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Karol Wojtyła as journalist

Abstract

This paper is answering the question, whether it is possible to determine Karol Wojtyła with name of the journalist, on the basis of his long-term cooperation around with „Universal Weekly” and with „Sign”? Karol Wojtyła’s journalist’s artistic work esulted in 230 articles (cooperation with „Tygodnik Powszechny” and „Znak”) which appeared in 1949–1978 years on pages of both writings. Out of them, only the part of works is representing determined journalistic kinds and he constitutes the direct research source material. Remaining articles let in the indirect way establish, on what – according to Karol Wojtyła – a formation of the Catholic journalist should be like. This scientific paper has proven that Wojtyła was a journalist since 1949 and that, as a result of being the „religious supervisor”. He cooperated with this catholic paper as a bishop, archbishop and cardinal. Wojtyła wanted it to be a newspaper for all catholics who could rediscover Church as well as themselves in it.

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