

## DAY 1: SUNDAY 5TH MAY



## ***UNDERSTANDING THE BASICS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE***

**1st Reading:** Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalms 98: 1, 2-3, 3-4.

**2nd Reading:** First John 4: 7-10.

**Alleluia:** John 14: 23.

**Gospel:** John 15: 9-17

Reflecting on today's readings, Peter's teachings on the universality of the Christian message, as seen in the Pentecost experience, demonstrate the potential for it to be understood in all cultures. Specifically, in Acts 10:25-26, Cornelius, a highly placed Centurion, learns that God's love is present with all who fear him and do what is right, demonstrating the universality of the Christian message. He, Cornelius, accepted Peter's teachings and chose to be baptized with his entire household, prioritizing faith in God.

Relating this to the topic of today, we can easily see that artificial intelligence, though a product of human intelligence, is a gift from God, and Christians should utilize it to aid the Holy Spirit's work in areas like catechesis, proclamation, and spirituality. The mission of Christ is for all humanity and creation. Artificial intelligence also a-known as AI, is a method of making a computer, a computer-controlled robot, or a software think as intelligently as the human mind. In other words, AI refers to the computerised emulation of human intellect in robots that possess human-like thought and behaviour patterns.

The process of teaching a computer, software, or robot to think intelligently like a human mind is a product of human reasoning and advancing technologically. AI is achieved by examining the cognitive process and the patterns seen in the human brain. These investigations' results lead to the creation of intelligent software and systems. Human cognitive abilities or talents include things like learning, thinking, problem-solving, perception, and language understanding. Thus, AI is accomplished by studying the patterns of the human brain and by analysing the cognitive process.



The results of these studies involve the development of software and intelligent systems. In other words, the process of making a computer, robot under computer control, or piece of software think intelligently like a human mind results in what is today known as artificial intelligence. Artificial intelligence can be used to foster love, unity, and understanding among humans, but humans alone are capable of making sense of the data input in the machine or system and this is why human wisdom of heart is highly essential in engaging with AI. Of course, wisdom is a human quality that cannot be replaced by machines, as they lack the heart and true wisdom. Machine learning is a more accurate representation of how machines learn from data. The Holy Father's message emphasizes that wisdom cannot be sought from machines but from humans alone. He emphasizes the importance of awakening humanity from the illusion of omnipotence and recognizing that machines possess a limitless capacity for storing and correlating data.



The Holy Father also emphasizes the need for growing media literacy for discipleship and the importance of recognizing the vulnerability of humans to the temptation to become like God without God.

The truth remains that, human beings are unique in their ability to understand context, emotions, and nuances beyond raw data fed into the machines.

The illusion of omnipotence is often misunderstood, but humans are vulnerable creatures who need each other. AI was invented to enhance human capabilities, automate repetitive tasks, and solve complex problems more efficiently. It is meant to serve humanity in various aspects of life, such as healthcare, transportation, and communication. undeniably, AI aligns with God's design for humanity, as it allows humans to create and innovate, improving the world and stewardship over the Earth and its resources.

