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Apostolic Journey to the Kingdom of Bahrain

Links to Pope Francis' homilies and addresses on his apostolic journey to the Kingdom of Bahrain 3-6 November 2022.

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"The Kingdom of Bahrain Declaration acknowledges in this regard that, 'religious faith is a blessing to all mankind and the foundation for peace in the world.' I am here today as a believer, as a Christian, as a man

and as a pilgrim of peace, because today, more than ever, we are called, everywhere, to commit ourselves seriously to peacemaking. Your Majesty, Your Royal Highnesses, distinguished authorities and friends, I thus make my own and share with you, as my hope and prayer for these greatly-desired days of my visit in the Kingdom of Bahrain, a fine passage of the same Declaration. It reads: 'We commit to working for a world where people of sincere belief join together to reject that which divides us and concentrate instead on celebrating and expanding on that which unites us.' So may it be, with the blessing of the Most High! Shukran! [Thank you!]" (Pope Francis, Meeting with civil authorities and the diplomatic corps, 3 November 2022).

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Thursday, 3 November 2022

Departure by airplane from

9:30 Rome/Fiumicino International Airport to Awali

Greeting to journalists on the flight to Awali

- 16:45 Arrival at Sakhir Air Base in Awali
- 16:45 Official Welcome
 - **Courtesy visit to His Majesty**
- 17:30 **the King of Bahrain** at Sakhir Royal Palace

Welcome Ceremony in the

18:10 courtyard of Sakhir Royal Palace

Meeting with the

18:30 Authorities, Civil Society and the Diplomatic Corps

Friday, 4 November 2022

10:00	<u>Closing of the "Bahrain</u> <u>Forum for Dialogue: East</u> and West for Human
	Coexistence'' at Al-Fida' Square of Sakhir Royal Palace
16:00	Private meeting with the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar in the Papal Residence within the grounds of Sakhir Royal Palace
16:30	Meeting with the Members of the Muslim Council of Elders at the Mosque of Sakhir Royal Palace
17:45	Ecumenical meeting and Prayer For Peace in Our Lady of Arabia Cathedral

Saturday, 5 November 2022

8:30 Holy Mass at Bahrain National Stadium

17:00 Meeting with the Youth in Sacred Heart School

Sunday, 6 November 2022

9:30	Prayer Meeting and Angelus with Bishops, Priests,
	Consecrated Persons ,
	Seminarians and Pastoral
	<u>Workers</u> in Sacred Heart Church in Manama
12:30	Farewell Ceremony at Sakhir Air Base in Awali
13:00	Departure by airplane from Sakhir Air Base to Rome
17:00	Arrival at Rome/Fiumicino International Airport

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