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Pastoral visit of the Holy Father Francis to Matera for the conclusion of the 27th National
Eucharistic Congress (Sunday 25 September 2022) - Programme

7.00	Departure from the Vatican heliport
8.30	Arrival in the XXI Settembre Municipal Stadium in Matera
	The Holy Father will be welcomed by:
	- Cardinal Matteo Maria Zuppi, archbishop of Bologna, president of the Italian Episcopal Conference;
	- Archbishop Antonio Giuseppe Caiazzo of Matera- Irsina;
	- The Hon. Vito Bardi, president of the Basilicata Region;
	- Dr. Sante Capponi, prefect of Matera;
	- Dr. Domenico Bennardi, mayor of Matera;
	- Dr. Piero Marrese, president of the Province of Matera.
	Immediate transfer by car to the Cathedral
9.00	In the Cathedral: meeting with refugees and displaced persons
	- Presentation by Archbishop Antonio Giuseppe Caiazzo of Matera-Irsina
	* Words of greeting of the Holy Father

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9.30	The Holy Father will leave the Cathedral
10.00	In Piazza Matteotti: Eucharistic concelebration for the conclusion of the National
	Eucharistic Congress
	* Homily of the Holy Father
	* Angelus
	- Words of thanks from Cardinal Matteo Maria Zuppi, archbishop of Bologna,
	president of the Italian Episcopal Conference
11.45	The Holy Father will transfer by car to the Mensa della Fraternità soup kitchen
	dedicated to "Don Giovanni Mele" in Via Giacomo Racioppi: blessing and
	inauguration of the new structure
12.30	XXI Settembre Municipal Stadium: the Holy Father will take leave of the authorities
	who received him on arrival
	Departure from the Municipal Stadium of Matera
14.00	Arrival at the Vatican heliport