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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**

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## ***Friday, 4 November 2022***

**Closing of the "Bahrain  
Forum for Dialogue: East**

**10:00 and West for Human  
Coexistence" at Al-Fida'  
Square of Sakhir Royal Palace**

**Private meeting with the  
Grand Imam of Al-Azhar in**

**16:00 the Papal Residence within the  
grounds of Sakhir Royal  
Palace**

**Meeting with the Members  
of the Muslim Council of**

**16:30 Elders at the Mosque of  
Sakhir Royal Palace**

**Ecumenical meeting and**

**17:45 Prayer For Peace in Our Lady  
of Arabia Cathedral**

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***Saturday, 5 November 2022***

**8:30 Holy Mass at Bahrain  
National Stadium**

17:00 Meeting with the Youth in  
Sacred Heart School

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*Sunday, 6 November 2022*

9:30 Prayer Meeting and Angelus  
with Bishops, Priests,  
Consecrated Persons,  
Seminarians and Pastoral  
Workers 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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