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Dear Friends

It is my pleasure to forward to you the message of greeting from the Holy See for the Feast of Deepavali.

The letter comes from Cardinal Tauran, President of the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue who is Pope Benedict's principal advisor on relations with other religions. In this greeting the Cardinal takes up what has become a very real concern for the Church and must be a concern for people of all religions, namely the nurturing of our young people in the values we seek to pass on to them.

This is an issue both for individual religions and for all religious people. We share a deep concern about peace in the world and we have a vital contribution to make to that great cause. For that contribution to be sustained we need to form our young people so that they can become agents of peace. I commend the Cardinal's reflections to you and I add the greetings and good wishes of the Catholic Church in England and Wales.

Yours Sincerely

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