

Warsaw to Krakow: A Pilgrimage of Faith and Social Transformation

An 11-Day Pilgrimage to Poland

Suggested Pilgrimage #1 (9 nights/11 days)

Day 1 **Departure from the USA**
Depart on an overnight flight to Warsaw, Poland

Day 2 **Arrive Warsaw (D)**
Arrive in Warsaw and meet our Faith Journeys Tour Manager and transfer to the hotel
Panoramic driving tour of Warsaw
Celebrate Mass
Check-in to the hotel for dinner and overnight

Day 3 **Warsaw City Tour (B,D)**
Breakfast at the hotel
Half-day city tour of Warsaw including the church of St. Stanislaw Kostka. Also see the Royal Castle, visit St. John's Cathedral, and Old Town Market Place
Celebrate Mass
Lunch, on own
Continue with the New Town Market, Barbican, and Krasinski Square
Drive out to the Ghetto Memorial with views of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and Warsaw's Grand Opera and National Theatre House
Also visit the Church of the Holy Cross and Royal Lazienki Park
Dinner at a local restaurant
Return to the hotel for overnight

Day 4 **Warsaw, Niepokalanow, Czestochowa (B,D)**
Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out
Visit one of the most important places of pilgrimage in Poland, the village of Niepokalanow, home to the Basilica of the Blessed Virgin Mary and a Conventual Franciscan Friary founded by St. Maximilian Kolbe
Celebrate Mass
Lunch, on own
Continue to Czestochowa, and visit the famous Pauline monastery of Jazna Góra and Poland's holiest relic, the Black Madonna painting
Check-in to the hotel for dinner and overnight

Day 5 **Czestochowa, Wadowice, Zakopane (B,D)**
Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out
Celebrate Mass
Depart for Wadowice, the birthplace of St. John Paul II
Explore the museum in the family home of St. John Paul II, including a collection of objects that belonged to Karol Wojtyła and his family
Also see Virgin Mary's Offertory, the parish church of the Karol Wojtyła family
Afternoon continue to Zakopane, "the winter capital of Poland."
Check-in to the hotel for dinner and overnight



Day 6 **Zakopane** **(B,D)**

Breakfast at the hotel
Celebrate Mass
Visit the Sanctuary of the Holy Virgin of Fatima
Take a funicular up the Gubałówka mountain for a view of Zakopane and the Tatras
Continue to Villa Atma and Wladyslaw Hasjor Art Gallery
Dinner at a local restaurant
Return to the hotel in Zakopane for overnight



Day 7 **Zakopane, Kalwaria Zebrzydowska, Wieliczka, Krakow** **(B,D)**

Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out
Visit the city of Kalwaria Zebrzydowska, where young Wojtyła would come to pray and reflect upon his life and service to God. Find the famous Calvary paths, and intertwining mesh churches, chapels and wayside shrines originally built to replicate the city of Jerusalem
Celebrate Mass
Continue to the Wieliczka Salt Mine, one of the world's oldest operating salt mines. At the end of the underground tour there is a large cathedral (the Church of St. Kinga)
Continue to Krakow to check-in to the hotel for dinner and overnight



Day 8 **Krakow** **(B,D)**

Breakfast at the hotel
A morning tour of Krakow includes a visit to Kazimeirz, the Dominican Church, and Wawel Royal Castle, including Katedra Wawelska, the cathedral of Karol Wojtyła until he became Pope.
Lunch, on own
Continue with Krakow's Old Town, including the Main Market Square, Town Hall Tower, the Sukiennice, the Gothic Church of St. Stanislaw
Celebrate Mass
Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight



Day 9 **Krakow, Auschwitz** **(B,D)**

Breakfast at the hotel
Morning excursion to Auschwitz to visit the museum at the site of the concentration camps Auschwitz I and II. More than 1.1 million people (90% of them Jews) died here during the German occupation of Poland during World War II. The tour will include seeing the cell of St. Maximilian Kolbe, O.F.M. Conv., who gave his life in substitution for a prisoner who was to be executed
Celebrate Mass
Lunch, on own
Return to Krakow for an afternoon of leisure for self-arranged visits or time for reflection
Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight



Day 10 **Krakow** **(B,D)**

Breakfast at the hotel
Morning visit to the Convent of Sister of Mercy in nearby Lagiewniki, where Saint Faustina, the Apostle of Divine Mercy, lived and died
Celebrate Mass
Visit the nearby John Paul II Center to venerate a relic (a small vial of blood) of St. John Paul II
Return to Krakow



Enjoy a memorable farewell dinner at a local restaurant to contemplate and share all that we have felt on our pilgrimage of faith
Return to the hotel for overnight

Day 11

Depart for Home

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Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out
Transfer to the Krakow airport for the return flight back home

***This is a very flexible itinerary.** Except for confirmed appointments, the places of interest and the sequence of sightseeing might be changed if necessary or desirable*

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