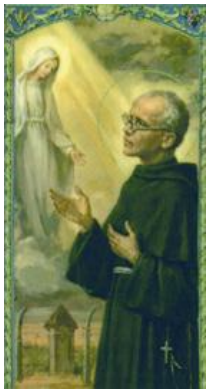




August 11, 2019
19th Sunday of Ordinary
Time

August

Something that not too many people know about me is that while I was discerning a vocation to the seminary, I seriously thought about joining a religious order. In particular, I was considering joining the Conventual Franciscans. While there were a variety of reasons for this consideration, the biggest influencer was the example of probably one of their most famous members, St. Maximilian Kolbe.



I do not exactly remember when I first came across the story of St. Maximilian Kolbe's life, but I do remember being very moved by it. In case you have not heard of his story, he is best known for the events leading up to his death. He was a prisoner in the concentration camp in Auschwitz during World War II. One day, as an act of punishment for somebody who tried to escape,

the guards selected a handful of prisoners to be executed. One man, a father, cried out in despair because he had a family. St. Maximilian Kolbe stood up and offered to take this man's place. The guards accepted the exchange and he and the others were tortured and starved. Those who did not succumb to starvation were executed. All the while, St. Maximilian Kolbe remained calm, even encouraging those with whom he was dying.

An interesting fact about his canonization in 1982 was that the man St. Maximilian Kolbe offered his life for in Auschwitz was still alive and was actually present at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome for the Canonization Mass. Just imagine what a powerful moment that must have been for that man to see the priest who saved his life be recognized as a saint. While visiting a church in Houston dedicated to St. Maximilian Kolbe, this man reported to his translator that: "so long as he ... has breath in his lungs, he would consider it his duty to tell people about the heroic act of love by Maximilian Kolbe."

While none of us will likely live a life like that of St. Maximilian Kolbe, haven't we all been in the position of the man whose life he saved? Jesus died on the Cross for each of us so that we might truly live. If we fully grasp the significance of that, shouldn't we also make it our duty to tell people

about the heroic act of love by our Lord and Savior?

St. Maximilian Kolbe, pray for us!

- Fr. Alford

Anointing of the Sick

If you are going to the hospital for surgery or have a serious illness, receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Please call the parish office to receive the Sacrament, administered privately or during daily Mass. Call Barb Scoggins at 217-498-9197 to have a family member placed on the prayer list.

Prayer List:

- Antonina Green**, parishioner
- Kathy Smith**, parishioner
- Steven Long**, parishioner
- Gary Dumonceaux**, parishioner
- Jillian Kohlrus**, parishioner
- Shirley Crawford**, parishioner
- Rene Runions**, parishioner
- Ray Roland**, parishioner
- Lynn F. Leach**, parishioner
- JoAnn Camille**, parishioner
- Betty Rowden**, parishioner
- JoAnn Barber**, parishioner
- Glen Butcher**, parishioner
- Aloysious Staff**, brother of Sylvia Thull
- Ken Cardoni**, cousin of Frances Tomashavich
- John Rentschler**, son of Ginger Rentschler
- Glen Limper**, son of Al & Betty Limper
- Hope Power**, daughter of Yvonne Brandis
- Donna Meyers**, mother of Kellie Brewer
- Julie Sinkus**, daughter of Barb Sinkus
- Jim Felts**, husband of Dianne Felts
- Jerry McCormick**, brother of Tom Walker
- Margie Lammert**, mother of Sarah Clare
- Steven Butts**, brother of Michelle Bullock
- Reba Cloyd**, mother of Anita Schwab
- Jennifer Harbeck**, cousin of Brad Zack
- Joanna Laabs**, wife of Deacon Al Laabs
- John Vercautern**, cousin of Laurie White
- Bob Etherton**, friend of Mary Bruno
- Cherie Peterson**, niece of Peggy Parnell
- Mike Geist**, brother-in-law of Ray & Sue Roth
- Craig Martin**, nephew of Debbie Decker
- David Brogdon**, friend of Don & Roberta Vanover
- Terry Douglas**, friend of Terry & Laura Horstman
- Teri Kirbach**, friend of Jane Hendrickson
- Mark Schwab**, friend of Barb Scoggins



HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

The † symbolizes the Mass is for someone who is deceased.

Parish Sacrificial Giving Fiscal Year 7/1/2019-6/30/2020

	Last Week	Year-To-Date
Collections (90)	\$ 4,673.00	\$ 31,227.67
Electronic Funds (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,013.10
Bldg. Dev. Fund (24)	\$ 788.00	\$ 1,957.00
EFT-Dev. Fund (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 818.00
Poor Fund	\$ 30.00	\$ 200.50
Children's Offering (3)	\$ 4.40	\$ 5.40
Assumption (2)	\$ 25.00	\$ 30.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, August 17th – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Maynerich, Tomashavich, White
Lectors: Day, DeGroot
Servers: Heiple, Trello
Hospitality: H & M Bruno, Egizio, Foster

Sunday, August 18th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Godar, C & G Leach
Lectors: Blumhorst, Helling
Servers: Brown, P & H Zeidler
Hospitality: Dahlkamp, Parnell, B & R Yong

Sunday, August 18th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Clare, Crusen
Lectors: Kerley, K Livengood
Servers: Kerley, A & M Livengood
Minister of Care: Volunteer needed
Hospitality: Decker Family
CLOW: A & B Toliver

Volunteers for this week: Aug. 12-Aug. 18

Church Duster: Volunteer needed
Aug. Recycling Volunteer: Greg Park
Aug. Food Volunteer: Jeannette Waters
Coffee & Donuts – Sunday, August 18th:
Jan Pietras & Diana Rowden

St. Jude Parish Weekly Confession Times

Monday – 5:00-5:20 p.m.
Saturday – 3:30-4:15 p.m.
Sunday – 7:30-7:50 a.m. & 9:45-10:15 a.m.

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Saturday, August 10th

3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass (Int: Linda Hamilton†)

Sunday, August 11th

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: Bertha Wagener†)
9:30 a Wyndcrest: Nelson
9:45 a Confessions
10:00 a Rosary
10:30 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)

Monday, August 12th

9:00 a Counting Team #2
5:00 p Confessions
5:30 p Mass (Int: Carol J. Gadert†)

Tuesday, August 13th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Raymond Engeling)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary

Wednesday, August 14th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Hope Power)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
1:00 p Ladies Tea/Bunco
6:00 p Vigil Mass (Int: Mary Kates †)
6:30 p Pre-Jordan

Thursday, August 15th

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Office Closed
7:00 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)
7:30 a Scriptural Rosary
6:00 p Mass (Int: All Souls†)
7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Bertha Wagener†)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary

Saturday, August 17th

1:00 p Sew-N-Sews
3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass (Int: Joyce Hogan†)

Sunday, August 18th

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: Hope Power)
9:30 a Wyndcrest: Volunteer needed
9:45 a Confessions
10:00 a Rosary
10:30 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Aug. 11th–Aug. 18th

Sunday: WIS 18:6-9 HEB 11:1-2, 8-19
LK 12:32-48

Monday: DT 10:12-22 MT 17:22-27

Tuesday: DT 31:1-8 MT 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: DT 34:1-12 MT 18:15-20
Vigil Mass: 1CHR 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2
1COR 15:54B-57 LK 11:28

Thursday: RV 11:19A; 12:1-6A, 10AB
1COR 15:20-27 LK 1:39-56

Friday: JOS 24:1-13 MT 19:3-12

Saturday: JOS 24:14-29 MT 19:13-15

Sunday: JER 38:4-6, 8-10 HEB 12:1-4
LK 12:49-53

Upcoming Parish Meetings/Events

Aug. 13 – 6:30 p.m. – Pre-Jordan
Aug. 14 – 1:00 – Ladies Tea/Bunco
Aug. 15 – Office closed – Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Aug. 17 – 1:00 – Sew-n-Sews
Aug. 20 – 7:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus meeting
Aug. 22, 29 – 7:00 p.m. – Men’s Prayer Group

→PSR NEWS←



Our new PSR year will begin on Wednesday, September 4th. We will begin our new PSR year by sharing a meal together.

On the first night of PSR at 5:30, a meal of mostaccioli, salad and dessert will be served to all PSR students, PSR teachers, PSR aides and their families. At 6:30 parents will meet with Father for parent orientation while the students go to their PSR classes.

There are signup sheets on the table in the back of the Church for you to let us know how many of your family will be coming for dinner. (We would hate to run out of food.) There are also signup sheets for anyone who would like to help prepare/serve the meal and for anyone who would like to make a dessert.

We can't wait to see all of you at our opening night dinner. If you have forgotten to register your child for PSR, don't worry -- it is never too late to register. We are looking forward to a great year of sharing faith with our young people.



All are welcome to join the **St. Jude's sew-n-sews** group! Saturday, August 17th. Bring a project, enjoy some snacks and good company! Hope to see you & bring a friend!



Pre-Jordan Class.

Your child's baptism is a time for celebration and joy. And, naturally, you want the best for your child. We want to help you plan and prepare for the baptism in the best possible way. Therefore, our next Pre-Jordan Class will be on **Tuesday, August 13th at**

6:30 p.m. in the parish center. If you plan to attend, please call or e-mail Deacon Tom at 498-8651 or twalker@dio.org.

ROCHESTER CHURCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE



Our schedule for this Sunday, August 11th, the Coed team will play First United Methodist on Field 2 at 1:45 p.m. The Men's team will play

Sherman United Methodist on Field 2 for the Championship. Come out and cheer them on!

Any men, women, or high school students interested in playing can sign up in the back of the Church or contact Barry Houmes at 971-1631. **Adult players (over 18 years of age) must have attended a Protecting God's Children session.**

Called to serve in the diaconate? Come and see. All men discerning a vocation to the diaconate are invited to a weekend experience at the Villa Maria Catholic Retreat and Conference Center, Friday, September 13th (4:00 p.m.) thru Saturday, September 14th (2:00 p.m.). During the weekend, you will meet the men and their wives who are currently in formation, attend a Mass with the deacon candidates and wives, you will participate in the Liturgy of the hours Morning and Evening Prayer. Wives of men discerning a vocation to the diaconate are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. For more information, visit dio.org/diaconate, or contact Deacon David Sorrell, Director at dsorrell@dio.org.



St. Jude Ladies Tea/Bunco

The Ladies Tea/Bunco will be held on Wednesday, August 14th from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm in the parish center. Come share fellowship, delicious refreshments and Bunco (or learn how to play). All women of the parish and community are invited to attend. **Bring a friend!**

Calling All PRO-LIFERS to the State Fair

We need your help staffing the Springfield Right to Life educational booth at the Illinois State Fair. The booth is a fun and engaging way to share the pro-life message and educate people on the sanctity of human life. We need around 50 volunteers to ensure the booth is staffed August 8–18 from 8:30a–6:30p each day. We'd like to have 2–3 volunteers per shift. A ticket for entry to the fair will be provided. Teens are welcome and encouraged to volunteer.

For more information and to sign up for shifts please call the Springfield Right to Life office at 217-523-2700 or email us at info@springfieldrtl.org.

The Pregnancy Care Center of Springfield, Inc.

invites you to attend its 3rd Annual Trivia Night on Saturday, September 7th, 2019 at the St. John's Hospital Prairie Heart Institute: Dove Conference Center. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and Trivia will begin at 7:00 p.m. This year's theme is "Pop Culture" and tickets are \$20 per person or \$160 for a table of 8. Beer, Wine, Soda and Water will be available for purchase at the event. Registration for the event can be done by calling the Center at 525-5630 or online at www.myegiving.com/app/giving/pregnancycare or through the Pregnancy Care Center of Springfield Facebook page.



Discover more about yourself and your spouse as you grow more deeply in love on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The Weekend is a great boost for awareness and communication

techniques that bring back the closeness of your dating days. The next weekends are August 9-11 or September 27-29, 2019 at the courtyard Marriott in St. Peters, MO. If you would like to apply or get more information, go to <https://stl-wme.org/schedule.php> or call 1-314-649-7317.

RECYCLING CANS FOR ST. PATRICK SCHOOL



Don't forget to save your aluminum cans, bag them and bring them to the brown wooden box at the front of the Parish Center. Volunteers take them in to the Recycling Center and all monies are donated to St. Patrick School!

Please remember that only clean aluminum cans are to be placed in the box. Thank you.



FOR ST. MARTIN De PORRES

Each Sunday you are invited to bring non-perishable food items to mass and place them in the baskets as you enter the Church. All food is taken to St. Martin de Porres Center in Springfield to help their great mission to feed the poor and hungry.

Volunteers take the food in weekly to the Center.

St. Louise de Marillac

BUNCO PARTY

St. Agnes Parish Hall

Sunday, August 18th from 1-4

Bunco, lunch, drinks & dessert

Raffle items & 50/50 drawing

Pay at the door \$10

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

To make reservations, call 971-1642 or email

jstatham62@att.net by August 14th

Seating is limited so make your reservations early

Men are welcome

Emails will receive confirmation of their reservation

Proceeds go to

Catholic Charities Children's Programs

Holy Hour for Parents Whose Children are Away from the Faith

Join us for Eucharistic Adoration and prayer for our children who are no longer practicing their Catholic faith. All are welcome!

Tuesday, August 27th - 7:00PM in the Cathedral

Coffee with Clergy

Join us for coffee and the opportunity to ask Father House any questions you might have regarding the faith.

Tuesday, August 27th - 10:00-11:30am, Cathedral School basement