## POPE FRANCIS' CALL TO PRAYER



Each month, Pope Francis puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These monthly prayer intentions reflect the concerns of the Holy Father for humanity and the sacred mission of the Catholic Church.

In August, Pope Francis has asked us to pray for political leaders around the world.

The Pope urges political leaders to make decisions guided by a spirit of solidarity, compassion, and inclusiveness. By fostering collaboration and unity, political leaders can help build a more just and peaceful society that respects the dignity of every individual. Let us pray for political leaders worldwide, that God may bless them with wisdom, understanding, discernment, and knowledge to make decisions that will positively impact our communities.

"Let's be grateful for the many politicians who carry out their duties with a will to serve, not of power, who put all their efforts toward the common good," the pope said.

"Let us pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and the common good, taking care of those who have lost their jobs and giving priority to the poorest."