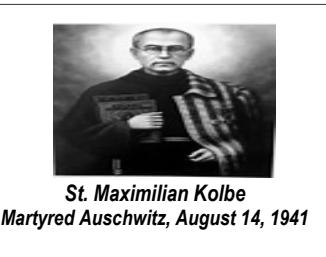


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St. Maximilian Kolbe
Martyred Auschwitz, August 14, 1941

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privately from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm daily.



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8:00 AM 8:00 AM 8:00 AM

10:00 AM 12:00 Noon 12:00 Noon

12:00 Noon 5:30 PM Saturday : 8:00 AM

5:00 PM 12:00 Noon

St. Maximilian Kolbe

August 14, 1941

He was born as Raymund Kolbe on January 8, 1894, in the Kingdom of Poland, part of the Russian Empire. He was a Polish Conventual Franciscan friar and a martyr in the German death Camp of Auschwitz during World War II.

St. Maximilian Kolbe was very active in promoting the Immaculate Virgin Mary and is known as the Apostle of Consecration to Mary. Much of his life was strongly influenced by a vision he had of the Virgin Mary when he was 12.

"That night I asked the Mother of God what was to become of me. Then she came to me holding two crowns, one white, the other red. She asked me if I was willing to accept either of these crowns. The white one meant that I should persevere in purity, and the red that I should become a martyr. I said that I would accept them both." One year after his vision, Kolbe and his elder brother, Francis joined the Conventual Franciscans. In 1910, Kolbe was given the religious name Maximilian, after being allowed to enter the novitiate, and in 1911, he professed his first vows.

At the age of 21, Kolbe earned a doctorate in philosophy from the Pontifical Gregorian University. He would also earn a doctorate in theology by the time he was 28.

St. Maximilian Kolbe organized the Militia Immaculata (Army of the Immaculate One) after witnessing demonstrations against Pope St. Pius X and Benedict XV. His goal was to work for the conversion of sinners and enemies of the Church, specifically, the Freemasons and he would do so with the intercession of Mary.

In 1918, he was ordained a priest and continued his work of promoting Mary throughout Poland. Over the next several years, Kolbe took on publishing. He founded a monthly periodical titled, "Rycerz Niepokalanej" (Knight of the Immaculate). He also operated a religious publishing press and founded a new Conventual Franciscan monastery at Niepokalanow, which became a major religious publishing center.

Kolbe also founded monasteries in both Japan and India. To this day, the monastery in Japan remains prominent in the Roman Catholic Church in Japan.

In 1936, Kolbe's poor health forced him to return home to Poland, and once the WWII invasion by Germany began, he became one of the only brothers to remain in the monastery. He opened up a temporary hospital to aid those in need. When his town was captured, Kolbe was sent to prison but released three months later.

Kolbe refused to sign a document that would recognize him as a German citizen with his German ancestry and continued to work in his monastery, providing shelter for refugees - including hiding 2,000 Jews from German persecution. After receiving permission to continue his religious publishing, Kolbe's monastery acted as a publishing house again and issued many anti-Nazi German publications.

On February 17, 1941, the monastery was shut down; Kolbe was arrested by the German Gestapo and taken to the Pawiak prison. Three months later, he was transferred to Auschwitz.

Never abandoning his priesthood, Kolbe was the victim to severe violence and harassment. Toward the end of his second month in Auschwitz, men were chosen to face death by starvation to warn against escapes. Kolbe was not chosen but volunteered to take the place of a man with a family.

It is said during the last days of his life Kolbe led prayers to Our Lady with the prisoners and remained calm. He was the last of the group to remain alive, after two weeks of dehydration and starvation. The guards gave him a lethal injection of carbolic acid. The stories tell that he raised his left arm and calmly awaited death.

St. Maximilian Kolbe died on August 14 and his remains were cremated on August 15, the same day as the Assumption of Mary feast day.

Recognized as the Servant of God, Kolbe was beatified as a "Confessor of the Faith" on October 17, 1971 by Pope Paul VI and canonized by Pope John Paul II on October 10, 1982. Pope John Paul II declared Kolbe not a confessor, but a martyr.

Kolbe's is often depicted in a prison uniform and with a needle being injected into an arm. He is the patron saint of drug addicts, prisoners, families, and the pro-life movement and his feast day is celebrated on August 14.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 13, 2017

10:30 AM

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

Readings: 1 Kgs 19: 9,11-13; Rom 9: 1-5; Mt 14:22-33

*Today's Intention = Mary Durkin

Readings: Rv 11:19,12:1-6,10; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday, August 15th, The Assumption of the BVM--6:00 PM

*Catherine Burr, Pat Byrne and Family

Saturday, August 19, 4th App. at Fatima (Holy 2 Hours) See Pg. 5

Readings: Is 56:1,6-7; Rom 11:13-15,29-32; Mt 15:21-28

August 20th, Twentieth Sunday in OT

*Mim (Pufka) Billman, Mary and David Lee

CATHEDRAL MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 14, St. Maximilian Kolbe, Pr. & Mytr.

Readings: Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27

6:45 AM Salvatore M. Moffa (Estate)

8:00 AM Halina Adamowski (Brother, Andrew)

12:00 PM Danyll Rougeux (Stan & Sue Galant)

Vigil of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Readings: 1 Chr 15:3-4,15-16,16:1-2; 1 Cor 15:54-57; Lk 11:27-28

5:30 PM Edgar L. Johnston, Birth. (Wife & Family)

August 15, Tuesday: The Assumption of the BVM

Readings: Rv 11:19,12:1-6,10; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

8:00 AM Maureen Wood (McNelis All Stars)

12:00 PM Betty McCabe (Brooks & Karen Smith)

5:30 PM Herbert Kutruff (Dan & Agnes Kirsch)

August 16, Wednesday: Saint Stephen of Hungary

Readings: Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20

6:45 AM M. Virginia Jones (Frank & Debbie Bognato)

*8:00 AM Joe & BeBe Milliron, Wed. Anniv.(Family)

12:00 PM Wanda Watkins (Connie & Mary)

August 17, Thursday: Weekday

Readings: Jos 3:7-10,11,13-17; Mt 18:21-19:1

6:45 AM Carl Drexler (Sean Walton Family)

*8:00 AM Carl T. Mincin, Birthday (Anna Miller)

12:00 PM Walt Beech, Birthday (Family)

August 18, Friday: Weekday

Readings: Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12

6:45 AM Bea Mannion (Tom & Patricia Forr)

8:00 AM George Weamer (David Lysinger, Jr.)

12:00 PM Joanna Tetanich, Birth. (Paula, John & Johnny)

August 19, Saturday: Saint John Eudes, Priest

Readings: Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:13-15

8:00 AM Barnard Family (Daughter)

12:00 PM James E. Davidson (Joyce Family)

Vigil: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Is 56:1,6-7; Rom 11:13-15,29-32; Mt 15:21-28

5:00 PM Jack Leiden, Anniv. (Wife, Sally & Family)

Remember Our Sick and Dying in your prayers.

*Jesus, Son of the Living Father,
Have Mercy on Me, A Sinner*

*Our Lady of Fatima asks us to:
"Pray the Rosary daily for Peace."*

AUGUST 13, 2017

Scripture Reflection

Matthew wants to show us Peter's walk. Although similar narratives appear in Mark and John, only Matthew includes the account of Peter walking on water. Here Matthew shows us one of his favorite themes: grace conquering fear. Matthew took an account that affirmed Jesus' divinity and crafted it into a lesson on the power of faith.

As a first step to faith, Matthew teaches Christians to leave security behind. Humans will cling to the flimsiest refuge. To follow Christ, we have to venture out into the full fury of life's storm and leave our fantasies of security behind. We know we can do this because the same Jesus who summoned Peter to leave the boat remains with us today, challenging us to do the same. Too often we let the storm drown out the summons. Perhaps we confuse the noise with God.

Perhaps we know the noise is not God, but we forget that God is stronger. Peter was in Jesus' own presence. He saw Jesus walk on water and heard him say, "Come!" Even this was not enough for him to ignore the storm. He was a sailor, and he knew the danger of a storm at sea. He had no comparable memory or skill to help him understand how to walk on water. When we pursue power, wealth, fame or ego, we fashion idols of noise, petty gods whose thundering demands allow not a moment of rest. Just as likely, we find ourselves in Peter's condition: followers of Christ and recipients of his grace who still hesitate before the commotion of the world's storms.

We may sink a few times in the process, but we can rely on Christ to teach us to walk on water. This practice will take many forms. The rookie volunteer who teaches a sixth-grade religion class is walking on water. The college graduate who joins a service corps to perform works of mercy in a tough neighborhood is walking on water. The Knights of Columbus who endure isolation and misunderstanding to promote the Gospel of life are walking on water. The parents who choose---sometimes against the advice of doctors---to give birth to a handicapped child are walking on water.

- Have you ever done something that seemed impossible? How can you tune out the noise to hear Christ?**

America Magazine, July 28, 2017, "Tune Out the Noise," Michael R. Simone, S.J.

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Liturgical Reflection...

Following the Consent (marriage vows) of the couple, the revised Order of Celebrating Matrimony directs the Reception of the Consent. The priest or deacon addresses the bride and bridegroom asking God to strengthen the Consent made before the Church. An acclamation on the part of the assembly follows. The acclamation may be sung. This acclamation could be the alleluias of the Gospel acclamation; the refrain of the responsorial psalm, the refrain to the Glory to God, or any appropriate acclamation of praise. The cantor would lead those gathered for the wedding in this refrain of praise to God. This addition to the revised rite gives those present for the Sacrament of Matrimony to publicly give thanks to God for the marriage of this couple.

Order of Celebrating Matrimony, Numbers 64-65, 98-99, and 129-130.
2017, Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, Liturgy Office, 925 South Logan Boulevard, Hollidaysburg, Pa 16648.

**HOLY
DAY**

Liturgical Reflection...

This Tuesday, August 15, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Church commemorates that Mary, who bore the Incarnate and Risen Word in her womb, did not experience death and decay. Rather she is the first to share in her Son's risen life and is assumed into heaven. As the East refers to this feast, the Virgin Mary fell asleep into eternity. Please check the parish bulletin for the times of Mass on this solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

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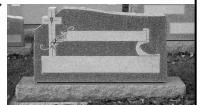
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