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# IN COOPERATION WITH THE ARCHDIOCESE OF MONTREAL, COMMUNION WILL BE OFFERED DURING THE BROADCAST OF THE POPE'S MASS AT ALL GUZZO THEATRES

**Montreal, July 23, 2022** - Cinémas Guzzo, the largest independent cinema chain in Quebec, will present the live broadcast of the Pope's Mass to be held at the Basilica of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré. The Mass will be broadcast on July 28, at 10 a.m. in both official languages on all of its screens.

In addition, communion will also be offered during this solemn occasion in all of its 10 locations, which are situated within the Dioceses of Montreal, Saint-Jean-Longueuil and Saint-Jérôme-Mont-Laurier: <a href="https://www.cinemasguzzo.com/cinemas.html">www.cinemasguzzo.com/cinemas.html</a>

Entry is free. Voluntary donations will be collected under the direction of the Mgr. Arthur Deschênes Foundation. All funds that are collected will be transferred to the fundraising campaign for the papal visit.

The Archbishop of Montreal, the Most Reverend Christian Lépine, said: "The faithful in the Greater Montreal Area will be able to take part live in this historic Mass, thanks to the cooperation of Cinémas Guzzo. As well, those who wish will be able to receive communion in union with the faithful, despite the distance, thanks to a dedicated team of volunteers. This will allow us to participate in unity with the Indigenous peoples on this journey of healing."

Mr. Vincenzo Guzzo, President and CEO of Cinémas Guzzo, added: "This visit by Pope Francis is historic. We must all do our part to find a path to reconciliation with the Indigenous peoples, and we wanted to offer our contribution. Thus, making our movie theaters available for such an event was the least we could do."

#### For group bookings:

Please email <u>groupes.cinemasguzzo.280722@gmail.com</u>, with your contact information, the name of a contact person, number of people and language preference.

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### For individual bookings:

People who wish to participate can sign up, starting **Sunday, July 24 at noon** on the company's website: <a href="https://www.cinemasguzzo.com">www.cinemasguzzo.com</a>

#### To donate to the fundraising campaign for the Pope's visit to Canada:

www.papalvisit.ca

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