

**VIDEO MESSAGE OF THE HOLY FATHER ON THE OCCASION OF THE  
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE'S SUPER BOWL**

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Welcome!

Great sporting events like today's Super Bowl are highly symbolic, showing that it is possible to build a culture of encounter and a world of peace.

By participating in sport, we are able to go beyond our own self-interest – and in a healthy way – we learn to sacrifice, to grow in fidelity and respect the rules.

May this year's Super Bowl be a sign of peace, friendship and solidarity for the world.

Thank you!

Francis PP.