



The Holy See

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE LIFE OF HIS HOLINESS JOHN PAUL I

1912

Born at "Forno di Canale (Belluno), (actually at Canale d'Argordo), son of Giovanni

17 October Luciani and Bortola Tancon; was baptized the same day at home, by the midwife, as he was in danger of death.

19 October Baptism was formalized in the Church by the curate, Don Achille Ronzon.

1918

October Began elementary school.

1919

26 September Was confirmed by Bishop Giosuè Cattarossi.

1923

October Entered the minor seminary in Feltre.

1928

October Entered the Gregorian Seminary at Belluno.

1934

Ordained as sub-deacon.

1935

2 February Ordained as deacon.

7 July Ordained to the priesthood at St. Peter's Church of Belluno.

9 July Named curate of the parish at Canale d'Agordo.

18 Transferred as curate of Agordo and named instructor of religion at the Technical

December Institute for Miners in Agordo.

1937

July Named vice-rector of the Gregorian Seminary in Belluno (1937-1947).

October Began his service as instructor.

1947

27 February Graduated from the Gregorian University in Rome with a doctorate in Sacred Theology, his thesis being, "The origin of the human soul according to Antonio

Rosmini".
 November 16 Nominated chancellor of the diocese of Belluno by Bishop Girolamo Bortignon.
 December Nominated *Monsignor*.
 Nominated Secretary of the Diocesan Synod.

1948

2 February Nominated Pro Vicar-General of the diocese of Belluno.
 Nominated Director of the Catechetics Office of the Diocese.

1949

December Published *Catechetica in briciole*.

1950

March Published his doctoral thesis.

1954

6 February Nominated Vicar-General of the Diocese of Belluno.

1956

30 June Nominated Canon of the Cathedral.

1958

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 December 27 Named Bishop of Vittorio Veneto by Pope John XXIII.
 Consecrated Bishop by John XXIII at St. Peter's Basilica together with the newly
 consecrated bishops, Gioacchino Muccin and Girolamo Bortignon.

1959

11 January Took possession of the diocese of Vittorio Veneto
 17 June Began his pastoral visit.

1962

8 October - Was present for the opening of the Vatican Council II in Rome; returning to his
 8 December diocese only for a few days.

1963

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 September - Returns to Rome for the 2nd Session of the Vatican Council II; returning to his
 4 December diocese only for a few days.

1964

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 September - Returns to Rome for the 3rd Session of the Vatican Council II.
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 November

1965

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 September - Returns to Rome for the 4th Session of the Vatican Council II.

9 December

1966

16 August -

2 Traveled to Burundi on mission for the diocese of Vittorio Veneto.

September

1969

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December Named Patriarch of Venice by Pope Paul VI .

1970

1 February Received honorary citizenship of Vittorio Veneto.

8 February Officially entered the City of Venice as Patriarch.

25 October Began his pastoral visit.

1971

12-14 June Made a pastoral visit to Switzerland, returning by way of Savoy.

28 Participated in the II Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops in Rome

September - regarding "The Ministerial Priesthood and Justice in the World", returning to his

5 November diocese from 23 to 31 of October.

1972

12-17 June Was elected Vice President of the Italian Bishops Conference, holding this position until 2 June 1975.

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September Received Pope Paul VI in visit to Venice.

1973

5 March Created Cardinal of the Roman Catholic Church.

1974

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September - Participated in the III Ordinary General Assembly in Rome of the Synod of Bishops regarding "Evangelization in the Modern World".

26 October

1975

18 May Traveled on Pastoral Visit to Germany.

6-21 Completed a Pastoral Visit to Brasil where he was given the honorary degree of

November "honoris causa" from the state university of "S. Maria a Rio Grande do Sul".

1976

January Published: *Illustrissimi*.

10-13 As an official representative of the Italian Episcopal Conference, participated in the

September commemorative celebration at Spalato, Yugoslavia.

1977

30 Participated in the IV Ordinary General Assembly in Rome of the Synod of Bishops

September - regarding "Catechetics in Our Time".

29 October

1978

6 August Death of Pope Paul VI.

10 August Left for Rome.

26 August During the second day of the conclave, elected Supreme Pontiff of the Roman

Catholic Church, choosing the name John Paul I.

27 August Gave his first radiomessage «urbi er orbi».

3 Ceremony that initiates his pastoral service.

September

28 Died.

September