Following in the Footsteps of St. John Paul II and St. Faustina Pilgrimage to Poland & Lithuania with Fr. Mosimann June 24-July 6, 2024



PRICE INCLUDES:

- Round-trip airfare from Washington DC (IAD), for departure from other airports please contact us
- All airport taxes & fuel surcharges
- 11 nights in Centrally located hotels 4* and 5*:
- Hotel Vilnia or similar, Vilnius (3 nights)
- Hotel Radisson Collection or similar, Warsaw (2 nights)
- Hotel Arche or similar, Czestochowa (1 night)
- Hotel Leonardo, or similar, Krakow (5 nights)
- Tour leader
- English-speaking guides for all sightseeing visits according to the program
- Full board some days Half board; Breakfast, Lunches, and or Dinners according to the program
- Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach
- Transfers as per itinerary
- Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- Headphones
- 81 Tours backpack & portfolio of all travel documents
- and much more!

NOT INCLUDED:

- Personal expenses (pocket money)
- Meals not specifically noted; Beverages
- Single supplement (limited availability)
- Tips to your guide, driver and hotel staff,
- Travel Insurance; we recommend <u>www.insuremytrip.com</u>

PACKAGE PRICE







Day 1: Departure from USA to Europe

Make your way to your local airport, where you will board your overnight flight(s). Your meals will be served on board.

Day 2: Arrive in Vilnius

Upon arrival in Vilnius airport you will find your luggage and exit the baggage claim into the Arrivals Hall where you will be greeted by our 81 tours escort. After a warm welcome to Lithuania, we begin our pilgrimage with the orientation tour of Vilnius. Dinner and overnight at hotel.

Day 3: Vilnius

Following breakfast, we will depart for a sightseeing tour of Vilnius, including: Gate Dawn, the Old Town, Church of St. Peter and Paul, the Church of St. Anna and Bernardine Monastery. You will also see the Courtyards of the Jesuit University, and the Medieval Castel, as well as the Divine Mercy Shrine. The first image of Divine Mercy, revealed to mankind in the message of Divine Mercy and painted at the request of Jesus, according to Sister Maria Faustina Kowalska's vision in 1934, was painted here by the artist, Eugene Kazimirovski in the presence and under the instruction and direction of Saint Faustina herself and her spiritual director: Father Michael Sopocko. After lunch on your own, we will go on an excursion to visit Troki, the Castle of the Templar Knights. Dinner and overnight at hotel.

Day 4: Vilnius (Hill of Crosses and Marian Shrine of Siluva)

After breakfast, we will depart the hotel for an excursion to the "Hill of Crosses" near the city of Siauliai. A place of pilgrimage for centuries, it is covered in thousands of crosses, large and small, many in an elaborate folk-art style. Despite being bulldozed three times by the Soviet authorities, the crosses quickly reappeared each time. Nearby, we will have lunch on our own and then we will continue to Siluva to visit the sanctuary of Our Lady of Siluva and celebrate Mass. Return to Vilnius for dinner and overnight at hotel.







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Day 5: Vilnius - Bialystok - Warsaw

After breakfast depart by coach to Warsaw, Poland. Stop en route in Bialystok, to visit the Basilica Shrine of Divine Mercy, where Blessed Michael Sopocko is buried. He was the confessor and spiritual director of Saint Sister Faustina. There is also a museum which depicts his life. Here you will celebrate Mass. Continue to Warsaw for dinner and overnight.

Day 6: Warsaw

Breakfast at the hotel. After breakfast celebrate Mass at Zytnia 3/9 (subject to confirmation) where St. Faustina entered the convent Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy. Later we will explore the Old Town of Warsaw, walk through it's beautiful maze-like cobblestone streets and see Poland's rebuilding of ther city, following its destruction during World War II. Some of the sites which our panoramic tour will include are the Market Square in the center of the city, the Royal Castle, the official residence of the Polish monarchs, Lazienki Park with Chopin's Statue, and the Barbican - defense-like structures that have been rebuilt following World War II. Lunch on your own and some free time. Dinner and overnight at our hotel in Warsaw.

Day 7: Warsaw - Niepokalanow - Czestochowa

Breakfast at the hotel, free time for prayer, reflection, leisure. Transfer to Niepokalanow, lunch, visit the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception and monastery founded by St. Maximilian Kolbe. Holy Mass. Transfer to Czestochowa, upon arrival check-in for overnight, and enjoy a delicious dinner.

Day 8: Czestochowa - Krakow

Breakfast at the hotel and check-out. Today is a day to enjoy the home of the 14th century great pilgrimage shrine of Poland. Visit the Jasna Gora Monastery, hill-top monastery is the home to the beloved icon of the Black Madonna. 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. Saint John Paul II is said to have made frequent visits to this monastery throughout his life. Our priests will Celebrate Mass in Czestochowa. Following your prayerful reflections, we will continue on to Krakow. Enjoy dinner and overnight at our hotel in Krakow.

Day 9: Krakow - Wieliczka - Krakow

Breakfast at the hotel. After breakfast, explore Krakow's Market Square with St. Mary's Church. The captivating beauty of this city and it's square, is largely due to that it has remained unchanged for almost 700 years. See the Town Hall Tower, the Cloth Hall and the Burgher's houses. We will make our way to Wawel Hill where you see Wawel Cathedral and Coronation Chapel. The cathedral has been the coronation site of the Polish monarchs and has numerous pieces art. Also, here, you will have opportunity to pray at the tomb of the patron saint of Poland, St. Stanislaus. Following lunch on own continue to Wieliczka and visit Europe's oldest salt mine, which has been listed by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. Dinner and overnight in Krakow.







Day 10: Krakow - Kalwaria - Wadowice - Have No Fear - Lagiewniki - Krakow Enjoy Breakfast at the hotel followed by Tour Kalwaria Zebrzydowska, the 3rd most famous sanctuary in Poland. The entire Marian complex (including the sanctuary and the park) is a World Heritage Site of UNESCO. We will visit Wadowice, the birthplace of Saint John Paul II. Visit the Museum-Home of John Paul II and church of where this beloved Saint was baptized and attended Mass as a child. Next visit the Basilica of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and celebrate Mass at the Shrine. Free time for lunch. After lunch we depart to Lagiewniki, the capital of the Divine Mercy. Through the mediation of St. Faustina, Christ passed on the message of Divine Mercy at 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. We will also visit "Have no Fear" dedicated to Saint Pope John Paul II. Celebrate Mass in Lagiewniki. We will also listen to the talk by one of the sisters of St. Faustina's community. Return to Krakow for dinner and overnight.

Day 11: Krakow - Auschwitz - Krakow

Breakfast at the hotel. Drive to Auschwitz, notoriously known as a Nazi concentration camp during the Second World War. Upon arriving at the former camp, you will surely feel the darkness and sorrow that overtakes the atmosphere, as our guides share numerous unspeakable atrocities that occurred. While our visit, we will have an opportunity to see the cell that imprisoned the Christ-like, St. Maximilian Kolbe, and visit the Martyrdom Museum. Return to Krakow for some free before Mass. Farewell dinner at a local restaurant. Overnight.

Day 12: Krakow

Today will be a day of leisure shopping and free time! Starting our day with a delicious breakfast and Holy Mass. After Holy Mass, it is your free time! Meeting for special farewell dinner.

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Day 13: Krakow TO USA

Early check- out and transfer to the airport for the flight to USA!

Note: This is a sample of the Itinerary. The itinerary is subject to change.

*81 TOURS DISCLAIMER:

Occasionally local religious and national holidays, weather, traffic conditions and other events may necessitate changes in the sequence of events or the missing of certain events/places. Though every effort will be made to follow the itinerary, it should be considered as an indication, rather than a contract of events and places to be visited.







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