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## In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit One God Amen !

> To the Holy Roman Catholic Church and all the community !

## **MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE**

Please accept my deepest sympathy on the death of the Holy Father, Pope Francis II, I share in your grief.

## "Precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of His Saints......" (Psalm. 116:15)

The passing away of His Holiness Pope Francis II signifies that he finished His Holy and apostolic mission in this world and left for His eternal home for which He had been preparing with dedication in the service of God, spreading the Gospel.

Most surprising is His passing away in time of commemoration of resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, which has meaning and message too. His legacy in His noble service in spreading the Gospel and fighting for peace and justice to create a better world for Christianity and for humanity in general is remarkable. He was advocate of peace and reconciliation, and justice. His Holiness was very much concerned about migrants, war prisoners, displaced people, especially women, children and all the downtrodden everywhere in the world mentioning these issues in all His messages to world community and world leaders at every occasjon.



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The last message He left for all is nothing else but it is that of the Apostle St. Paul's that says – "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith hence forth there is laid up for me, the crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous judge will award to me on that day....." (II Timothy 4:7-8)

All Christians in the world miss His encouraging and comforting messages and teachings. We wish comfort to all these people. We hope and pray God will give the Holy Church and the people great father who will continue the mission of His Holiness Pope Francis II.

Let his soul rest in peace among Saints !

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