

Your Trip Includes:

† Round-trip airfare

† Airport Taxes and Fuel Surcharges

† 10 nights accommodation at centrally located first class hotels as follows: (or similar)

- ~ 2 nights: Sep 16 18: Radisson Blu Centrum or Sheraton, Warsaw
- ~ 1 night: Sep 18 19: Hotel Arche, Czestochowa
- ~ 4 nights: Sep 19 23: Holiday Inn Krakow City Center, Krakow
- ~ 3 nights: Sep 23 26: Hotel Della Conciliazione, Rome
- † Breakfast and Dinner daily
- † Wine and mineral water with dinners
- † Transportation by air-conditioned motor coach
- † Whisper headsets where needed
- † Assistance of professional local Catholic Guide(s)
- † Sightseeing and admissions fees as per itinerary
- † Mass daily & Spiritual activities
- † Luggage handling (1 piece per person)
- † Flight bag & Digital PDF confirmation of all travel documents

\$5,847 per person from St. Louis (STL)

All prices based on double occupancy. Pricing available from any airport: www.206tours.com/airports



Sample Daily Itinerary

Day 1, Mon, Sep 15: 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, Tue, Sep 16: Arrive Warsaw

Welcome to Warsaw, Poland! Upon arrival, your tour guide and/-or driver will greet you. 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, Wed, Sep 17: 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. Here she confessed all that burdened her soul and asked for the advice of Rev. James Dabrowski. It resulted in Helena entering the convent. 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. Sites will include the Market Square (the center of the city filled with restaurants, cafes, and shops), the Barbican, defense-like structures rebuilt following World War'II, and the Warsaw Ghetto monument commemorating the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising of 1943 during World War II. Walkthrough Lazienski park. This beautifully landscaped park holds the Chopin Statue (a large bronze statue of musician Frederic Chopin). View the Royal Castle (the official residence of the Polish monarchs). In the afternoon, visit the Stanislaw Kostka Church and view a special exhibit dedicated to Fr. Jerzy Popieluszko. This priest was a great personality of the Catholic Church and was killed by communists in 1984. In 1987, Saint John Paul II visited here to pray in front of Fr. Popieluzko'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, Thu, Sep 18: Warsaw - Niepokalanow - Swinice Warckie -Czestochowa

This morning, enjoy breakfast followed by a transfer to Niepokalanow. This Franciscan Monastery is in the community of Teresin, was founded by martyr St. Maximilian Kolbe. This remarkable Saint, arrested by the Nazis, died in Auschwitz, where he gave his life for the life of another prisoner. Following your visit to this Holy Monastery, transfer to the village of Swinice Warckie, to visit the church of St. Casimir. This historically rich parish is the baptism site for St. Faustina (formally known, Helena Kowalska). At this parish, little Helena received her first confession, and First Holy Communion. She and her family attended Sunday Mass and other services at this church. We will continue to Czestochowa. Upon arrival in Czestochowa, you will check-in to your hotel, enjoy a magnificent dinner, and a restful overnight.

Day 5, Fri, Sep 19: Czestochowa - Wadowice - Krakow

Today awake in the home of the grandest pilgrimage shrine of Poland since the 14th century! Start your day with breakfast and Mass at Jasna Gora Monastery. This hill-top monastery is home to the beloved icon of the Black Madonna. Saint John Paul II is said to 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. Have the opportunity to venerate the Holy Icon and many other priceless treasures contained within. Have a prayerful visit to the Chapel of the Black Madonna. Continue to Wadowice, the birthplace of Karol Wojtyla (Saint John Paul II). While in the small city of Wadowice, visit the church where this beloved Saint was baptized and attended Mass as a child. Continue to Krakow and enjoy dinner at the local restaurant before retiring for the night.

Day 6, Sat, Sep 20: Krakow - Zakopane - Krakow After breakfast, you will drive through the mountains to the breathtaking yet small and remote village of Zakopane. Take a cable car ride to the nearby mountaintop. At the top, 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, head to the Jaszczorowka Chapel. The young Karol Wojtyla (Saint John Paul II) visited this architecturally distinct chapel often. As a young boy, Karol Wojtyla walked the paths surrounding the Jaszczorowka Chapel for prayer and reflection. After you experience this beautiful site that assisted in Saint John Paul II's Holy journey, continue to the colorful Krupowki Street. 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, Sun, Sep 21: 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 grand since it has remained unchanged for almost 700 years. It contains several buildings that hold Historic value; the Town Hall Tower, the Cloth Hall, and the Burgher's houses.

Make your way to Wawel Hill, where you will visit the beautiful Cathedral and Coronation Chapel. Both among the most important sites in Poland. The Cathedral was the coronation site of the Polish monarchs. It holds numerous pieces of Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque, Classicist, and Modern art. Have the opportunity to pray at the tomb of the patron saint of Poland, St. Stanislaus. Next, a short drive to Auschwitz, notoriously known as a Nazi concentration camp during World War II. Upon arriving, feel the darkness and sorrow that overtakes the atmosphere as numerous unspeakable atrocities occurred at this site. View the cell that imprisoned the Christ-like St. Maximilian Kolbe and visit the Martyrdom Museum. Return to your hotel in Krakow for dinner and a restful overnight.

Day 8, Mon, Sep 22: Krakow - Divine Mercy - Lagiewniki - Wieliczka -Krakow

On your last day of touring, after breakfast, depart for your excursion to Lagiewniki, the capital of the Divine Mercy. It was here that the message of the Divine Mercy originated, which Christ Himself wished to pass on to our generation through the mediation of Saint Faustina. Have the opportunity to visit the Shrine of Divine Mercy where this Sanctuary houses images of the Merciful Jesus, relics of St. Faustina, the Saint's convent Chapel and, the Saint's Tomb. Visit the newly constructed Shrine of Divinity dedicated to Saint John Paul II on his last visit to Poland in 2002. We will celebrate Mass at the Shrine before visiting the New "Have No Fear" Centre where we will pray by the relic of St. John Paul II. You will have free time to pray and reflect before we depart for Wieliczka to visit Europe's oldest salt mine, listed by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. Return to Krakow for dinner and an overnight.

Day 9, Tue, Sep 23: Krakow Airport - Arrival in Rome - Pantheon -

Following breakfast transfer to Krakow Airport for your short flight to Rome. Welcome to Rome, also known as, "The Eternal City". Upon arrival at Rome airport, collect your luggage in the baggage claim area and continue to the Arrivals Hall, where you will be greeted by a tour escort and/or driver. You will make your way to the bus and transfer to your hotel. Following check-in, you will have free time to unpack and relax or explore Rome starting with a visit the Trevi Fountain and Pantheon. The Pantheon is one of the best-preserved of all Ancient Roman buildings, in large part because it has been in continuous use throughout its history Since the 7th century, it has been a church dedicated to St. Mary and the Martyrs known as "Santa Maria Rotonda". Later in the afternoon, your group will depart for Mass. Following Mass, you will attend dinner. After dinner, you will have the opportunity to walk to St. Peter's Square, as a group, for the Rosary (optional).

Day 10, Wed, Sep 24: Rome: Papal Audience - Basilica of St. John the Lateran - Basilica of St. Mary Major

We begin with the Papal Audience at St. Peter's Square! The Audience is celebrated each Wednesday by His Holiness, Pope Francis (pending the papal schedule). Visit the oldest of the four major Basilicas in Rome, and the home to the relics of Peter and Paul, the Basilica of St. John the Lateran. This Basilica is where Pope Francis was installed as Bishop of Rome. We conclude our day with a Mass at the Basilica of St. Mary Major. Church dedicated to Our Blessed Mother, St. Mary Major reigns as the only Basilica that has kept its original structure and is an authentic jewel in the crown of Roman Churches. This Basilica contains a relic from the Manger of the Infant Jesus. Return to the hotel for dinner and overnight.

Day 11, Thu, Sep 25: Rome: St. Peter's Basilica - Vatican Museum -Appian Way - Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls - Catacombs Today we tour St. Peter's Basilica, built on the site where St. Peter the Apostle was martyred. View Michelangelo's Pieta sculpture, pray at the tombs of Pope Benedict XVI and St. John Paul II. Next you will visit the Vatican Museum, where you can see the Tapestry Gallery, Raphael Rooms, and Sistine Chapel. After lunch, continue down the Appian Way, one of the earliest roads built in ancient Rome to the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls is one of the four highest ranking churches in the Catholic hierarchy. It was originally erected by Roman Emperor Constantine I,

Day 12, Fri, Sep 26: Rome Airport - USA

Dinner and overnight in Rome.

After an early breakfast and heartfelt farewells, your group will leave by motorcoach and transfer to Rome Fiumicino airport for return flights home.

supposedly over the grave of Saint Paul himself, then the Catacombs.

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