



Holy Family Parish

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 29th August 2021



FIRST READING : Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8;

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 14(15):2-5;

℟ *The just will live in the presence of the Lord.*

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault, he who acts with justice, and speaks the truth from his heart, he who does not slander with his tongue. ℟

He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. ℟

He who keeps his pledge, come what may, who takes no interest on a loan, and accepts no bribes against the innocent, such a man will stand firm forever. ℟

SECOND READING : James 1:17-18,21-22,27;

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created. Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves. Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

GOSPEL : Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23;

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture: This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

God hates those who
praise themselves.

Pope St Clement I

"All who undertake to teach must be endowed with deep love, the greatest of patience and most of all, profound humility. They must perform their work with earnest zeal. Then, through their humble prayers, the Lord will find them worthy to become fellow workers with Him in the cause of truth."

St Joseph Calasanz

"The greatest sin today is that men have lost the sense of sin."

Pope Ven Pius XII

"External devotions are useless, if we do not abandon our sins; because otherwise we cannot please God."

St Alphonsus Liguori

"IF WE SECRETLY FEEL A DESIRE TO APPEAR GREATER OR BETTER THAN OTHERS, WE MUST REPRESS IT AT ONCE."

St Teresa of Avila

"A humble person, whether he is laughed at or esteemed, or praised, or blamed, whether he is honoured or despised, whether people pay attention to him or pass him by, it is all the same to him."

~St. John Vianney

"Remember to consider only Christ in the person of the poor. Serve them always as you would serve Christ himself."

St Jeanne-Antide Thouret

DO NOT WASTE THIS LIFE IN VAIN PURSUITS.

ST ISAAC THE SYRIAN

"Choose your friends and companions among the people who are known to be good; in fact, choose the best among them. As you associate with them, imitate the best in them and avoid their shortcomings; we all have those."

Saint John Bosco

If then we have Angels, let us be sober, as though we were in the presence of tutors; for there is a demon present also.

St John Chrysostom

"Apart from the cross, there is no other ladder by which we may get to heaven."

St Rose of Lima

"God commands you to pray, but He forbids you to worry."

St John Mary Vianney

"The things of this world do not remain constantly with us, for if we do not leave them before we actually die, in death at least we all infallibly depart as empty-handed as we came."

- St Philip Neri

"SINCE THE SOUL IS MORE NOBLE THAN THE BODY AND GOD INCOMPARABLY MORE NOBLE THAN THE WORLD CREATED BY HIM, HE WHO VALUES THE BODY MORE THAN THE SOUL AND THE WORLD CREATED BY GOD MORE THAN THE CREATOR HIMSELF IS SIMPLY A WORSHIPPER OF IDOLS."

ST MAXIMOS THE CONFESSOR

It is not to remain in a golden ciborium that He comes down each day from Heaven, but to find another Heaven - the Heaven of our soul in which He takes delight.

St Therese of Lisieux

Fill yourself with confidence. The mother we have is the Mother of God, the Most Blessed Virgin, the Queen of Heaven and Earth.

St Josemaria Escriva

SHOW THE GREAT LOVE YOU HAVE FOR JESUS BY BEING EAGER TO TALK WITH HIM IN PRAYER.

St John Baptist De la Salle

AT THE HOUR OF DEATH YOU WILL REGRET HAVING WASTED SO MUCH TIME TO YOUR SOUL'S DETRIMENT.

ST JOHN BOSCO

PRAYER IN DISCOURAGEMENT

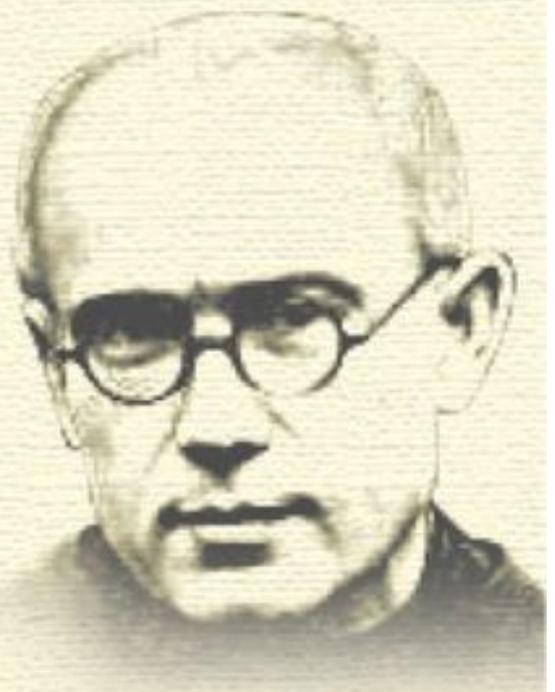
MY JESUS, relieve me of my discouragement.

My devotion has vanished; spiritual thoughts no longer soothe my troubled soul. Even the remembrances of Your passion and of Your Blessed Mother grow dim before my vision. O Jesus, do not forsake me. Help me, help me! I am resolved not to omit a single one of my devotions. Hear me, O my God, strengthen and increase my faith. Keep me from yielding to temptation. You said, "My yoke is sweet; my burden is light." Have mercy on me, for wheresoever I turn I see only obstacles and difficulties. Were my faith strong I would accept my trials; but alas, I feel only impatience, doubt and discouragement. My soul, hold fast to Jesus. How faint-hearted and childish I am! All my comfort, all my joy must come from You. Bring me closer to You when temptations assail me. Help me not to fail. O Lord, my God, I cast myself entirely into Your Hands. Worn out by the struggle, I will rest beneath Your cross; pray for me in my desolation of soul.

JESUS, BE MERCIFUL TO ME. **AMEN.**

St Maximilian Kolbe

Priest hero of a death camp



“Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did.”

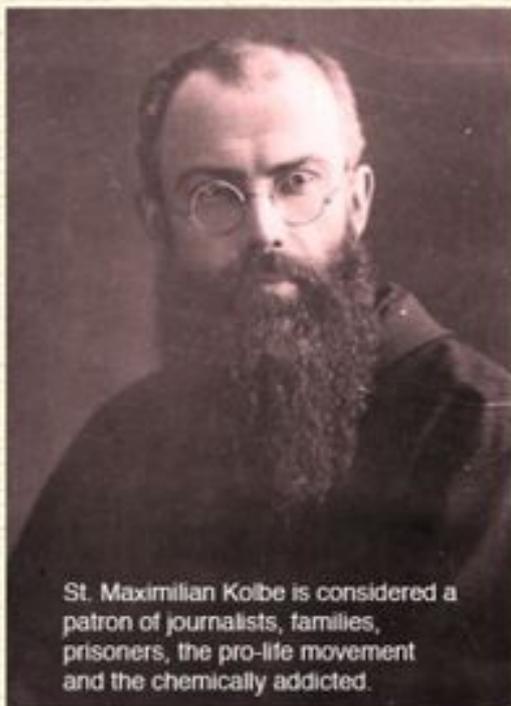
St. Maximilian Kolbe, inspires us with his unique Mariology and apostolic mission, which is to bring all souls to the Sacred Heart of Christ through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Christ's most pure, efficient, and holy instrument of evangelization – especially those most estranged from the Church.

Date of birth: January 8, 1894

Birthplace: Zdunska Wola, Poland

Died: August 14, 1941 in Auschwitz

Age: 47



St. Maximilian Kolbe is considered a patron of journalists, families, prisoners, the pro-life movement and the chemically addicted.

Feast day | 4 August

1894

Raymund Kolbe was born in Zdunska Wola on January 8, the second son of Julius Kolbe and Maria Dabrowska.

1906

He had a vision of the Virgin Mary which changed his life. He asked Mary what was to become of him, and learned that he was to become a martyr. He accepted this.



1910

He joined the Franciscan order and took the name Maximilian.

1914

He was sent to study in Rome.

1917

He started a magazine called *"The Knight of the Immaculata"* so that more people would know about Mother Mary.

1918

Maximilian was ordained a priest on April 28. When he took his vows to become a priest he added "Mary" to his name. He returned to Poland the following year. He began to suffer from tuberculosis.

1927

He established an evangelization center near Warsaw called the *"City of the Immaculata."*

By 1939, the City had expanded from eighteen friars to an incredible 650, making it the largest Catholic religious house in the world.

1930

Maximilian travelled to Japan, where he founded a monastery at the outskirts of Nagasaki, a Japanese paper, and a seminary.

1936

He returned to Poland. He was seriously ill by this time, but continued his work.

1939

The Second World War began. Maximilian provided shelter to refugees from Greater Poland, including 2,000 Jews whom he hid from Nazi persecution.

1941

On February 17, he was arrested and imprisoned in the Pawiak prison.

On May 28, he was transferred to Auschwitz death camp.

There he offered his life for another prisoner and was condemned to slow death in a starvation bunker.

On August 14, his impatient captors ended his life with a fatal injection.

1982

Pope John Paul II canonized Maximilian as a "martyr of charity".

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Litany of Humility

O Jesus! meek and humble of heart, Hear me.

From the desire of being esteemed,

Deliver me, Jesus.

From the desire of being loved....."

From the desire of being extolled....."

From the desire of being honored....."

From the desire of being praised....."

From the desire of being preferred to others....."

From the desire of being consulted....."

From the desire of being approved....."

From the fear of being humiliated....."

From the fear of being despised....."

From the fear of suffering rebukes....."

From the fear of being calumniated....."

From the fear of being forgotten....."

From the fear of being ridiculed....."

From the fear of being wronged....."

From the fear of being suspected....."

That others may be loved more than I,

Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be esteemed more than I....."

That, in the opinion of the world, others may
increase and I may decrease....."

That others may be chosen and I set aside....."

That others may be praised and I unnoticed....."

That others may be preferred to me in everything....."

That others may become holier than I, provided
that I may become as holy as I should....."

**"HOW IS IT POSSIBLE TO OFFEND A GOD
SCOURGED, A GOD CROWNED WITH THORNS, A GOD
CRUCIFIED FOR US? AND HOW IS IT POSSIBLE
THAT, SERIOUSLY PONDERING THESE TRUTHS OF
FAITH, WE CAN YET OFFEND GOD?"**

ST PAUL OF THE CROSS

**"This I say, because God showed me somewhat of His
truth, in order that I might know what man is without
Him; that is, when the soul is found in mortal sin, at that
time, it is so monstrous and horrible to behold, that it is
impossible to imagine anything equally so."**

ST CATHERINE OF GENOVA

You too my son, how long will you be negligent?
What is the limit of your negligence? As it was last year, so
it is this year; as it was yesterday, so it is today. As long as
you are negligent, there will be no progress for you.

St Pachomius the Great

Our prayers and sympathies are with Sela and family as they mourn the sudden loss of their husband and father Alan. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him, May he rest in peace. Amen

NEXT SUNDAY:

5th September 2021

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 35:4-7; James 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37;

PARISH ROSTERS

Please note: the Liturgy, Church Cleaning and Sunday Cup of Tea Rosters are all on hold while we are in Level 4.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

30 Aug: Josie Eade, Eugenia Reyes
31 Aug: Francis Karl, Anthony Doherty,
Ellen Matthew, Sebastian Cross
1 Sep: Hilda Strong, John Honeycombe
3 Sep: Tom Waru, Kathleen Blokker
4 Sep: Olga Katavich

PARISH FINANCES

Parish	\$1,416.67
Priests	\$708.33
Total AP's and Cash	\$2,125.00

HOLY FAMILY NOTICES

Mass times while we are in Level 4:
All Masses will be live streamed on the Parish and Fr Jeremy's Facebook Pages at **9am**

(Please note: this includes Sunday)

The Diocese continues to air the Sunday Mass on Shine TV at 2.00 pm on free to air Channel 25 or Sky TV 201

QUIZ NIGHT: **Please note:** the Quiz night for now has been postponed till a later date.

PARISH ACTIVITIES: All Parish activities are postponed while we are in Level 4. We will update you when they will start again.

FORMED: It is an online *Resource Centre* of Catholic Formational videos. Formed has hundreds of talks, presentations, courses, and shows on a multitude of Catholic topics. ** FORMED is FREE for HOLY FAMILY PARISHIONERS **

Please email hffparish@xtra.co.nz to obtain the login details.

Spiritual Communion Prayer:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

**I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.**

Amen.