THE BEST OF EASTERN EUROPE PII GRIMAGE

POLAND – CZECH REPUBLIC -AUSTRIA – HUNGARY



TBD (Spiritual Chaplain)

SEP 1 - 13, 2024 (13 Days) \$4,799 from EWR

HIGHLIGHTS:

Warsaw – St John's Cathedral Krakow – Auschwitz, Divine Mercy, Wadowice, Salt Mine Prague – Jasna Gora Monastery, Infant Jesus Vienna – Mariazell, Schonbrunn Palace Budapest – St Stephen church

INCLUDED:

Daily Mass
Roundtrip airfare
Airport Tax/ fuel surcharge
First class hotel accommodations (dbl occ)
Breakfast and dinner daily
Deluxe motorcoach
Professional Tour Escort and Local Guides
All entrance fees to the sites

NOT INCLUDED:

Tips to Guides and Driver (\$135)
Travel Insurance (maybe purchased directly in our website)
Drinks during meals & Personal extras
Single Occupancy Room Supplement is \$TBD

For More Information please contact:

ITINERARY

<u>Day 1, SUN, Sep 1, 2024</u>: Depart USA for our overnight flight to Warsaw. Dinner and breakfast will be served on board.

Day 2, MON, Sep 2, 2024: Warsaw

Upon arrival in Warsaw group is met by our representative and transfer to the hotel. Holy Mass organized at the local church. Dinner and overnight at the hotel in Warsaw.

Day 3, TUE, Sep 3, 2024: Warsaw

Breakfast at our hotel. Begin with morning Mass at St. Kostka Church, where martyr Solidarity priest Fr. Popieluszko worked and is buried. Sightseeing tour of Warsaw includes the Castle Square, **St. John's Cathedral**, Market Square, and the Barbican. At the New Town Market you can see the Church and Monastery of Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament and the house where Maria Sklodowska-Curies was born. At the Krasinski Square, stop by the Monument of Warsaw's Uprising and drive to see the Ghetto Memorial. Dinner and overnight in Warsaw.

Day 4, WED, Sep 4, 2024: Krakow

Breakfast at our hotel. Drive to Oswiecim to see the former Nazi concentration camp **Auschwitz-Birkenau**, where about 1.5 million people of 28 nationalities lost their lives here, mostly Jews. Today the site is the museum and is included on the UNESCO World Heritage List. Continue to Krakow. Dinner and overnight at the hotel in Krakow.

Day 5, THU, Sep 5, 2024: Krakow

Breakfast at our hotel. Half-day excursion to **Sister Faustina Convent** in Lagiewniki. Holy Mass at Divine Mercy Shrine in Lagiewniki. Visit the Sister Faustina Convent in Krakow. In the afternoon, start the sightseeing tour of Krakow, the ancient capital of Poland visiting the **Royal Castle** and **Cathedral** on the



Wawel Hill; then drive to the Old Town with the Main Market Square. Dinner and overnight in Krakow.

Day 6, FRI, Sep 6, 2024; Krakow

Breakfast at our hotel. Early drive to visit Wieliczka Salt Mine, UNESCO heritage site, guided tour and possibility of the private Mass inside, in one of the salt-carved historical chapels. Continue to Kalwaria Zebrzydowska, the monastery complex of the *Bernadine Franciscans* and see the picture of God with child, also called the Weeping Madonna. Drive to nearby Wadowice and visit Pope JohnPaul II museum. In the afternoon, transfer to Czestochowa. Time permitting, take an evening visit to Black Madonna chapel, for individual prayer at the most important Polish Catholic sanctuary. Back to the hotel, dinner and overnight.

Day 7, SAT, Sep 7, 2024: Prague

After breakfast, early morning, guided tour of **Jasna Gora Monastery** (with local monk). Possible to arrange private Mass, before guided tour. Still in the morning, we leave Czestochowa and take our scenic motor coach ride to the enchanting city of Prague, with domed

rooftops, soaring steeples, and countless spires. Upon arrival in Prague, the remainder of the day is at leisure. Dinner and overnight at our hotel.

Day 8, SUN, Sep 8, 2024: Prague

Breakfast at our hotel. We will celebrate Mass at the Church of Our Lady Victorious and see there the renowned statue of the Infant Jesus of Prague. We visit Old Town, by way of Golden Lane and the medieval Charles Bridge. We will also visit **St. Nicholas Church**, view the famous Astronomical Clock, and the Prague Castle district with **St. Vitus cathedral**. Dinner and overnight.



Day 9, Mon, Sep 9, 2024: Vienna

After breakfast, we motor east through Austria to Mariazell, the most important pilgrimage place in Austria. We will stop and see the miraculous statue of Our *Lady of Mariazell*, which is housed in **the Lady Chapel**. Dinner and overnight.

Day 10, TUE, Sep 10, 2024: Vienna

Breakfast at our hotel. Enjoy a sightseeing of Vienna, home of Strauss and Mozart. We see the spectacular *St. Stephen's cathedral*, where we celebrate Mass. Visit the **Schonbrunn Royal Palace** and view the Belvedere Palace well known for its beautiful gardens. Dinner at the hotel and overnight.

Day 11, WED, Sep 11, 2024: Vienna – Budapest

After breakfast, we depart for Budapest by motor coach. The afternoon is free to explore the "Paris of the East". Dinner at our hotel and overnight.

Day 12, THU, Sep 12, 2024; Budapest

After breakfast we will celebrate Mass at the 13th-century Cathedral of St. Matthew, we will see the Citadel on Mount Gellert, the Royal Castle, visit **Fisherman's Bastion** and **St. Stephen Church**. The rest of the day is at leisure. Tonight, enjoy dinner with entertainment in a typical Csarda Restaurant. Overnight in our hotel.

Day 13, FRI, Sep 13, 2024: Departure USA

After breakfast, depart from Budapest Airport for your return flight.

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