



**Archdiocese of San Antonio**  
**Department of Communication**

**Statement from Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller,  
MSpS, in response to inquiries regarding Pope Francis  
comments in documentary film ‘Francesco’**

I have not seen the documentary film “Francesco,” which premiered October 21 in Rome.

According to news reports I have read, Pope Francis spoke briefly in the film regarding civil unions. He has addressed this issue in the past, when he was Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio, archbishop of Buenos Aires, Argentina; and in prior interviews. He is NOT advocating for same-sex marriage.

I am sure in the coming days the pope will offer clarifying comments and speak more in-depth regarding his remarks in the documentary. The Holy Father remains daily in my prayers.

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