

Having met with victims of child abuse and prayed with them, let me encourage you and the local Church to continue to collaborate with civil authorities to keep Catholic institutions exemplary in the safeguarding of children.

In conclusion, I pray fervently that the Catholics of Gozo will remain constant in their wonderfully rich Christian faith. With great affection, I impart my Apostolic Blessing to you and to all the beloved people of the Church in Gozo.

From the Vatican, 19 April 2010

 *Amakutan B. P.*