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Ms. Jennifer Baugh  
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Dear Ms. Baugh,

I am pleased to have learned of the wonderful work your organization, Young Catholic Professionals, is doing for Catholic young adults across the country. The Church has struggled to provide compelling options and solid faith formation to young adults between college graduation and the formation of their families. Young Catholic Professionals fills an important gap.

It is critical to connect Catholic young adults more deeply to Christ's Body, the Church. Many young adults who try to live the Catholic faith struggle to integrate their faith with their work, and even find the workplace hostile towards expressing their faith. By forming young adults to "work in witness for Christ," Young Catholic Professionals enables young adults to integrate their professional careers with the values of the Gospel and their Catholic faith. YCP provides the place for young adults to learn how to witness to Christ in their professional lives, unite themselves more deeply to Christ and His Church, and connect them to a local parish community.

I am pleased to hear that a group of young adults have undertaken the task of starting a YCP chapter within the Archdiocese of San Francisco. I encourage you to work with our Coordinator of Youth & Young Adult Ministry, Amanda George. It is with hope and enthusiasm that I endorse Young Catholic Professionals to carry out their ministry here in our Archdiocese. I am confident that these efforts will help draw many young adults into a deeper practice of the Faith. You may count on my prayers and support for this endeavor.

With gratitude and prayers, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Salvatore J. Cordileone  
Archbishop of San Francisco