



The Holy See

**ADDRESS OF POPE JOHN PAUL II
TO A GROUP OF PILGRIMS
FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF KAMPALA**

Monday, 27 June 1983

My brothers and sisters,

I am pleased to welcome you today and to tell you of my joy in celebrating with you the unity that joins us together as the Body of Christ. I extend my greetings to Cardinal Nsubuga who has led your pilgrimage to Rome and who labours with so much dedication on behalf of the Church. To him and to each of you I express my gratitude for your presence here.

This is the Jubilee Year of Redemption and you are observing this Extraordinary Holy Year by coming to Rome to benefit from the spiritual treasures that our Blessed Lord offers you at this time through the Church. I pray that you may be profoundly touched in meeting Christ along your pilgrim journey. During your stay in Rome may your faith in Jesus be deepened and your love for the Church confirmed. As you return home I urge you to bring the Good News of Christ's love to your compatriots, especially those who at this moment of history carry such a heavy cross of suffering. Before them may your witness to the faith, like that of the Ugandan Martyrs, be courageous and strong, testifying to the meaning of life that you have found in Christ, the Redeemer.

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