

**ADDRESS OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
TO PARTICIPANTS AT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION
OF THE ITALIAN MASTERS OF LABOUR FEDERATION**

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May the Beatitudes of Jesus in the Gospel guide us along this arduous but exciting journey (cf. Mt 5: 3-11, Apostolic Exhortation Gaudete et exsultate, 67-94); may they lead us to look always with love to Jesus Himself who incarnated them in His person; may they show us that holiness does not concern the spirit alone, but also the feet, so that we go towards our brothers, and the hands, so as to share with them. May they teach us and our world not to distrust or leave at the mercy of the waves those who leave their land hungry for bread and justice; may they lead us not to live for the superfluous, but to spend ourselves for the development of all, and to bow with compassion to the weakest. Without the comfortable illusion that, from the rich table of the few, wellbeing might “rain” automatically upon everyone. This is not true.

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