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PASTORAL VISIT OF THE HOLY FATHER LEO XIV TO POMPEII AND NAPLES

8 MAY 2026

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8.00 Departure from the Vatican heliport

8.50 Arrival in the meeting area of the Sanctuary of Pompeii

The Holy Father will be welcomed by:

1. Archbishop Tommaso Caputo, Prelate of Pompeii, Pontifical Delegate for the Sanctuary;
2. The Honourable Roberto Fico, President of the Campania Region;
3. Dr. Michele Di Bari, Prefect of Naples;
4. Dr. Gaetano Manfredi, Mayor of the Metropolitan City of Naples;
5. Dr. Andreina Esposito, Acting Mayor of Pompeii.

9.00 The Holy Father will proceed on foot to the Luisa Trapani Hall, where he will meet the "Temple of Charity": people from disadvantaged situations, welcomed in the various Centres of the Sanctuary of Pompeii.

- Greeting from Archbishop Tommaso Caputo

- Greetings of three guests.

***words of the Holy Father**

9.30 The Holy Father will leave the Luisa Trapani Hall, and pass through the streets and the square adjacent to the Sanctuary.

9.45 At the entrance to the Sanctuary, the Holy Father will be welcomed by the Rector, Msgr. Pasquale Mocerino, who will give him the Crucifix to venerate and the water for aspersion.

Some ill and disabled people will be present in the Sanctuary; they will follow the Mass on the screens.

***Blessing and words of greeting of the Holy Father**

10.00 Chapel of Saint Bartolo Longo; veneration of the relics of the Saint Founder of the Sanctuary; greeting to the bishops present.

Chapel of the Reconciliation: greeting to the Priests of the Sanctuary.

The Holy Father will put on his liturgical vestments in the sacristy.

10.30 Piazza Bartolo Longo: Eucharistic concelebration.

*** Homily * Supplication to Our Lady of Pompeii**

Before the final Blessing, words of gratitude to Archbishop Tommaso Caputo, and the exchange of gifts.

12.30 After removing his vestments, the Holy Father will greet the Collaborators of the Pontifical Delegation.

13.00 Marianna De Fusco Hall: lunch.

15.00 Departure from the meeting area of the Sanctuary of Pompeii.

15.15 Arrival at the Rotonda Diaz in Naples.

The Holy Father will be welcomed by:

1. Cardinal Domenico Battaglia, Archbishop of Naples;

2. The Honourable Roberto Fico, President of the Campania Region;

3. Dr. Michele Di Bari, Prefect of Naples;

4. Dr. Gaetano Manfredi, Mayor of Naples.

Immediate transfer by car to the Cathedral of Naples.

15.45 In the Cathedral: Meeting with the Clergy and Consecrated Persons

- adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- greeting from Cardinal Domenico Battaglia
- prayer and reading of a passage from the Gospel

*** Address of the Holy Father**

At the end, in the sacristy, the Holy Father will greet some collaborators of the diocesan Curia.

16.30 The Holy Father will leave the Cathedral and transfer by car to Piazza del Plebiscito

17.00 Palazzo del Plebiscito: Meeting with the Citizenry

The Holy Father will enter the Basilica of Saint Francis of Paola and greet the Community of Minim Fathers and some authorities.

The Holy Father will take his place on the steps of the Basilica:

- greeting from Cardinal Domenico Battaglia
- greeting from the Mayor of Naples, Dr. Gaetano Manfredi
- performance by youth ministry workers.

*** Address of the Holy Father**

- Act of Entrustment to the Virgin Mary, and Blessing.

18.30 Transfer by car to the Rotondo Diaz.

The Holy Father will take leave of the authorities who greeted him on arrival.

19.30 Arrival at the Vatican heliport.

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