

HOMILY OF HIS HOLINESS

POPE FRANCIS

November 2, 2016

The commemoration of the dead has this twofold meaning. A sense of sorrow: a cemetery is sad, it reminds us of our loved ones who have passed on. It also reminds us of the future, of death.

But in this sadness, we bring flowers as a sign of hope, and also, I might say, of celebration, but later on, not now. And sorrow is mingled with hope.

But we also feel that this hope helps us, because we too must make this journey. All of us must make this journey. Sooner or later, with more pain or less, but everyone must.

Jesus was the first to make this journey. We are following the journey that he made. And it was Jesus Himself who opened the door: with the Cross he opened the door of hope, he opened the door for us to enter where we will contemplate God.

Let us return home today with this twofold remembrance: remembrance of the past, of our loved ones who have passed on, and remembrance of the future, of the journey that we will make...that certainty came from Jesus' lips: "I will raise him up at the last day." (John 6:40)



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*We lift up in prayer our Sisters and Brothers
who have gone to Light and Happiness
and an endless Home with God.*

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