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Dear Apostles of Divine Mercy:

Greetings of Peace and Love in the Merciful Lord!

I am the new Regional Superior of the Salvatorians in Canada. For a number of years, the Salvatorian Fathers have been trying to see the possibility of promoting the Devotion to the Divine Mercy in Canada. Since we arrived some fifteen years ago, we have developed and established this devotion at Holy Cross Parish in Burnaby, British Columbia. Thanks to Reverend Father Zeno Zgudziak, SDS this has turned out to be successful and there are now a significant number of participants every Friday for the Divine Mercy Devotion in this parish. Many of our Salvatorian priests have introduced this devotion in their respective parishes on a regular basis as well.

Then, through the contact of Father Zeno with Willy Effinger, our Society started a process of discernment and negotiations with the Archdiocese of Kingston and Willy and Theresa Effinger, who are legal owners of the property of the Divine Mercy Centre near Lanark. We considered establishing a religious house on this property and planned to continue the apostolate started by the Effingers with which many of you have been involved.

Unfortunately, during this time of searching, we have encountered several obstacles which have prevented us from finalizing our “dreams”. Recently, we have come to the conclusion and final decision that, at this moment, the Canadian Region of the Salvatorians is not able to pursue this apostolate, mainly due to a lack of adequate personnel.

On behalf of the Salvatorians, I apologize for possible disappointments and hurts you might have felt as a result of this decision. I also hope that God, who has begun a good work with Willy, Theresa and all of you, will bring it to its fulfillment. I pray for this. God’s Blessings! I remain,

**Fr. Dariusz Zarebski SDS
Regional Superior**