



The Holy See

VISIT OF THE HOLY FATHER TO BARI FOR THE MEETING OF REFLECTION AND SPIRITUALITY, “MEDITERRANEAN: FRONTIER OF PEACE”

23 February 2020

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7.00 Departure by helicopter from the Vatican heliport

Arrival in Piazzale Cristoforo Colombo, Bari

The Holy Father will be received by:

- Archbishop Francesco Cacucci of Bari-Bitonto;
- 8.15 - the Honorable Michele Emiliano, president of the Region of Apulia
- Dr. Antonella Bellomo, prefect of Bari
- the Honorable Antonio Decaro, mayor of Bari.

Transfer by car to the Pontifical Basilica of Saint Nicholas

BASILICA OF SAINT NICHOLAS

8.30 Meeting with bishops of the Mediterranean

- Introduction from His Eminence Cardinal Gualtiero Bassetti, president of the Italian

Episcopal Conference.

Interventions by:

His Eminence Cardinal Vinko Puljić, president of the Episcopal Conference of Bosnia and Herzegovina;

Archbishop Pierbattista Pizzaballa, O.F.M., titular archbishop of Verbe, apostolic administrator *sede vacante* of the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem.

Address of the Holy Father

- Thanksgiving from Archbishop Paul Desfarges, S.J., of Alger, Algeria, president of the Regional Episcopal Conference of North Africa (CERNA).

The Holy Father will greet the bishops attending the meeting.

The Holy Father will visit the crypt of the Basilica to venerate the relics of Saint Nicholas, and will greet the Community of Dominican Fathers.

Upon leaving the Basilica, on the parvis, the Holy Father will address a greeting to those waiting in the square.

Transfer by car to Corso Vittorio Emmanuele II

CORSO VITTORIO EMMANUELE II: Eucharistic Concelebration

Homily of the Holy Father

10.45

Angelus

12.30 Departure from Piazzale Cristoforo Colombo.

13.45 Arrival at the Vatican heliport.

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