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Appointment of His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, Archbishop of Toronto, as member of the Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue

4 July 2025 – Ottawa – On Thursday, 3 July 2025, the Holy See Press Office announced that His Holiness Pope Leo XIV appointed His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo, Archbishop of Toronto, as member of the Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue.

A total of 21 members were appointed to the aforementioned Dicastery. For a complete list of all the new members, see the announcement released by the Holy See (in English and Italian only):

• in English: Resignations and Appointments

• in Italian: Rinunce e nomine

As stated on the Vatican website, the role of the Dicastery is described as:

"The Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue promotes and supervises relations with members and groups of non-Christian religions, with the exception of Judaism, competence for which belongs to the Dicastery for Promoting Christian Unity. The Dicastery works to ensure that dialogue with the followers of other religions takes place in an appropriate way, with an attitude of listening, esteem and respect. It fosters various kinds of relations with them so that, through the contribution of all, peace, freedom, social justice, the protection and safeguarding of creation, and spiritual and moral values may be promoted."

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