PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND
In the Footsteps of St. John Paul II & St. Faustina

October 4-12, 2020
Optional Post-Tour to Prague | October 12-14, 2020

$3,899 from Chicago (ORD) or Cedar Rapids (CID)
Per person based on double occupancy

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Day 1 | Sunday, October 4, 2020: Depart for Warsaw
Make your way to your local airport where you will board your overnight flight(s) to Warsaw. Your meals will be served on board.

Day 2 | Monday, October 5, 2020: Arrive Warsaw
Welcome to Warsaw, Poland! Upon arrival, make your way to the baggage claim area and collect your luggage. Proceed to the arrival hall where you will be greeted by your tour guide and/or driver. Transfer to your hotel. Following check-in at your hotel, your pilgrimage will officially begin with Mass. Following Mass, enjoy a delicious dinner and have the opportunity to explore the city of Warsaw before retiring for a restful overnight.

Day 3 | Tuesday, October 6, 2020: Warsaw
Your day will begin with breakfast followed by Mass at St. James Church, iconic for its tower and square base. This church is where Helena Kowalska prayed extensively upon entering Warsaw. Also, it is where she confessed all that burdened her soul and asked for the advice of Rev. James Dabrowski which eventually resulted in the Saint entering the convent. Following this prayerful morning, your day of sightseeing begins. Your group will explore the Old Town, comprised of beautiful maze-like cobblestone streets and picturesque architecture that are symbols of Poland’s successful rebuild following its destruction during World War II. Some of the sites will include the Square Market (the center of the city filled with restaurants, cafes and shops), the Barbican, defense-like structures that have been rebuilt following World War II, and the Warsaw Ghetto monument that commemorates the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising of 1943 during World War II. You will also take in the Lazienki Park, a beautifully landscaped park, the Chopin Statue (a large bronze statue of musician, Frederic Chopin), and the Royal Castle (the official residence of the Polish monarchs). In the afternoon, visit the Stanisław Konstancja Church and view a Spanish exhibit dedicated to Fr. Jerzy Popiełuszko. This priest was a great personality of the Catholic Church and killed by communists in 1984. In 1987, St. John Paul II visited here to pray in front of Fr. Popiełuszko’s tomb. Your tour of Warsaw will conclude by returning to the hotel for a delicious meal, followed by an overnight at your hotel.

Day 4 | Wednesday, October 7, 2020: Warsaw – Niepokalanow – Swinice Warckie – Czeszchowa
This morning, you will enjoy a full breakfast followed by a transfer to Niepokalanow (approximately forty-five minutes). This Franciscan Monastery is in the community of Terezin, and was founded by St. Maximilian Kolbe. This remarkable saint was arrested by the Nazis and died in Auschwitz, giving his life for the life of another prisoner. Following your visit to this Holy Monastery, you will transfer to the village of Swinice Warckie, in Swinice Warckie, you will visit the church of St. Casimir. This historically rich parish is the site of baptism for St. Faustina (formerly known as Helena Kowalska). Little Helena received her first confession, first Holy Communion, and First Holy Communion, at this parish. Additionally, she and her family, attended Sunday Mass and other services at this church. After visiting this simple, yet elegant church, you will continue your transfer to Czeszchowa (approximately two and a half hours). Upon arrival in Czeszchowa, you will check-in to your hotel, enjoy a magnificent dinner, and a restful overnight.

Day 5 | Thursday, October 8, 2020: Czeszchowa – Wadowice – Krakow
Today, you will awake in the home of the grandest pilgrimage shrine of Poland since the 14th century! You will begin your day with breakfast and Mass at Jasna Gora Monastery. This hill-top monastery is home to the beloved Icon of the Black Madonna. Additionally, St. John Paul II is said to have made frequent visits to this monastery throughout his life. Tradition tells us that this icon was painted by Luke the Evangelist, discovered by St. Helen, and later enshrined. While here, you will have the opportunity to venerate not only the Holy Icon, but also many other priceless treasures that are contained within. Following your prayerful visit to the Chapel of the Black Madonna, you will continue to Wadowice, the birthplace of Karol Wojtyła (St. John Paul II). While in the small city of Wadowice, you will have the opportunity to visit the church of where this beloved Saint was baptized and attended Mass as a child. We will also pause at the Holy House of the St. John Paul II – Papal Museum”, which has been historic house museum since 1984. The museum preserves original structure and houses a collection of objects that belonged to the Wojtyla family. Following this historically captivating experience, continue onto Krakow. Enjoy dinner at the local restaurant before resting up for the next day’s activities.

Day 6 | Friday, Oct 9, 2020: Krakow- Zakopane – Krakow
After breakfast, we will drive through the mountains to breathtaking, yet small and remote village of Zakopane. Take a cable car ride to the nearby mountain-top. At the top of the mountain, you will truly experience God’s magnificent Glory when you look out at the magnificent panoramic view. Following the many photos captured atop the mountain, we will head to the Jaszczorowka Chapel. This architecturally distinct chapel was visited many times by the young, Karol Wojtyła (St. John Paul II). As a young boy, Karol Wojtyła often used the walking paths surrounding the Jaszczorowka Chapel for much prayer and reflection. After you experience this beautiful chapel, we will assist in St. John Paul II’s Holy journey, you will continue your tour to the colorful, Krupowki Street. While on this street, you will have the opportunity to do some shopping at the local bazaar before returning to Krakow. Enjoy a beautiful dinner and an optional stroll through the old city before retiring for the evening.

Day 7 | Saturday, October 10, 2020: Krakow – Auschwitz – Krakow
After breakfast, you will explore Krakow’s Market Square as the sound of the silver trumpet from St. Mary’s Tower fills the air. The captivating beauty of this square is largely due to the fact that it has remained unchanged for almost 700 years. It contains several buildings that hold important historic value such as, the Town Hall Tower, the Cloth Hall, and the Burgher’s houses. Following your time in this longstanding square, you will make your way to Wawel Hill, where you will visit the beautiful Cathedral, and Coronation Chapel. These are among the most important sites in Poland as the Cathedral has been the coronation site of the Polish monarchs and has held numerous pieces of Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque, Classical and Modern art. Also, at this site, you will have the opportunity to pray at the tomb of the patron saint of Poland, St. Stanislaus. Your tour continues with a transfer to Auschwitz (approximately one hour). Auschwitz is notoriously known as a Nazi concentration camp during the Second World War. Upon arriving at the former camp, you can feel the darkness and sorrow that overtook the atmosphere as there were numerous unspeakable atrocities that occurred at this site. Additionally, while on this visit, you will have the opportunity to view the cell that imprisoned the Christ-like, St. Maximilian Kolbe, and visit the Martyrdom Museum. After this reflective day, you will return to your hotel in Krakow for dinner and a restful overnight.

On your last day of touring, after breakfast depart for your excursion to Lagiewniki, the capital of the Divine Mercy. Through the mediation of St. Faustina, Christ passed on the message of Divine Mercy to the world in Lagiewniki. While here, you will have the opportunity to visit the Shrine of Divine Mercy that contains images of the Merciful Jesus, relics of St. Faustina, as well as, the Saint’s convent chapel and her Tomb. Visit and celebrate Mass at the Shrine of Divinity, which was visited by St. John Paul II in 2002. Following Mass, have the opportunity to pray by a relic of St. John Paul II. We will then visit Have No Fear, John Paul II Centre. In his speech given October 1978 during the inauguration of his pontificate John Paul II said: “Have no fear! Open wide the doors for Jesus Christ and His saving power. Open the borders between countries, economic systems, regimes, and civilization directions. Have no fear!” The main architectural feature is the “tower church” or “Chapel of the Relics”, an octagonal shrine in the basement. It contains pictures of various events during the pontificate of Pope John Paul II with special emphasis on his visits to some of the world’s most famous Marian shrines. In the center of the shrine is simple marble altar that contains a phial with a relic of his blood. The blood-stained cassock that he wore on the day of the attempted assassination is also on display here. Following visit, we will continue to Wieliczka to visit Europe’s oldest salt mine. Wieliczka has been listed by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. Return to Krakow for your farewell dinner and last overnight.

Day 9 | Monday, October 12, 2020: Return Home
After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, your group will leave for their respective countries.

OR CONTINUE TO PRAGUE

Day 9 | Monday, October 12, 2020: Prague – Orange
After breakfast, depart for our scenic motor coach ride (or short flight) to the enchanting city of Prague, a city of domed rooftops, soaring steeples, and countless spires. Dinner and an overnight in Prague.

Day 10| Tuesday, October 13, 2020: Prague
After breakfast, you will begin a tour of beautiful Prague. Celebrate Mass at the Church of Our Lady Victorious and see the renowned statue of the Infant Jesus of Prague there. Visit Old Town by way of Golden Lane and then go to the Lesser Town to see the medieval Charles Bridge that is adorned with many baroque statues. You will also see St. Nicholas Church, the Astronomic Clock, and the Prague Castle district where you tour St. Vitus Cathedral, St. George Basilica, Loreto Church, Strahov Monastery, and Wenceslas Square. Dinner and your last overnight in Europe.

Day11 | Wednesday, October 14, 2020: Prague – USA
After breakfast, transfer to Prague Airport for your return flights home to the USA.

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  ~ 1 night: October 7 - 8: Mercure Patio, Częstochowa
  ~ 4 nights: October 8 - 12: Radisson Blu Hotel, Krakow
- Optional Post-Tour:
  ~ 2 nights: October 12 - 14: Jurys Inn, Prague
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- Breakfast and Dinner daily
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