

## Governor Phil Murphy



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# Governor Murphy Congratulates Pope Leo XIV and the Catholic Church

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“Today, Catholics around the world are beaming with pride as His Holiness Pope Leo XIV makes history as the first American Pope. Over the years, Pope Leo XIV has distinguished himself as a deeply principled leader who prioritizes service to others above all else. In his own words, he has encouraged his fellow faith leaders to be humble, to be close to the people he serves, to walk with them, to suffer with them.”

“Tammy and I are praying for Pope Leo XIV’s enduring success as he becomes the spiritual leader for more than one billion Roman Catholics around the world – including myself. This is truly a joyous and momentous day.”

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