



The Holy See

***ADDRESS OF JOHN PAUL II
TO THE ATHLETES OF THE NATIONAL ITALIAN
AND POLISH SOCCER TEAMS***

Tuesday, 11 November 2003

I wholeheartedly greet the delegation of the National Polish Soccer Team and the athletes of the National Italian Soccer Team, with their coaches and teammates. I greet in particular the President of the Italian Soccer Federation, Mr Franco Carraro.

You wanted to pay me a visit, my dear friends, on the evening before the good-natured match that is scheduled tomorrow in Warsaw, in order to give me your best wishes.

I thank you for this kind initiative and, while I assure each one of my remembrance in prayer, I give you all my heartfelt Blessing.