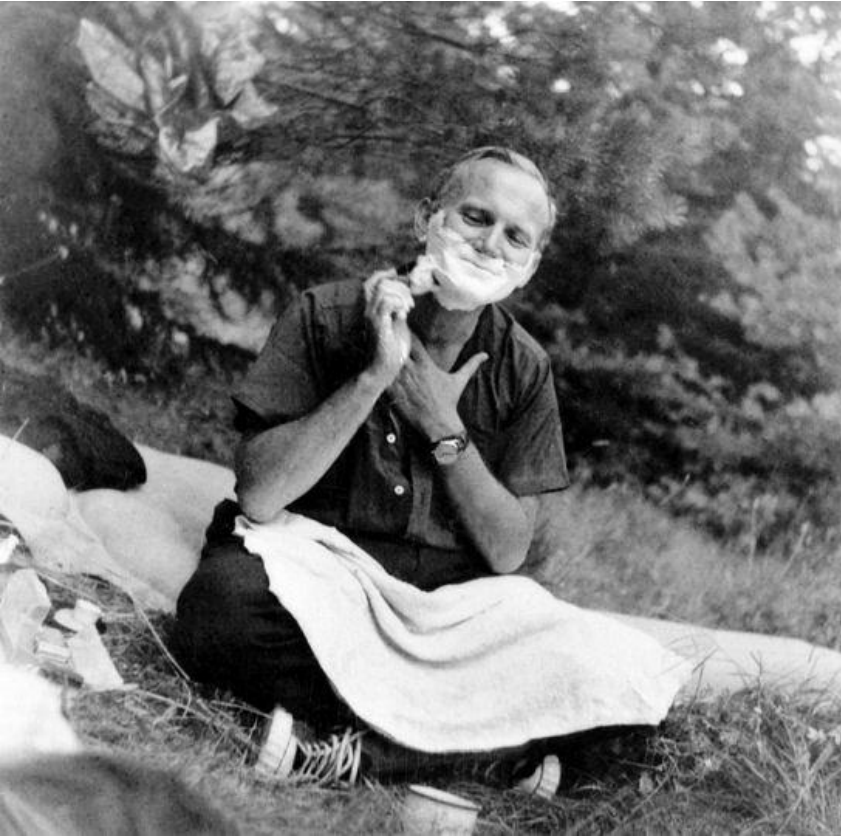


In the footsteps of John Paul II

Poland, October 2023

See where John Paul II was born and raised, feel the spirit of his fatherland, visit the most important places in his life, including the Sanctuary of the Divine Mercy



Duration: 10 days

Dates: October 2023

Accommodation: Hotel in historical center of Kraków, twin or king size beds with private bathroom, breakfast + dinner

Guided tours included:

Kraków

– spiritual capital of Poland, the city in south Poland, where Karol Wojtyła had lived for many years before he became a pope. You can see the places where he studied, where he worked during the Second World War, seminary where he prepared himself to be a priest, many churches and parishes where he worked and lived.



Old Town – walking tour – it will allow you to learn something about history of Krakow and Poland and to see all the places connected with life and work of Karol Wojtyła situated in the very center - f.e. Pope's window in Bishops' Palace, Jagiellonian University. Site from the list of World Heritage of UNESCO.



The Cathedral and Cathedral Museum

(<http://www.katedra-wawelska.pl>)

Cathedral: the church, in which you can find all the sacred remains of the history of Poland, but also relics of main Polish saints – s. Jadwiga, s. Stanislaw and pope John Paul II

Museum: exhibition contains of many souvenirs left by Karol Wojtyla in Cracow after the time spend here being a bishop



The Main Square Underground Museum

(<http://www.podziemiarynku.com>)

Very interactive museum in the underground archeological site, presenting the life in the medieval city and its rules.



Łagiewniki

- World center of veneration of the Image of the Divine Mercy (<http://www.milosierdzie.pl/>)
 - History of Sr. Faustina and the devotion of Divine Mercy
 - Optional: Holy Mass in the Sr. Faustina Chapel or in Basilica
- The *Have No Fear!* John Paul II Centre (<http://www.janpawel2.pl>)
 - Optional: Holy Mass in the Centre's church, where the John Paul II relics are





Kazimierz – the old Jewish district of Kraków. Right now famous for the night life and bohemian atmosphere. The favorite place of the local students and artists.

Schindler's Factory – the industrial building known from the movie by Steven Spielberg. Right now one of the best museums in Europe, describing the time of the World War II in Kraków.

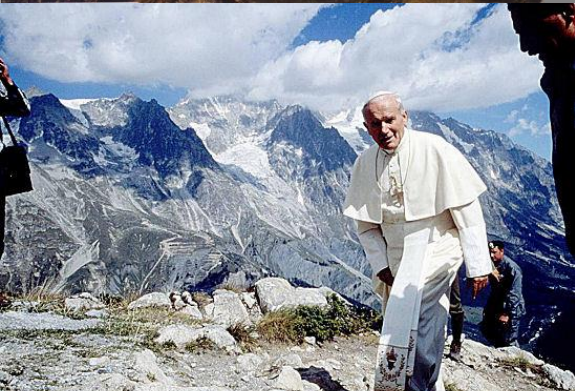


Wadowice

The town, where Karol Wojtyla was born and raised, where he lived until his high school graduation. You will be able to visit the house where he was born and lived, and the parish church.

- Visit at the Museum of Family Home of John Paul II (<https://homejp2.com/>)
- Optional: Holy Mass in the parish church (<http://wadowice.katolicki.eu/>)





Zakopane

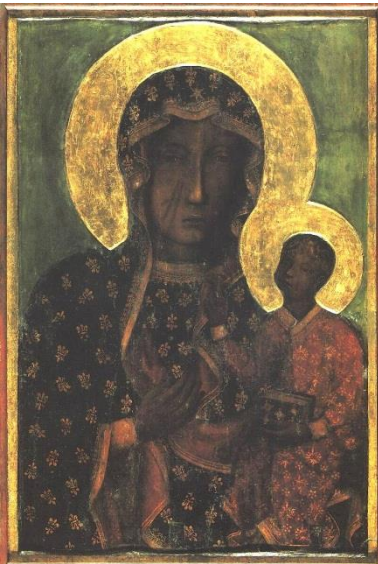
The capital of Tatra Mountains, the highest in Poland, beloved place of John Paul II. You will see the places that he visited as a cardinal and later as pope, learn about its unique culture.

-optional: Holy Mass in Jaszczurówka Chapel

- optional: taking a lift to the top of Kasprowy Wierch (depending on weather conditions)

Częstochowa

The biggest in Poland sanctuary of Our Lady, Pauline monastery which John Paul II visited many times. You can see the Black Madonna painting there.



Auschwitz - Birkenau

The biggest concentration and extermination camp built by the Nazi Germany during the WWII. Site from the list of World Heritage of UNESCO.





Wieliczka – the salt mines

Maze of hundreds of corridors carved in pure salt, object on the list of World Heritage of UNESCO.

- Optional: Holy Mass underground.

