### INCLUSIONS

- ✓ Return International Economy Class Airfares from Sydney
- ✓ Intra Europe Economy Class flights as applicable
- ✓ Pre-paid airport/airline taxes, charges and levies
- (subject to change) ✓ Transportation by first class
- air conditioned motorcoach ✓ Professional Tour Director and Local City Guides
- whilst touring
- ✓ Inside visits and special features - Shown in UPPERCASE
- ✓ Sightseeing
- ✓ Accommodation throughout in 3-4 \* accommodation, pilgrim/religious houses, hostels and retreat centres whilst on pilgrimage
- ✓ Breakfasts, Dinner and Lunches whilst on touring
- ✓ University accommodation or Hotel in Krakow during WYD
- ✓ WYD breakfasts, lunches and dinners during WYD week
- ✓ Mass Daily (as outlined on individual pilgrimages)
- $\checkmark$  All gratuities included for Tour Director, Driver and local guides
- ✓ Services of dedicated Cosmos WYD 2016 support team in Krakow to provide assistance in all areas
- ✓ Full Cosmos WYD 2016 documentation package

### WYD Krakow 2016

**Registration package includes:** (Subject to amendment by Krakow WYD Office)

#### **Pilgrim Meals**

Two Meal Tickets for lunch and dinner; 1 x 2 courses & 1 x 3 courses

#### Pilgrim Kit

Religious and information materials and other products necessary and useful in full participation in WYD.

#### Pilgrim's transport

Public transportation within the city and from the accommodation to the center of events and places of the central events.

#### Not Included:

x Any additional sightseeing costs that have not been added as part of pilgrimage x Any meals that are not specified as part of the inclusive pilgrimages x All beverages x Items of a personal nature, phone calls, laundry etc. x Passport and Visa fees (as applicable on individual pilgrimages) x Any associated health and vaccination costs x Porterage x Comprehensive Travel insurance







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For any further information Contact your School Youth Ministry Coordinator or visit

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# World Youth Day Krakow 2016 SAINTS OF ITALY **(VENICE – ROME) + WYD 2016**



Since 2002, Sydney Catholic Schools has been sending students as pilgrims to World Youth Days around the world. In 2016, Sydney Catholic Schools is again sending hundreds of students from Years 10 and 11 to Krakow, Poland, under the leadership of Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP. Student pilgrims will be travelling to Krakow via either the Holy Land, Italy or direct via Prague. These students will be accompanied by teachers who will travel as Pilgrim Group Leaders, Bus Leaders or Pilgrimage Leaders. There will also be teachers who will travel as their own group of pilgrims via the Holy Land. After the conclusion of WYD week, all pilgrim groups will visit the birth place of St John Paul II in Wadowice and complete their WYD experience with a two-day retreat in the resort town of Zakopane

## Blessed are the merciful; for they shall receive mercy. Matt 5:7







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## Our Pilgrimage: World Youth Day Krakow 2016 with the saints in Italy

#### DAY 1 SATURDAY 16 JULY **DEPART SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA**

Your journey begins today as you depart for Italy!

#### DAY 2 SUNDAY 17 JULY **ARRIVE IN VENICE, ITALY**

Welcome to Italy! Your Cosmos Representative will meet you at the airport and transfer you to your accommodation where you will have time to recuperate from your flight. (D)

#### DAY 3 MODDAY 18 JULY VENICE

This morning we meet with our local Guide and visit ST MARKS SQUARE and its BASILICA, lavish DOGES PALACE and the BRIDGE OF SIGHS. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B,D)

#### DAY 4 TUESDAY 19 JULY **VENICE – FLORENCE – ASSISI AREA**

An early departure, where you will enjoy a walking tour of Florence, the "Cradle of the Renaissance" with a Local Guide. Featuring a visit to the SANTA CROCE BASILICA, known for its Florentine artwork and the tomb of Michelangelo. Also enjoy a visit and attend Mass at the impressive DUOMO OF SANTA MARIA DEL FIORE with its distinctive dome. After Mass, depart Florence and enjoy landscapes of rolling hills, austere rows of cypress trees, terraced vineyards, olive groves, and rural villages. In the late afternoon, reach the area of Assisi, home of mystical St. Francis. (B,D)

#### DAY 5 WENDESDAY 20 JULY ASSISI AREA

Enclosed by ramparts and little changed since the Middle Ages, Assisi sprawls prettily across the slopes of Monte Subasio and retains its medieval character. After attending early morning Mass in the Lower Basilica, meet your Local Guide to visit the BASILICA OF ST. FRANCIS, famous for its paintings by Giotto, which date back to the 1300s. Also on the agenda: a visit to the BASILICA OF ST. CLARE, founder of the Order of Poor Clares. (B,D)

#### DAY 6 THURSDAY 21 JULY **ASSISI AREA – ROME**

Before leaving Assisi this morning, attend Mass and then visit the BASILICA OF SANTA MARIA DEGLI ANGELI, situated at the foot of the hills of Assisi and protecting the Porziuncola, where St. Francis is said to have founded the first group of the Order of the Minor Friars in 1209. See the Cappella del Transito (Chapel of the Transit), where the saint died in 1226. Enjoy a comfortable drive to Rome. (B,D)

#### DAY 7 FRIDAY 22 JULY ROME

Rome, the "Eternal City", is a city, steeped in history, vibrantly alive and exciting, and absolutely unique! Your local guide will take you inside the VATICAN MUSEUMS and SISTINE CHAPEL with Michelangelo's ceiling paintings and the last Judgment. Then visit ST. PETER'S SQUARE and BASILICA. Continue with your local guide to the iconic Colosseum, and the Roman forum (entrance not included). (B,D)

#### DAY 8 SATURDAY 23 JULY **ROME – WARSAW, POLAND**

After breakfast and Mass, a coach transfer will take you to Rome Airport for your flight to Warsaw. (B,D)

#### DAY 9 SUNDAY 24 JULY WARSAW – CZESTOCHOWA – KRAKOW

After breakfast, depart for Czestochowa to explore the SHRINE and see the famous BLACK MADONNA, an image and devotion Saint John Paul II held very close to his heart throughout his life. We continue on to Krakow, a city that is rich in history and will be your host for the World Youth Day Celebrations. After arriving at your accommodation, use this time to unpack and reflect on your journey taken so far. (B,D)

### DAY 10 MODDAY 25 JULY

#### **KRAKOW**

A full day in Krakow for you to get acquainted with this beautiful city! (B, D)

#### DAY 11 TUESDAY 26 JULY **KRAKOW**

The World Youth Day celebration begins with the Opening Mass which is said by the local Bishop. This Mass often emphasises the culture of the host country, Poland! The Opening Mass for WYD Krakow 2016 will take place in the afternoon.\* (B,L,D)

### DAY 12 WEDNESDAY 27 JULY

**KRAKOW** 

Over the next three days, you will take part in morning Catechesis with Bishops from around the world and have the opportunity to encounter the Vocations Fair and the Youth Festival program.

Catechesis is preached in different languages by Bishops from around the world who will teach and reflect with pilgrims on the beatitude; "Blessed are the merciful; for they shall receive mercy" (Mt 5:7), the theme chosen by the Holy Father for the XXXI World Youth Day in Krakow. Catechesis sessions will take place across the city in churches and other chosen venues to ensure that all young people can participate.

The Youth Festival; a religious, artistic and cultural program takes place in the afternoons and evenings during the three days of catechesis, except during the Main Events. The Youth Festival is composed of open and free initiatives of an artistic, religious and spiritual character. This aspect of WYD gives pilgrims an opportunity to participate in concerts, exhibitions, workshops, sporting events, theatre events and many other activities.

The Vocations Fair/Centre is a place where religious congregations, catholic schools and universities, religious publishing houses, missionary organizations, national and international movements and communities can present their charism and works. The Vocations Centre's goal is to show young pilgrims different paths of achieving their vocation in the Church, and to encourage them to look for answers to the question of what God wants from them in their lives. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 13 THURSDAY 28 JULY KRAKOW

After a morning of catechesis, today will be the pilgrims first encounter with the Holy Father during the Papal Welcome. It is a time of particular joy and pilgrims will have the opportunity to pray together with Pope Francis. During the service we listen to the Word of God and the first speech of the Holy Father. (B,L,D)

#### DAY 14 FRIDAY 29 JULY **KRAKOW**

This morning, pilgrims will engage in the final catechesis session with the international Bishops. In the afternoon and evening, pilgrims gather for the Way of the Cross - which invites pilgrims into the penitential character of WYD. The World Youth Day Cross is carried in a procession during this service and young people follow a designated route through the city, giving testimony of their faith. (B,L,D)

## KRAKOW

# ZAKOPANE

## DAY 21 FRIDAY OS AUGUST

\*World Youth Day itinerary subject to change by the WYD Krakow Office



Krakow, Poland