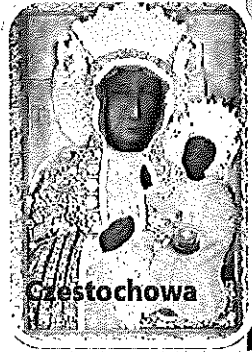
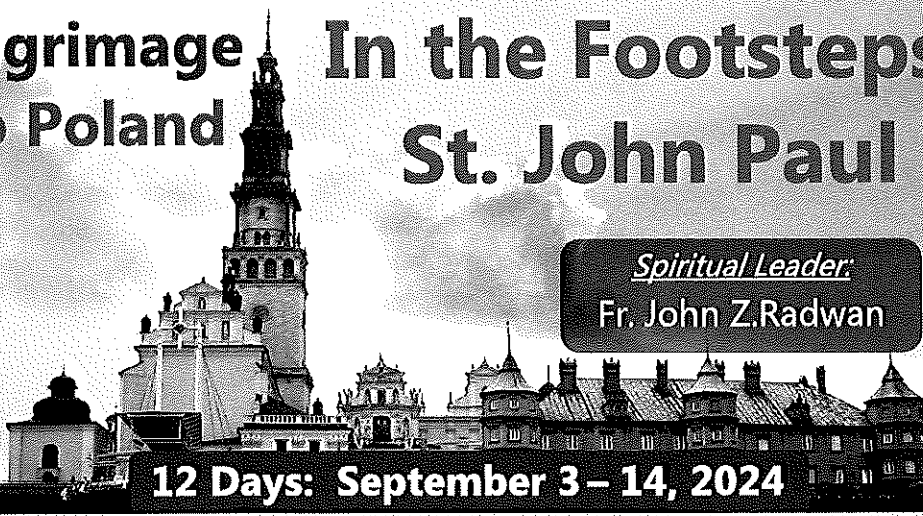


Pilgrimage to Poland

In the Footsteps of St. John Paul II

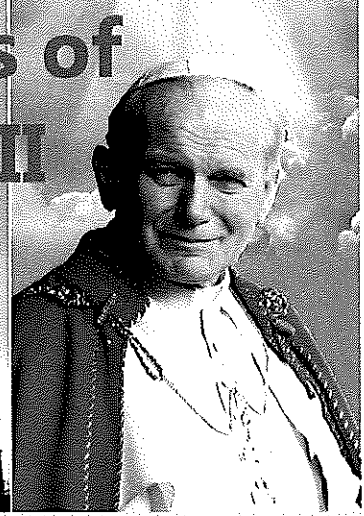


Częstochowa



Spiritual Leader:

Fr. John Z. Radwan



12 Days: September 3 – 14, 2024

Warsaw - Niepokalanów - Lichen - Wrocław - Częstochowa - Kalwaria - Wadowice - Krakow

Day 1. Tue. 9/03. Flight: Newark - Warsaw

Meet at EWR Airport at 8:30pm. We will board LOT flight departing at 10:50pm to Warsaw. Dinner and breakfast will be served aboard the new 787 Dreamliner plane.

Day 2. Wed. 9/04. Arrival in Warsaw

Arrive in Warsaw in the early afternoon, where we will be welcomed by our guide and transferred to our Pilgrimage House at the Warsaw downtown.

5:00pm - Short walk in the city centre. 19.00 Welcome Dinner. (D)

Day 3. Thu. 9/05. Warsaw City Tour & Niepokalanów

After breakfast, we will start guided tour of Warsaw: Park Łazienkowski (Royal Baths Park) with the Frederic Chopin monument, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Krakowskie Przedmieście Street, the Old Town (listed as a World Heritage site by UNESCO), St. John's Cathedral. The Old Town was

completely destroyed during World War II and reconstructed thanks to the commitment of the Polish

nation. At 2:00pm. Visiting Saint Stanislaw Kostka's Church. It's the burial site of Father Jerzy Popieluszko, who was kidnapped and brutally murdered by communist militia officers in 1984. We will visit the museum dedicated to Bl. Jerzy. The theme of this part of the journey is: *'The Church during Communism'*. 3:30pm Short visit to Niepokalanow –founded by Father Maximillian Kolbe in 1927. Sightseeing in the Sanctuary of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, which was Here St. Maximillian Kolbe and his Franciscan brothers published dozens of weekly and monthly periodicals to promote the Roman Catholic faith. 4.30pm. Holy Mass in Niepokalanow – St. Maximilian chapel. Return to Warsaw. Back to our Pilgrimage House for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

Day 4. Fri. 9/06. Warsaw – Lichen – Wrocław

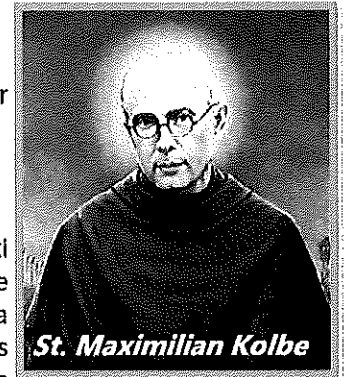
Morning drive to Licheń to the shrine of Our Lady of Licheń. We'll visit the old church and new basilica – one of the largest in Europe. In 1967, the portrait of Our Lady of Licheń received the crown of Pope Paul VI. In 1999 Pope John Paul II blessed the new shrine of Our Lady of Sorrow. In the evening we'll arrive at our Pilgrimage House in Wrocław. (B, D)

Day 5. Sat. 9/07. Wrocław City Tour

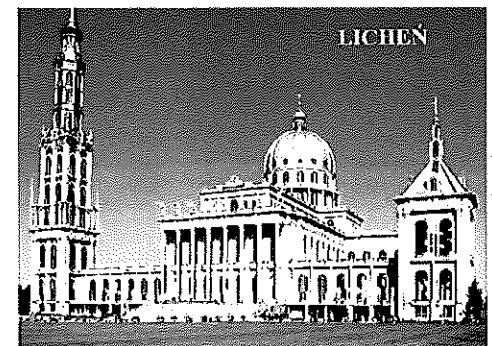
After breakfast we begin a full day city tour of Wrocław - the capital of Lower Silesia is one of the oldest and most beautiful cities in Poland. Situated, upon the Odra River and cut through by its numerous tributaries and canals, it is an exceptional city of 12 Islands and 112 bridges. Wrocław originated in the 10th century AD at the crossroads of trade routes and was first governed by the Polish Piast kings. (B,D)

Day 6. Sun. 09/08. Wrocław - Kotlina Kłodzka - Nysa

After breakfast we begin full day trip to Kotlina (Valley) Kłodzka, where we will visit Town of Kłodzko, Wambierzyce and Kudowa Zdrój. In Kłodzko we will see old town from XI century and a famous stone bridge from XII century. In Wambierzyce – known also as a Jerusalem of Kłodzko Valley, and very popular pilgrimage destination, we will visit Basilica with miraculous statue of Mary, which was crowned by the Pope John Paul II in 1980. Kudowa Zdrój is one of the best places where heart and circulation system diseases are cured. In the centre of the town there is a park with exotic plants and mineral waters pump room. We will also visit The Chapel of Skulls with 24 thousand skeletons and The Moving Crib in Czerwna. In the afternoon drive to Nysa situated at the foot of the Sudety Mountains Dinner and overnight in our Pilgrimage House in Nysa. (B,D)



St. Maximilian Kolbe



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Day 7. Mon. 09/09. Nysa - Czestochowa
Morning short tour of Nysa. Then drive to Czestochowa. We will visit famous and most holly sanctuary in Poland - Black Madonna Shrine. You will be introduced to the Jasna Góra Monastery, its history which begins in 1292, treasures and the miraculous icon of the Black Madonna, the Queen of Poland. In 1930 Karol Wojtyla came here for the first time with his father and prayed to the Black Madonna. He visited *Jasna Gora* seven times as a Pope. Dinner and overnight in our Pilgrimage House. (B, D)

Day 8. Tue. 09/10.

Drive: Czestochowa – Auschwitz - Krakow

After breakfast and morning mass we will depart Czestochowa and drive to Krakow. On the way we will visit German/Nazi Auschwitz Concentration Camp (now a martyrdom museum). Dinner and overnight in a Pilgrimage House in Krakow. (B, D)

Day 9. Wed. 9/11.

Drive: Krakow– Wadowice - Kalwaria Zebrzydowska - Krakow.

After breakfast we will take a drive to Wadowice – native town of John Paul II and Kalwaria Zebrzydowska “Polish Jerusalem”. In Wadowice we will visit the family home of Karol Wojtyla, and the church of the *Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*, where he was baptized. In Kalwaria we will pay a visit to the oldest and most famous Way of the Cross in Poland. Here in 1929, where Karol Wojtyla's mother died, his father took him to Kalwaria. In 1979 John Paul II visited the Sanctuary and garlanded the main church the title of "Basilica". We will also visit Bernardine Monastery, where you will find the "Calvary Paths", a favorite trail of Karol Wojtyla. Overnight and dinner in Pilgrimage House in Lagiewniki. (B, D)

Day 10. Thu. 9/12.

Drive: Krakow- Wieliczka – Lagiewniki - Krakow.

In the morning we will visit 800-year-old Wieliczka Salt Mine, the oldest salt mine in Europe. Walk through the under-ground salt stone world - splendid St.Kinga's chapel with salt sculptures and reliefs, corridors housing the original constructions and post excavation chambers as well as the subterranean salt lakes. Short visit to the sanctuary of Lagiewniki, where Sr. Faustina was living. Late afternoon walk tour of Krakow Old Town. Not destroyed during the II World War, Krakow is a treasure house of architecture and art since X century. Today's walking tour includes the Old Town surrounded by defense walls with Barbican; Market Square dominated by St.Mary's Church with the famous XV c. linden wood altar, then the Cloth Hall, housing of souvenir shops. (B, D)

Day 11. Fri. 9/13.

Krakow City Tour

Today we visit to Wawel Hill - tour of the Royal Castle and Coronation Cathedral, burial place of kings and famous Poles. In the royal chambers you can discover the priceless collection of Flemish tapestries. Tour of Jagiellonian University, one of the oldest in Europe. Free afternoon for your own city exploration and/or shopping. Evening - Farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 12. Sat. 9/14.

Flight: Kraków - Warsaw – Newark

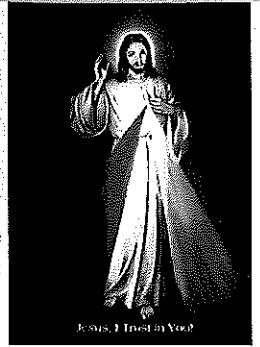
Free time for packing before transfer to John Paul II Airport in Kraków. Departure at 2:00pm on LOT flight with an arrival in Newark Airport at 5:45pm.

**** End of our pilgrimage tour****

Abbreviations: B - breakfast; L - lunch; D - dinner

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Terms of Payment

Price.....\$3,550 Single supplement ...\$490

• Prices is per person in TWIN room, min 15pilgrims

Price includes:

- Flights: Newark – WAW / KRK – WAW – Newark
- All transfers in private bus & English speaking guide
- Most meals (9 breakfasts & 9 dinners - Half Board)
- Accommodations in Pilgrimage Houses
- Entrance fees to all attractions as listed in itinerary
- * Daily masses

Price excludes:

- Services not mentioned in itinerary
- Insurance • Tips and gratuities • Optional tours

Note:

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NOTE: Our pilgrimages at times require lots of standing/walking. Pilgrims who have problems walking must plan accordingly, especially if a caretaker is required. Such assistance is not included in trip cost.

Terms of Participation

To make a reservation, please fill out, sign and send a Trip Application along with a \$500 deposit check to Classic Travel. This deposit must be received before April 05, 2024 in order to reserve a spot. Full payment is due 60 days prior to departure. Given that space is limited, reservations are done on first come first served basis. If the number of trip participants is below 15, an additional \$100 per person will be charged.

Trip Cancellation

Resignation from the trip must be done in writing by the person who made the reservation. Cancellation over 90 days prior to trip departure: deposit is refunded, 89-60 days: loss of deposit, 59-30 days: loss of 50% of trip costs, 30 days or less before trip departure amounts to loss of trip cost. Please contact Classic Travel for more details about this tour to Poland.



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