

Wojtyła Studies

Presentation and Invitation

Dear Readers,

We would like to invite you to read the new philosophical journal *Wojtyła Studies*. As the title conveys, it is dedicated to studies on the thought of Karol Wojtyła, later Pope John Paul II. This periodical strives to better understand the ideas and projects worked out by Wojtyła, as well as how he developed these ideas and projects in his pre-papal time, namely when he was a professor of philosophy at the Catholic University in Lublin (Poland), and as a pastor and Archbishop of Krakow. He left a massive body of literature including philosophical works, works of theology and homiletics, works on social and culture issues as well as works on other topics. The primary aim of this journal is to stimulate scholarly interest and create a space for the analyses of Wojtyła's achievements. This means that Karol Wojtyła's philosophical, theological, cultural, and social ideas are to play a central role in the journal. This also means that the focus is on Karol Wojtyła and not on John Paul II; in other words, even if studies on John Paul II are presented, they must be done through the lens of Karol Wojtyła, namely with a proper inclusion of his pre-papal notions and projects. Thus, we want to emphasize what is less obvious and underappreciated, namely that Karol Wojtyła prepared the ground for the teaching of John Paul II and worked out many interesting and useful ideas, which later inspired many of his papal activities.

Wojtyła Studies is a peer-reviewed journal published twice a year (semiannual). It is published by scholars from two universities: The University of St. Thomas in Houston (USA) and The Pontifical University of John Paul II in Krakow (Poland). It is divided into five parts: philosophical issues, theological issues, cultural issues, miscellanea, and reviews. Thus, the editorial board accepts various original studies on Karol Wojtyła's thought only if they can be classified into one of these categories or are clearly related to them; additionally, only original articles and review articles in English are accepted. The periodical is accessible from the websites of both the Pontifical University of John Paul II and the University of St. Thomas; all articles are open access.

The scientific board is made up of world renown Wojtylian scholars both from the USA and Europe. This being so, one of the aims of the journal is to invite other scholars, including scholars from other continents, who are interested in the thought of Karol Wojtyła to take part in a critical exchange of analyses and opinions. In this way, the editors would like to revive,

consolidate, and strengthen the conversation on Karol Wojtyła's legacy worldwide and show that his multifaceted message is relevant regarding contemporary issues.

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Sincerely,

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