

The Sculptor Of The Statue Of St John Paul II



Mr Michał Maskiewicz was born and grew up in the village Mikielewuszczyna in Mostow region, in county Grodno in Belarus. He attended high school in Mikielewuszczyna. He studied the art in the University of Minsk (Belarus). He accomplished his university degree by carving his masterpiece - the wooden statue of *Jesus suffering on the Cross*.

He belongs to the association of Belarusian artists and carpenters. He took part in many competitions in carving in wood where he won the first prize many times.

He did a lot of restoration works of listed statues in many churches in Belarus and Poland. He professionally carves and prepares new wooden altars, statues, Stations of the Cross, religious items in both catholic and orthodox churches.

He personally is a catholic, but his works are greatly admired by the Orthodox Church. Carving in wood is not only a hobby or a work for him, but it is his vocation as he says.



