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At the end of the morning, during the funeral of the French teacher killed in Arras, the victim's relatives thanked all those who supported them after the tragedy that occurred last week. They called it "a surge of humanity". The ceremony was organized in the Arras cathedral in the presence of Emmanuel Macron. In front of the building several dozen people gathered to pay tribute to the teacher. Dominique Bernard was posthumously decorated as a knight of the Legion of Honor.

Four deaths, including three children were reported following a house fire in the Orne. The fire broke out last night in the town of Bretoncelles and mobilized around fifty firefighters who managed to control the flames in the morning. An investigation was opened to determine the origin of the fire.

In the Bouches-du-Rhône, a man was arrested by the Raid after having taken refuge in his home in Martigues. He had, before that, fired shots. A victim is seriously injured and is in critical condition. It could be a neighborhood conflict which degenerated. The men of the Raid managed to arrest the accused after several hours of intervention. The neighborhood remains cordoned off for the continuation of investigations.

And new airport evacuations took place today throughout France after bomb threats, In Bordeaux, Nantes, Lille and Montpellier. Flights are being diverted and significant delays are expected again. Already yesterday, fifteen airports had to be evacuated after false alerts. Transport Minister Clément Beaune recalls that the authors of these hoaxes will be punished.

British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak is traveling to Israel. He spoke late this morning with President Isaac Herzog. The two men agreed on "the importance of providing urgent humanitarian aid to the Palestinians in Gaza". Rishi Sunak then met his counterpart, Benjamin Netanyahu.

And then Météo France places Ardèche under orange flood alert. Heavy rain is expected this evening and should last until tomorrow morning.