom and understanding to choose the right Cardinal to succeed Pope Benedict XVI.

We join you in praying that this newly-elected Pope will have all the necessary skills and guidance to lead the Roman Catholic Church in the way that is best for its continued strength and vitality.

May you enjoy a prayerful Lenten season, and may the Lord continue to bless you as you serve Him in your capacity with the CCCB.

Your sister in Christ,

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