

**Dear Bishop Joseph Zen**

**On learning of the serene and holy passing of Cardinal John Baptist Wu I express my heartfelt condolences and join you and the clergy, religious and laity of Hong Kong in commending your former shepherd to Our Heavenly Father's merciful love, mindful of the late Cardinal's life-long, dedicated service of the Church as Priest and Bishop and with immense gratitude for his fruitful and untiring cooperation with the Holy See and with me personally throughout my pontificate, I am certain that his memory will live on in the community he so faithfully served, inspiring all to ever greater generosity in christian living. As a pledge of comfort in Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ I impart my apostolic blessing to all who mourn him in the hope of the resurrection.**

*Joannes Paulus P. II*

POPE JOHN PAUL II