

# Father Jerzy Popiełuszko

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## Introduction

The Catholic Church in the Eighties of the twentieth century was the mainstay of illegal "Solidarity". Masses for the Homeland organized in many churches in Poland gave their participants a sense of unity and strength. To the most famous chaplains of "Solidarity" belonged: Father Henryk Jankowski from Gdańsk, Father Kazimierz Jancarz from Krakow and Father Jerzy Popiełuszko from Warsaw.

On October 31 1984 "The People's Tribune" published a day earlier relayed communiqué: "The Ministry of Internal Affairs informs, that on October 30 this year in the late afternoon as a result of intensive search involving specialist groups of militia divers in the waters of the Włocławek reservoir was found and risen the body of Father Jerzy Popiełuszko". The Funeral of murdered by the Security Service officers Fr. Jerzy Popiełuszko, which took place on November 3 1984, became a great manifestation of the underground "Solidarity".

A website [www.popieluszko.pl](http://www.popieluszko.pl) dedicated to Fr. Jerzy Popiełuszko is a joint initiative of the Institute of National Remembrance and The National Centre for Culture. Its purpose is to recall and strengthen the character of unbending priest in the public

awareness. The website was created as a part of the "Truth is immortal xj" socio-educational campaign.

The above - mentioned website tells the life story of Fr. Jerzy via a virtual journey through his room. In this room are placed the objects which symbolize the successive stages of the priest's life - e.g. a soldier's cap, which is a reference to the years of the cleric Popiełuszko's military service. The Popiełuszko portal also contains accounts and memoirs, documents and the photo gallery of Fr. Jerzy. Especially, we recommend to get acquainted with Fr. Jerzy's homilies, which were preached during the Holy Masses for the Homeland in the Warsaw Church of St. Stanislaus Kostka.

An integral part of the website are also maps. The first - shows the places associated with the activities of Fr. Jerzy Popiełuszko. The second - an interactive map of remembrance, contains the information about forms of Fr. Jerzy commemoration in specific places.

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