

Poland, Vienna, and Germany *plus the* **Oberammergau** **Passion Play**

with
Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio
Fr. Bry Shields, Fr. Dan Toof
and Deacon Pete Markwald



11 Days
August 3-13, 2020



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Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Ph.D.
("Dr. Italy")



**Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio and
his wife Susan**

Marcellino D'Ambrosio is a NY Times best-selling author and a renowned commentator on Catholic issues appearing on Fox News' "Geraldo Rivera At Large" and Bill O'Reilly's radio show to explain the legacy of Pope John Paul II. A doctoral student of the renowned Avery Cardinal Dulles, Marcellino, (aka "Dr. Italy") will be our principal guide on this pilgrimage, providing expert commentary on the saints and Catholic heritage of Poland, Germany, and Austria.

ITINERARY

✚ August 3, Monday, Day 1: DEPART USA

Depart on an overnight flight from the USA to Warsaw. Dinner and breakfast are served on the plane. Gateway airport will be either Newark or JFK and DFW. Individual add-on rates are available upon request from all major airports. Group fares require a minimum of ten passengers to be traveling together from any one airport.

✚ August 4, Tuesday, Day 2: WARSAW

Welcome to Poland! Upon arrival, we are greeted by our English-speaking tour guide and assisted to the motor coach where we head into Warsaw's city center. We have a walking tour of the Old Town with a visit to Basilica of St. John the Baptist, Warsaw's oldest church. We celebrate Mass at St. James church, where St. Faustina went on her first trip to Warsaw. We also see Lazienki Park with the Palace on the Water (exterior view), the summer residence of the last Polish King. Settle into our hotel for a well-deserved night of rest. Dinner and overnight in Warsaw. (D)

✚ August 5, Wednesday, Day 3: WARSAW – NIEPOKALANOW – CZESTOCHOWA

Time permitting this morning we visit St. Stanislaw Kostka Church to see the special exhibition devoted to Blessed Father Jerzy Popieluszko, who was murdered by the communists. In the year 2010, the beatification of Father Popieluszko took place in Warsaw. Our drive takes us to Niepokalanow to see the Chapel of St. Maximilian Kolbe, and visit Niepokalanow Sanctuary and the Franciscan Monastery. In the afternoon, we arrive Czestochowa, one of the greatest pilgrimage sites in Europe where we tour the Jasna Gora complex that withstood the repeated onslaught of overwhelming Swedish Forces during the religious wars of the 17th century. Since then its Black Madonna is venerated as the "Queen of Poland" and has become the country's national symbol. We visit the Pauline Monastery with its priceless treasures, including the Miraculous Icon and celebrate Mass here. Saint John Paul II was known to make frequent visits to the monastery throughout his life. We will have time to venerate the priceless treasures contained within, including the Miraculous Icon. Dinner and overnight in the area. (B, D)

✚ August 6, Thursday, Day 4: CZESTOCHOWA – AUSCHWITZ – WADOWICE – KRAKOW

Today we begin our day with a visit to Auschwitz, the notorious Nazi concentration camp where unspeakable atrocities occurred. We will see the cell of St. Maximilian Kolbe and the Martyrdom Museum recalling the horrors of the Holocaust. Continue to Wadowice, the birthplace of Pope John Paul II. Visit his childhood home, now a museum and the Church of the Presentation of the Virgin Mary where he was baptized. We have time to stop at a local bakery where St. John Paul loved to have his favorite dessert. We arrive Krakow for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

✚ August 7, Friday, Day 5: KRAKOW – DIVINE MERCY SHRINE – HAVE NO FEAR CENTER

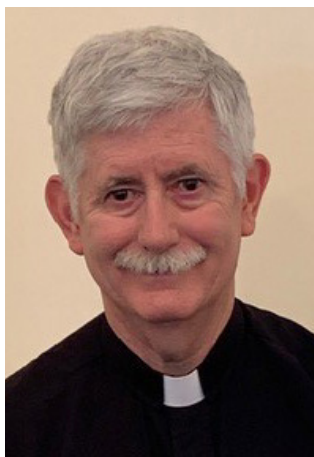
We explore Krakow, one of the oldest cities in Poland and its first capital city. The entire Old Town area is listed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. See the amazing Wawel Hill with the first Polish royal residence, the Wawel Castle (exterior view) and the Cathedral, as well as the majestic St. Mary's Church. We will also see the Cloth Hall, City Hall Tower, Kanonicza Street, where Pope John Paul II resided while living in Krakow and the Collegium Maius where he was a student. After lunch, on our own, we will visit the Divine Mercy Shrine in Lagiewniki, where Saint Faustina, the Apostle of Divine Mercy, lived and died. Celebrate Mass at the Shrine. We also visit the Have No Fear Center built in honor of St. John Paul. Dinner at leisure. Overnight at the hotel in Krakow. (B)

✚ August 8, Saturday, Day 6: KRAKOW – KALWARIA – OLOMOUC – VIENNA

This morning we celebrate Mass at the Shrine in Kalwaria, also known as the "Polish Jerusalem." We stop for lunch (on our own) in Olomouc, located in the heart of the Haná mountain region. The main square is among the country's most beautiful, surrounded by historical



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buildings and protected by UNESCO. The central streets are dotted with beautiful churches, testifying to the city's long history as a bastion of the Catholic Church in central Europe. We arrive in Vienna for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

✠ **August 9, Sunday, Day 7: VIENNA**

After breakfast, we enjoy a sightseeing tour of imperial Vienna, home of Strauss and Mozart and one of the most beautiful cities in the world. We see the spectacular St. Stephen's Cathedral, and the Votiv Church where we celebrate Mass. At St. Stephen's, we'll see the miraculous image of Our Lady of Mariapocs, tour the Cathedral and its catacombs. We also visit Karlsplatz with its Church of St. Charles Borromeo and Otto Wagner's Stadtbahn pavilions. Enjoy exploring the city on our own in the afternoon and be sure to taste the famous Vienna pastries such as Sacher cake. Dinner is at leisure tonight. Overnight in Vienna. (B.)

✠ **August 10, Monday, Day 8: VIENNA – MARIA PLAIN – SALZBURG**

Following breakfast, we depart for Salzburg, a jewel set on the banks of the Salzach River, and the birthplace of Mozart. This afternoon we celebrate Mass at Maria Plain Shrine before arriving the city of music. Salzburg is compact and best explored on foot. Narrow, winding lanes and secluded passageways are evidence of its medieval roots. The heritage of the Catholic Church is evident in the Archbishop's Residence and the decoration of the State Rooms, available for viewing. Visit the mighty Romanesque Cathedral, the Nonnberg Convent of Benedictine nuns, and the Fortress Hohensalzburg. We stop at Hellbrunn Palace to enjoy its gardens and hidden trick fountains. We then continue on toward Oberammergau, where we have a restful night and dinner at the hotel. (B, D)

✠ **August 11, Tuesday, Day 9: OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY**

Today is the highlight of our tour, the world-famous Passion Play, staged every ten years and performed by the local community members. Started 367 years ago, it is still an authentic portrayal depicting the last week of Christ's life. The play takes place at an outdoor stage, and the actors are people from the village who have prepared for their roles for many years. Enjoy time at leisure to explore the woodcarver's village and visit the Oberammergau museum before the start of the play in the afternoon. We break for dinner before returning to the theater for the conclusion of the play. Mass will be celebrated in the morning. Overnight Oberammergau area. (B, L, D)

✠ **August 12, Wednesday, Day 10: BAVARIAN TREASURES – MUNICH**

Departing Oberammergau, we celebrate Mass at the magnificent Ettal Monastery (TBC) before driving to Munich, the capital of Bavaria for an afternoon city tour. Our visit includes Frauenkirche (Church of Our Lady) the symbol of Munich with its towering twin onion-domed steeples. We also see Asamkirche, the most famous church in Munich, and the Marienplatz with its whimsical clock. Tonight, we have a fun and festive farewell dinner. (B. Special dinner)

✠ **August 13, Thursday, Day 11: RETURN TO USA**

After breakfast, we are transferred to the airport for our departure flight home. (B)

YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Round trip airfare from NYC area airport to Warsaw returning from Munich. + \$100 from DFW to Warsaw returning from Munich including 1 free checked suitcase of a maximum weight of 50 lbs.
- Add on flights from Atlanta, Mobile, most major airports available for an additional fee.
- Accommodation at three and four-star hotels
- Buffet breakfast daily
- Five hotel dinners
- Lunch and dinner in Oberammergau
- Farewell dinner in a Munich restaurant with up to two glasses of wine or beer.
- PASSION PLAY TICKETS
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- English speaking guide
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- Daily Mass

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