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# Fr. Robert Creagan, Kalamazoo Diocese Pilgrim Director, Invites you to a Pilgrimage to Catholic Poland

October 14-23, 2025 - 10 Days

\$4,709 from Chicago

(Land Only Pricing Available Upon Request)

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#### Tuesday, October 14 - Day 1 - DEPART USA - Today, we depart our home city to

connect with our overnight flight to Warsaw. We enjoy complementary beverages, in-flight movies, dinner, and breakfast while aloft

Wednesday, October 15 - Teresa of Avila

- Day 2 - WARSAW – We arrive this morning at Okecie International Airport, in Warsaw. Upon arrival, we are greeted by our Unitours Tour Manager and board our motor coach as we begin our orientation tour of this grand Polish city. We conclude our day with our "welcome" dinner and overnight in Warsaw.

### Thursday, October 16 Day 3 – WARSAW/NIAPOKALANOW/WARSA

W – Today, we start with a sightseeing tour of Warsaw, including a drive through the city center, passing the Warsaw Uprising Museum, the former Ghetto area with the Memorial of the Ghetto Heroes, the Memorial of the Warsaw Uprising, the Roval Route, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Following a break for lunch in the city center, we drive to Niapokalanow, home of the monastery built by St. Maximilian Kolbe. While there we also visit the shrine of Our Mary Immaculate, which houses an incredible adoration chapel which claims to be the most viewed perpetual adoration on the internet! This evening, we enjoy a special

dinner with a Polish folklore show. We conclude our day with our overnight in Warsaw.

Friday, October 17 - Day 4 – WARSAW/ GDANSK/MALBORK /GDANSK– This morning, is at leisure to enjoy the charm or Warsaw before we head north to the port city of Gdansk, an area evangelized by St. Adalbert of Prague at the end of the 10<sup>th</sup> century. On arrival in Gdansk, we enjoy dinner at our hotel and overnight in Gdansk.

Saturday, October 18 - St. Luke - Day 5 -GDANSK- Today, we start our day in this seaport city, which has exchanged governments throughout, the ages, going from Polish roots to Germany and Prussian until becoming part of Poland once again, following WWII. It was in this city that Germany first invaded Poland, so it would seem appropriate that the Solidarity protest movement would arise from these same people. We visit the beautiful Royal Chapel built by King John III, as well as Highland Gate and Artus Court, now a popular market area. We then visit nearby Sopot, Poland most famous seaside resort, with a short walk along wooden sea pier in Sopot. Following a stop for lunch on our own, we drive to Malbork to visit Europe's largest red brick Teutonic Castle, one of the many UNESCO World Heritage sites in Poland. Malbork was once the capital of the Teutonic Order at the beginning of the

fourteenth Century. We enjoy dinner at one of Gdansk Old Town restaurants. Overnight in Gdansk.

Sunday, October 19 - Day 6 - TORUN/ GLOGOWIEC/SWINICE/LODZ - This morning, we drive to the beautiful Town of Torun, the birthplace of the famous astronomer Nicolaus Copernicus. The Gothic architecture of Torun makes it a **UNESCO** World Heritage site. After a panoramic drive of Torun and a stop for lunch on our own, we continue for to Glogowiec, the birthplace of St. Faustina, where Jesus appeared to her in 1931 and requested she paint the picture of "His Divine Mercy". We view the parish church of Faustina in Swinice Warckie and her family home in Glogowiec. We then continue to the town of Lodz for dinner and overnight.

Monday, October 20 - Day 7 - LODZ/ CZESTOCHOWA /AUSCHWITZ/ KRAKOW - Today, we board our motor coach for a two-hour ride to Czestochowa, where we make our way to the monastery complex of Jasna Gora to visit this famous Marian Shrine. Jasna Gora consists of a Gothic/Baroque style church, a Baroque monastery and fortress. This is where the miraculous icon of Our Lady of Czestochowa, "The Black Madonna," has been preserved and is often exposed. We tour this shrine and celebrate Mass while there. We break for lunch on our own before continuing with our visit to Auschwitz/Birkenau, site of one of the most infamous death camps, where a million and a half Jews died at the hands of the Nazis during WWII. We stop at the solemn Martyrdom Museum, as well as the cell of St. Maximilian Kolbe, which Pope St. John Paul II visited in June 1979 on his first visit to Poland after being named Pope. We continue to Krakow for dinner and overnight.

## Tuesday, October 21 - Day 8 -KRAKOW "THE POLISH ROME" –

This morning, we visit the Church of St. Florian, where Pope St. John Paul II served as a curate, and where he lived while serving as the University chaplain. (Pending our actual Mass schedule, we celebrate Mass while there if our Mass at the Salt Mines cannot be scheduled). Afterwards, we meet our local guide and begin our sightseeing tour. Our first stop is the courtyard of 16th century Royal Castle, and Wawel Cathedral, where generations of Polish Kings are buried. We also visit Kazimierz, an old Jewish city with medieval roots which has preserved according to the original town plan. We then take a walking tour of the Old Town, visiting some of the treasures of this wonderful old city. We view the Town Hall Tower and the Cloth Hall, located on the same site since the 14th century, the 15th century Collegium Maius in the oldest university area and St. Mary's Church. There, we enjoy the ancient tradition of the "Hejnal" or bugle call from the Tower, which warned residents of the coming of an enemy. This afternoon, following lunch on our own, we ride to Wieliczka, famous for its salt mines, which have been in operation for over seven centuries! We visit the upper levels of the mine, and view chapels with altar pieces and statutes all hand carved by devout Polish miners from the same salt. We celebrate Mass while there if possible. We return to Krakow for dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Wednesday, October 22 - Day 9 -KRAKOW/WADOWICE/KALWARIA/LA GIEWNIKI - Today, we depart Krakow and travel to Wadowice, the birthplace of Pope St. John Paul II. En route, we pass by the Kalwaria Zebrzydowska Benedictine Monastery where the Holy Father often prayed and walked the Stations of the Cross. In Wadowice, we celebrate Mass in the parish church where the Holy Father was baptized and afterwards, we visit the museum in his small family home. We break for lunch on our own and afterwards visit the newly built Basilica of the Divine Mercy, the home of St. Sister Faustina's tomb. We also visit the convent and spend some time with the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy before returning to Krakow for our "farewell" dinner at one of Krakow Old Town restaurants, including a Polish folklore show and overnight at our hotel.

#### Thursday, October 23 - Day 10 -

**KRAKOW/USA** – This morning, we transfer to the airport as we make our way home with memories for a lifetime.

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