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## Telegram of the Holy Father to the newly-elected President of the French Republic, His Excellency Emmanuel Macron

The following is the telegram the Holy Father sent to the newly-elected President of the French Republic, His Excellency Emmanuel Macron:

Telegram of the Holy Father

HIS EXCELLENCY MONSIEUR EMMANUEL MACRON PRESIDENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC PARIS

ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR INVESTITURE AS PRESIDENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC, I SEND YOU MY VERY CORDIAL WISHES FOR THE EXERCISE OF YOUR HIGH OFFICE IN THE SERVICE OF ALL YOUR COMPATRIOTS. I PRAY THAT GOD SUPPORT YOU SO THAT YOUR COUNTRY, FAITHFUL TO THE RICH DIVERSITY OF ITS MORAL TRADITIONS AND ITS SPIRITUAL HERITAGE MARKED ALSO BY THE CHRISTIAN TRADITION, MAY ALWAYS ENDEAVOUR TO BUILD A MORE JUST AND FRATERNAL SOCIETY. WITH RESPECT FOR DIFFERENCE AND ATTENTION TO THOSE IN SITUATIONS OF VULNERABILITY AND EXCLUSION, MAY IT CONTRIBUTE TO THE COOPERATION AND SOLIDARITY BETWEEN NATIONS. MAY FRANCE CONTINUE TO FOSTER, IN EUROPE AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, THE SEARCH FOR PEACE AND THE COMMON GOOD, RESPECT FOR LIFE AND THE DEFENCE OF THE DIGNITY OF EVERY PERSON AND OF ALL PEOPLES. I HEARTILY INVOKE THE LORD'S BLESSING UPON YOU AND ALL THE INHABITANTS OF FRANCE.

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