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To commemorate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Mahatma Gandhi, an “apostle of nonviolence”, the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue held in Rome on 1 October 2019 a day-long International Interreligious Study and Reflection on the theme of “Fraternal Love and Nonviolence for Global Harmony and Peace”. Fifty scholars, promoters of peace and nonviolence activists from different religious traditions took part in the event. With reference to the Abu Dhabi Document on “Human Fraternity for World Peace and Living Together”, study and reflection focused on the urgent need for nonviolence in today’s violence-ridden world and on ways and means of promoting peace and harmony and nurturing friendship and fraternity everywhere. The participants attended the General Audience today, the day of Gandhi’s birth and the International Day of Nonviolence.