

VISIT OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS TO ASSISI FOR THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE "THIRST FOR PEACE: FAITHS AND CULTURES IN DIALOGUE"

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Tuesday, 20 September 2016

- 10:30 Departure by helicopter from the Vatican heliport
- 11:05 Arrival at the Migaghelli sports field next to St. Mary of the Angels Arrival at the Sacred Convent of Assisi

The Holy Father is welcomed by:

- Fr Mauro Gambetti, Custos of the Sacred Convent
- His Holiness Bartholomew I, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople
- 11:30 A Muslim representative
 - His Grace Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury
 - His Holiness Aphrem II, Syro-Orthodox Patriarch of Antioch
 - A Jewish representative
 - Supreme Head of the Tendai (Japan)

All will proceed together to the Cloister of Sixtus IV, where they will join other religious leaders present, including representatives of other churches and religions, and the bishops of Umbria.

- 12:00 The Holy Father will greet each representative individually Lunch together in the refectory of the Sacred Convent. Also present will be a number of people who are victims of war.
- 13:00 Dr Marco Impagliazzo, President of the Sant'Egidio Community, will offer special words on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of leadership of His Holiness Bartholomew I, the Ecumencial Patriarch of Constantinople. The Holy Father will meet individually with:
 - His Holiness Bartholomew I
 - A Muslim representative
- 15:15 - His Grace Archbishop Justin Welby
 - His Holiness Patriarch Aphrem II

- A Jewish representative In various locations there will be a moment of prayer for peace

- 16:00 Lower Basilica of St. Francis
- ECUMENICAL PRAYER OF CHRISTIANS

At the conclusion of the ecumenical prayer, all the participants will gather together

17:00 with the Representatives of other religions arriving from the locations where they have prayed and take their place on the stage in St. Francis' Square St. Francis' Square

CLOSING CEREMONY:

·Greetings from H.E. Msgr. Domenico Sorrentino, Archbishop-Bishop of Assisi – Nocera Umbra – Gualdo Tadino

·Messages:

- A testimony given by a war victim
- Patriarch Bartholomew I
- A Muslim representative
- 17:15 A Jewish representative
 - The Japanese Buddhist Patriarch
 - Professor Andrea Riccardi, founder of the Sant'Egidio Community
 - Address of the Holy Father

Reading of an Appeal for Peace to the children of various nations

·Moment of silence in memory of the victims of war

·Appeal for Peace to be signed and two candles lit

·Exchange of a sign of peace

- The Holy Father will bid farewell to those present and transfer by car to the St. Mary 18:30
- of the Angels heliport
- 19:00 Departure from the Migaghelli sports field next to St. Mary of the Angels
- 19:35 Arrival at the Vatican heliport

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