



# The Holy See

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MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS  
TO THE MOST REVEREND AND RIGHT HONOURABLE JUSTIN WELBY  
ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY  
ON THE OCCASION OF THE CEREMONY OF ENTHRONEMENT

*To the Most Reverend and Right Honourable  
Justin Welby  
Archbishop of Canterbury*

*"May grace and peace be multiplied to you" (1 Pet 1:2b)*

I thank you for the kind words contained in your message to me at my election, and I wish in turn to offer my greetings and best wishes on the occasion of your Enthronement at Canterbury Cathedral.

The pastoral ministry is a call to walk in fidelity to the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please be assured of my prayers as you take up your new responsibilities, and I ask you to pray for me as I respond to the new call that the Lord has addressed to me.

I look forward to meeting you in the near future, and to continuing the warm fraternal relations that our predecessors enjoyed.

*From the Vatican, 18 March 2013*

**FRANCIS**