

**LET US
TURN
TO THE
TRUTH IN
PERSON
AND
PRAY**

Lord, make us instruments
of your peace.

Help us to recognize the evil
latent in a communication that
does not build communion.

Help us to remove the venom
from our judgements.

Help us to speak about others
as our brothers and sisters.

You are faithful and trustworthy;
may our words be seeds of
goodness for the world:

where there is shouting,
let us practise listening;

where there is confusion,
let us inspire harmony;

where there is ambiguity,
let us bring clarity;

where there is exclusion,
let us offer solidarity;

where there is sensationalism,
let us use sobriety;

where there is superficiality,
let us raise real questions;

where there is prejudice,
let us awaken trust;

where there is hostility,
let us bring respect;

where there is falsehood,
let us bring truth.

Amen.



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Fake news and Journalism for Peace

Pope Francis' message for World Communications Day 2018

To Journalists...

“...the protectors of news. Theirs is not just a job; it is a mission...

“I invite everyone to promote a journalism of peace, ...at the service of all, especially those - and they are the majority in our world - who have no voice.

“...they must remember that the heart of information is not the speed with which it is reported or its audience impact, but persons. Informing others means forming others; it means being in touch with people's lives.

“...ensuring the accuracy of sources and communication are real means of promoting goodness, generating trust, and opening the way to communion and peace.



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