

The President of the [Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue](#) , His Eminence Jean-Louis Cardinal Tauran, has released the Pontifical Council's annual message for the Jain feast of Mahavir Jayanti, celebrated this year on April 2. The message is entitled "Christians and Jains: Together to promote care for the elderly". The Jain feast commemorates the anniversary of the birth of Tirthankara Vardhaman Mahavir, who is revered as the 24th and last reformer or Tirthankara of Jainism.

[Link to the Message \(PDF\)](#)