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Abstract

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Full Text

1920 May 18 Born in Wadowice (Cracow), Poland

June 20 Baptised by military chaplain

1929 April 13 Mother dies

1930 June Starts secondary school, later becomes president of the Society of Mary and makes first pilgrimage

1935 Military training exercises at Hermanice

1937 Enrolls in the Faculty of Philosophy at Jagellonian University, Cracow

1938-39 Joins the Studio 38 experimental theatre group founded by Tadeusz Kudlinski.

1939 Second World War starts

1940 Forestalls deportation and imprisonment by working as a stone cutter in quarry at Zakrzowek, Cracow

1941 February 18 Father dies

1942 October Begins clandestine studies for the priesthood in Cracow's underground seminary

1943 March Takes lead role of Samuel Zborowski by Juliusz Slowacki making his first appearance on the theatrical scene 1943- 44 Second year of theology studies.

Works in the Solvay chemical plant

1944 Hit by car. Transferred together with other clandestine seminarians to the Archbishop's residence where he remains until the end of the war

1945 January 18 Russian forces free Cracow from Nazi occupation

1946 November Ordained a priest and celebrates his first Mass. Two weeks later he leaves Poland for Rome

1948 July Returns from Rome to Poland.

Awarded masters degree in theology and earns a doctorate in sacred theology

1949 August Becomes assistant pastor in Cracow

1950 Starts his publications

1951-1954 Carries on his studies, gives courses to students.

Catholic University of Lublin offers him a non-tenured professorship which he accepts

1956 Appointed to the Chair of Ethics at the Catholic University of Lublin

1958 Appointed Auxiliary Bishop to Archbishop. Eugeniusz Baziak of Cracow and in September is ordained bishop in the Cathedral of Wavel

1960 January Dissertation published Evaluation of the Possibility of Constructing a Christian Ethic based on the System of Max Scheler

1962 Goes to Rome to participate in the Second Vatican Council. Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

December 30 Designated Metropolitan of Cracow

1964 January 13 Papal Bull for the appointment of Archbishop of Cracow

1965 Letter of Reconciliation of the Polish bishops to the German bishops, containing the famous words, "We forgive and ask forgiveness"

1967 Paul VI announces the next Consistory. Among the names of the new cardinals-elect is that of Karol Wojtyla

1970 Makes pastoral visits to European nations

1971 Is elected to the Council of the Secretary General of the Synod of Bishops

1975 Visits the German Democratic Republic (DDR)

1976 Visit to the United States and Canada

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