



Statement of Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, archbishop of Chicago, on the 2024 Election

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The American people have spoken. Let us remember that our strength in America lies in our unity. We commend all who had the courage to compete in the electoral process and participate in our democracy. We pray that the Lord will enlighten and sustain those elected in their service to all the people of our country. We also pray for those who held opposing positions, that they continue to participate in our democracy.

Let us also ask God to free our hearts of regrets and resentments, of pride and contemptuousness. We must set aside whatever partisan concerns have divided us and turn our energy and passion to serving the common good. We must never tire of living our tradition of service to the needy, of welcoming the stranger, of respecting the dignity of human life, care of the planet and outreach to all those living at society's margins.

Our common goals must be to demonstrate our commitment to those ideals, to recover our solidarity as a nation and to stand as a beacon of hope and compassion in a world sorely in need of both. As Pope Francis has said, "God willing, after all this, we will think no longer in terms of 'them' and 'those', but only 'us.'"