

The Second National Congress of Catholic Action in Poland
LET US PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL OF HOPE
Cracow 17th -20th September 2015

Thursday - September 17th

Sanctuary of Divine Mercy in Lagiewniki

15.00: Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Sanctuary of John Paul II

16.00: Holy Mass initiating (at the start of) the congress - Cardinal Stanislaw Dziwisz, the Metropolitan Bishop of Cracow

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17.30: Opening of the Congress - Halina Szydelko, The President of the National Institute of the Catholic Action

17.45: " History of the Catholic Action in Poland" - Bishop Mariusz Leszczynski, Auxiliary Bishop of Zamojsko-Lubaczowska Diocese

Friday - September 18th

The Church. St. Peter and Paul

9.00: Holy Mass - Archbishop Celestino Migliore, Apostolic Nuncio to Poland

The Cracow Concert Hall

10.30: speeches of the invited guests

Speech of Halina Szydelko, The President of the National Institute of the Catholic Action

Speech of Bishop Marek Solarczyk ,The National Catholic Action Assistant

11.15 - 14.00 Session I– "A Family as the foundation of the society"
moderator – editor Piotr Legutko

- "A Family as the basic community of social life and activities of the State" - Dr. Maria Smereczyńska, consultant of the Council for Family Affairs of the Polish Episcopate, The former Government Plenipotentiary of the Family

- "Economic and social consequences of the demographic collapse" - dr. Cezary Mech, economist, former Deputy Minister of Finance, The President of the Association of Capital Market UNFE.

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"The importance of religion and family as the factors protecting young people from problems and risky behaviors" - Dr. Szymon Grzelak, psychologist, The Chairman of the Board of the Institute of Integrated Prevention

"In the search for the identity in the family, the model of a father and mother, the relationships with children" - prof. assoc. Zbigniew Trybuła, Vice President of the National Institute of the Catholic Action with his wife Małgorzata Trybuła

16.00 - 18.30 Session II - "The society in the era of civilization transformations"
moderator - editor Bożena Ulewicz

- "Modern Catholic Pole: tangled identity" - Dr. Krzysztof Koseła, professor of Warsaw University, The Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy and Sociology

- "Is building of civilization of love still possible" - dr. Maria Ryś, professor of Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University

- "Law in the service of a man" - counsellor Zbigniew Cichon, The President of the Association of Families in Krakow, former Senator and former member of the Court in Strasbourg

Saturday - September 19th

The Wawel Cathedral Church of St. Stanislaus and St. Wenceslas

9.00: Holy Mass - Bishop Marek Solarczyk, The National Assistant of the Catholic Action

The Cracow Concert Hall

11.00: "The Church in Poland, tasks for the Catholic Action"

11.30 - 14.00 Session III – "Christian dimension of the politics"
moderator – the member of the Parliament Stanisław Szwed

- "The impact of the EU law, in particular the Charter of Fundamental Rights on Polish legislation" - professor assoc. Andrzej Zoll, prof. comp. Jagiellonian University, former President of the Constitutional Court

- "Is there a place for Christian values in politics?" - Marek Jurek, politician, MEP, The Chairman of the Right of the Republic, former Marshal of the Polish Parliament of Fifth Term of Office

16.00 - 18.30 - Session IV - "Culture - freedom and responsibility"
moderator - editor Marek Zajac

- "Education through culture" - assoc. prof. of The Łódź University Kazimierz Michał Ujazdowski, politician, MEP, former Minister of Culture and National Heritage

- "Limits of freedom in art" - Krzysztof Zanussi, film director, screenwriter

- "Should an actor play any role? Actors facing the necessity to select" - Jerzy Zelnik, theater and film actor

- "Public debate, the value of a dialogue" - Jerzy Sosnowski, writer, journalist

"The Oratory of Divine Mercy" – Concert of sacral music LUMEN

Sunday – September 20th

Jan Matejko Square

11.30: meeting of the participants and the march formation (of the march)

11.45: start of the march to the Cracow Market Square

St. Mary's Basilica

13.00: Holy Mass. at the end of the Congress - Archbishop Stanislaw Gądecki, The Metropolitan Bishop of Poznan, The Chairman of the Polish Bishops' Conference. Broadcast by TVP Polonia.