

GREEK ORTHODOX PATRIARCH OF ANTIOCH AND ALL THE EAST

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**Patriarch John X Expresses Grief over Pope Francis Passing**

“The passing of Pope Francis is a loss for all humanity. He called for peace and putting an end to wars across the globe.”

“In this holy season of Pascha, divine providence has willed that Pope Francis return to the house of the Heavenly Father.”

“On behalf of myself and the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate of Antioch and all the East, clergy and people alike, I extend my deepest condolences and sympathy to the Holy See, the Catholic Church, and all those who loved him and were touched by his noble Christian mission.”