



A woman holds a sign in Italian reading "Liberty, Creativity and Dialogue" as people wait for Pope Francis' arrival to celebrate Mass on the fields outside the Basilica of Our Lady of Seven Sorrows in Sastin, Slovakia, Sept. 15. (CNS/Paul Haring)



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