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Pope Francis gives his blessing to a group of people after celebrating Mass in St. Peter's Basilica Oct. 11 to mark the 60th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council. (CNS/Vatican Media)



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