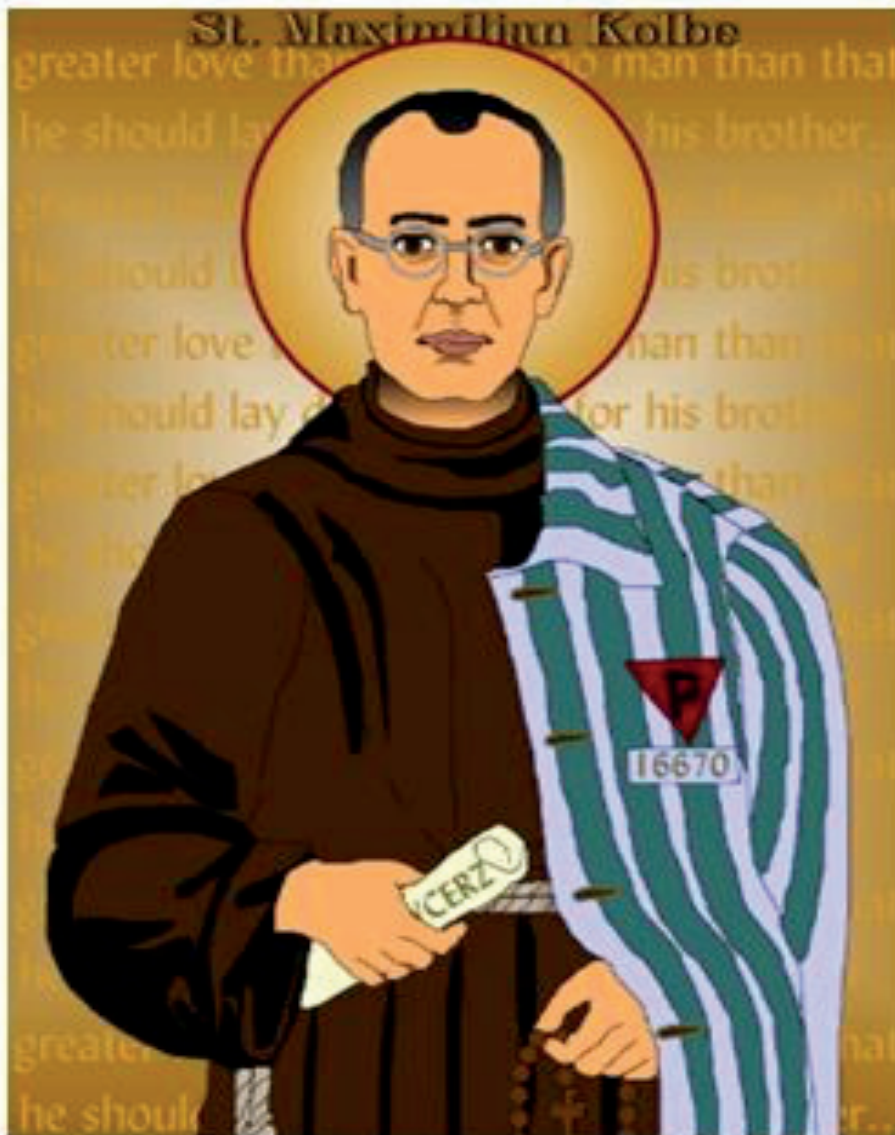


# ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

A Parish of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston



## Weekend Masses

**Saturday 5 pm Vigil Mass**

**Sunday**

**8 am**

**10 am**

**12 Noon**

## Daily Mass

**8:30 am Monday**

**6:30 pm Tuesday**

**8:30 am: Wed.- Friday**

## Confessions

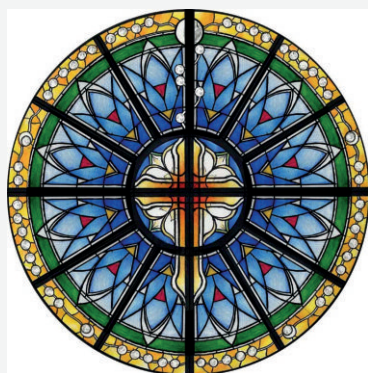
**30 minutes prior to  
Tuesday 6:30 pm Mass**

**After Friday 8:30 am Mass**

**Saturday: 3 pm—4:30 pm**

**Or by appointment: 281-955-7324.**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY  
MAY 28, 2023**



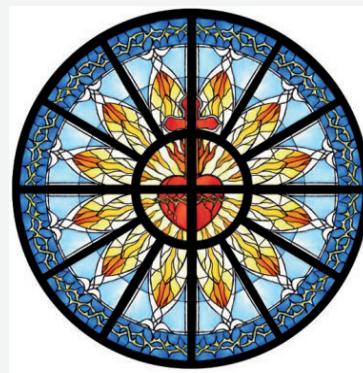
**Parish Office Hours  
Monday – Friday 9 am – 5 pm**

**10135 West Road  
Houston, TX 77064**

**Parish Office: 281-955-7324**

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**Email: [www.stmaximilian.org](http://www.stmaximilian.org)  
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**The Very Reverend Lawrence W. Jozwiak, E.V., J.C.L., Pastor  
Deacon Dennis Hayes • Deacon Steve Klak • Deacon John Naber  
Deacon David Persich • Deacon Matt Rust • Deacon Joe Weir**

## OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*We are the Christian Community of Saint Maximilian Kolbe, a Catholic parish of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. Embracing our many and diverse gifts, we are united in Christ Jesus. Challenged by the teachings of Our Lord, and inspired by the example of our Patron, we strive to serve God, and to minister to others, in prayer, sacrament, faith formation, and charity.*

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Janis Echeverria (Facilitator)  
 Patricia Fahy (Recorder)  
 John Garcia  
 Dennis Taylor  
 Esteban Teran  
 John Syzdek  
 Jeanette Coury  
 Leslie Escobar  
 Jan Hains  
 Edward Lock  
 Thomas Spjut

### PARISH STAFF

Mary Alice Greaney—Music Director  
 Molly Smith—Director of Evangelization & Catechesis  
 Chris Wuenscher—Coordinator of Youth Ministry  
 Janice Burns—Faith Formation Assistant & Baptismal Coordinator  
 Eileen Mace—Kolbe Kids EC Program Director  
 Beth Jones—Parish Business Manager  
 Phyllis Schoelman—Parish Secretary  
 Miguel Perdomo—Maintenance; Lupe Mendez—Custodian

### FINANCE COUNCIL

Sean Kennedy  
 David Ricke  
 Bob Charnock  
 Mark Kohlschmidt (Facilitator)  
 Evie Ornelaz  
 Thomas Nelson  
 Mauricio Antunez  
 Paul Hains  
 Rosa Elena Barragan-Ojeda  
 Madelyn Henderson

### SACRAMENT of BAPTISM:

**ADULT BAPTISM:** Adults who desire to become Catholic will participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

**INFANT BAPTISM** (under the age of 7 years old): We celebrate Infant Baptism on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month. Parents of infants to be baptized are to attend Baptismal classes, preferably before the child is born. Godparents are encouraged to attend but are not required.

### SACRAMENT of CONFIRMATION:

Adults and older youth who have not been Confirmed should contact the parish office.

### SACRAMENT of MARRIAGE

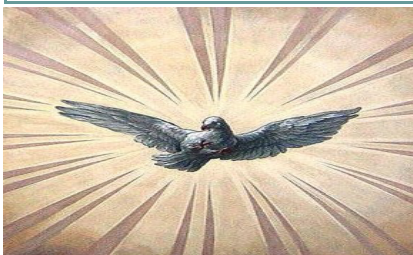
Couples who are considering marriage are to contact the parish office, at least six (6) months (preferably earlier) before the couple's projected wedding date.

### SACRAMENT of ANOINTING of the SICK:

Any Catholic who is to have surgery due to a serious illness OR whose health is seriously impaired due to a serious illness or old age should be anointed ASAP, preferably before going to the hospital. Contact ASAP a priest to schedule an anointing.

**"Praying the Holy Rosary daily in the family guarantees that in that family the oil of faith and joy never runs out, but flows out of the life of its members who are in communion with God."**

*Pope Francis*



### Qualifications to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC's—lay distributors) OR a Lector / Reader.

- Have Baptism, Confirmation & Holy Communion
- Person of genuine Eucharistic faith.
- Living exemplary Catholic lives (including "regular" confession, i.e., going to confession at least once a year for your grave sins—Canon 989).
- If married, your marriage must be recognized by the Church.
- If divorced but single, one can be an EMHC.
- No impediment to sacramental reception, such as irregular unions (marriages not recognized by the Church), cohabiting, members of forbidden organizations (e.g. Free Masonry, etc.), etc.
- Be CMG trained (Child & Youth Protection Safe Environment Training) & approved by the Archdiocese.
- If you have *any* questions, ask Fr. Lawrence.
- **Training session for EMHC's: Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> after the 6:30 pm Mass.**
- Training session for lectors to be announced.

### SIGNIFICANCE of BOWING

A bow signifies reverence & honor shown to the names or event being mentioned. We are to do the following:

- 1) A **bow of the head** is made when the three Divine Persons (the Trinity) are named together and at the names of Jesus, of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and of the Saint in whose honor Mass is being celebrated.
- 2) A **bow of the body** (a profound bow) is made during the Creed with the words **"and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man."**

—General Instruction to the Roman Missal, #275

May 28, 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Church celebrates Pentecost this weekend. Pentecost has various understandings throughout history. Its roots are in the Old Testament, being the 50th day after Passover. It was called the Feast of Weeks, *Shavuot*, an agricultural festival celebrating and giving thanks for the “first fruits” of the spring harvest (cf. Lev. 23; Ex. 23; Ex. 34). Eventually, this feast began to be celebrated, commemorating the giving of the Torah, the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai, 50 days after Exodus. And now, Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the early Church 50 days after Easter.

Pentecost marks the end of the Easter Season. After Sunday, the Paschal (Easter) Candle will be moved from the ambo (pulpit) to the baptismal font. Red vestments are worn today to reflect the tongues of flame that appeared above the disciples' heads. Red vestments are worn also on feast days commemorating martyrs & the shedding of their blood.

This Monday is Memorial Day. Come & participate in the 8:30 am Mass. Mass will be in Kolbe Hall since the pew installers are scheduled to work on Memorial Day. Due to the holiday, the parish office is closed. Memorial Day is a U.S. federal holiday in remembrance of all the men & women who *died* while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, particularly those killed in armed conflict. It is celebrated on the final Monday of May and was known formerly as Decoration Day. It originated after the U.S. Civil War to commemorate both the Union & Confederate soldiers who died in that war. By the 20<sup>th</sup> century, Memorial Day was extended to honor all men & women who died in military service. See p. 7 for a prayer. Since holidays involve more travel & seem to “encourage” more drinking (& other substance usage), let us be mindful of driving more carefully & soberly.

On Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, there were several workers unloading a large tractor trailer full of pews. The project manager hopes to install as many pews in the transepts (arms) of the church, as well as around the baptismal font. We are not sure if all the pews will be installed by this weekend.

After the new pews are installed, then all the existing previous pew & kneeler cushions will be replaced with brand new cushions with the upholstery matching the new upholstery. The existing previous upholstery is no longer available.

So that we do not have the church with previous, 13 year old upholstery & all the new pews with brand new, different fabric, the decision was made to make everything to match. Plus, they will be replacing all the existing pew kneeler hardware with a more sturdy metal that supposedly will not break as easily at the previous hardware. This project will take up 2 full weeks to complete.

Concerning the fabric selection, the decision was a joint, unanimous decision of several people, some with interior design expertise. We felt the darker fabric matched the space better & would not show dirt/stains as much. We also liked the small cross signs & the shell symbol. There was a limited number of fabrics that actually would have been suitable for our church.

Thank you for the volunteers who moved on 2 different days the chairs out of the church/chapel into the hall. Thank you to those who cleaned & mopped both chapel, choir & baptism area in preparation for the new pews. The chairs in the chapel are the chairs that were around the baptism font. These chairs were purchased when the church was built.

The pew project is costing about \$209,000. That includes \$4,150 for cleaning & polishing the floors in both transepts. To be honest, we are fortunate to have money in savings. But that makes a huge dent in our savings. So I am asking if you can afford to make an additional contribution to assist, mark that contribution with a memo toward “pew project.” Any contributions will be welcomed!

We are doing rather well with our DSF contributions. But we lack \$49,775 to meet our mandatory amount by June 30<sup>th</sup>. If you remember, I challenged everyone that if we meet our goal by June 30<sup>th</sup>, then I will not speak about DSF, other than to give you updates in the bulletin. If you have not made your contribution, please do so ASAP. The easiest way is to use the QR code for DSF at the bottom of p. 7. Or you use the DSF envelopes in the pews.

I ask you to pray about the opportunity to serve as a distributor of Holy Communion. The next training session is Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> in the church after the 6:30 pm Mass (about 7:15 pm). See p. 2 for the qualifications. We always need more people to distribute Holy Communion, just as we need more lectors (readers), ushers, sacristans (those who get all the items ready for Mass), altar servers, choir members, operators for the projection screens, etc.

Thank you all who do so much for the Church!



St. Maximilian Kolbe, pray for us!

*Lawrence W. Jozwiak*

Fr. Lawrence W. Jozwiak  
Pastor

**“The Cross is the school of love.”**

**“The most deadly poison of our time is indifference.”**

—St. Maximilian Kolbe

**“There is no greater love, than to lay down one's life for one's friend.” John 15: 13**



## Liturgy Corner for Weekend Masses

Scripture readings: Hymnal: #1084

Order of Mass: Hymnal #166—#187

Gathering Hymn: #559—Come, Holy Ghost

Gloria (inside cover of hymnal)

Gospel Alleluia

Profession of Faith/Creed): #174 or inside cover of hymnal

Preparation Hymn: #902—O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God

Holy, Holy, Holy

Mystery of Faith

Amen

Lamb of God

Communion Hymns:

#916—I Receive the Living God

#553—O Spirit-All Embracing

Sending Forth Hymn: #557—Send Down the Fire



## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading**—When the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles, they were able to speak in diverse languages, & this enabled people from different nations to comprehend the gospel's message. This occurrence marked the inception of the Church, & it led to the conversion of thousands of individuals (Acts 2:1-11).

**Psalms**—Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Ps 104).

**Second Reading**—Paul teaches that there are various gifts given by the Holy Spirit, which are meant to be used to benefit the entire body of Christ. He emphasizes the unity of the Church, explaining that just as the human body is made up of many parts that work together, so too are the members of the Church united as one body in Christ through the Spirit (Cor. 12:3-13).

**Gospel**—Jesus appears to his disciples after his resurrection. He greets them with peace, shows them his wounds, & then breathes on them, giving them the gift of the Holy Spirit & commissioning them to forgive sins (John 20:19-23).

## READINGS for the WEEK

**Monday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Jn 19:25-34

**Tuesday:** Sir 35:1-12/Mk 10:28-31

**Wednesday:** Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Lk 1:39-56

**Thursday:** Sir 42:15-25/Mk 10:46-52

**Friday:** Sir 44:1, 9-13/Mk 11:11-27

**Saturday:** Sir 51:12cd-20/Mk 11:27-33

**Sunday:** Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

### Weekly Devotional Prayer: All in the Chapel

Power Hour of Prayer @ 7 pm on Mondays.

Holy Rosary @ 6:30 pm on Wednesdays.

Evening Prayer @ 7 pm on Wednesdays.

Divine Mercy & Rosary @ 3 pm on Thursdays.

**Weekend Homilies** are recorded & posted on our parish webpage:

<https://stmaximilian.org/homily>



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## Mass Intentions



### Saturday, May 27

St. Augustine of Canterbury

5 pm Sammy Romano, Sr. †

### Sunday, May 28

**Pentecost Sunday**

8 am Joe E. Ortiz †

10 am Ofelia E. Alegre †

12 Noon Parishioners of St. Maximilian

**Monday, May 29** The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; 8th Week in Ordinary Time; Memorial Day

8:30 am Tilly & Stash Gorka †

### Tuesday, May 30

6:30 pm Michael Williams † & Marie Williams †

**Wednesday, May 31** The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 am Gail Cook

### Thursday, June 1

St. Justin

8:30 am Harry Boylan † & Anita Capron †

### Friday, June 2

Ss. Marcellinus & Peter

8:30 am Ashley Pereira †

### Saturday, June 3

St. Charles Lwanga & Companions

5 pm Joe & Jeanette Coury

### Sunday, June 4

**The Most Holy Trinity**

8 am Parishioners of St. Maximilian

10 am Jearald Dyer †

12 Noon Leonida Esperanza †

## WE WELCOME YOU!

The parish offices will be closed tomorrow—Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> in observance of Memorial Day.

**All life is sacred & valuable from the womb to the tomb!**



**Power Hour Prayer Time** *Need a spiritual boost?*

Join us at 7 pm on Monday nights in the Immaculata Chapel. One hour of prayer includes the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, consecrations & litanies to Jesus & Mary along with meditation music & hands on healing prayer. Call Jeanette Coury at 281-914-3676 for more info.

## Ignorance of Scripture is Ignorance of Christ!

For the scriptures used at Mass every day & to hear a Reflection, go to: <https://www.usccb.org>



On the very top Menu bar, tab in on "Daily Reading." Then click on the date of the readings you would like to read. Or go to our parish website. You may also request to have the daily readings sent to your email.



### Another life milestone for Father Lawrence!

After 22 years of teaching at St. Mary's Seminary, he is retiring from teaching. He turned in his last set of grades last week. Father Lawrence loves to teach, but he wants to focus more on St. Maximilian and being kind to himself. Once again, let us all thank him for his dedication to our Church, Archdiocese, parish and our parishioners.

Thank you Father Lawrence!

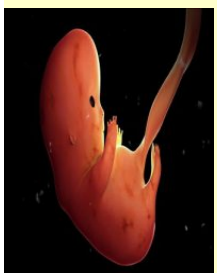
Congratulations and Happy Teaching Retirement!

May God's Blessings be with you always!

#### Spiritual Adoption: End of Month 2 "I am dancing!"

"Thank you for praying for me. I'm now 8 weeks old.

- You can see my eyes, nose and mouth.
- My brain has been functioning since day 40.



- I have everything I need to survive after birth.
- I love to hop, jump and flip - my first dance

Please pick up a blessed Spiritual Adoption Prayer Card, at the church exits, to pray for an unborn child to be saved from abortion. This prayer campaign ends December 25, although continued prayers afterward is

encouraged. Please also pray for an end to abortion and the healing and reconciliation of all involved.

And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb. [And Elizabeth exclaimed], "when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy." Luke 1:41, 44

Watch the amazing and medically accurate, animated video of human life from the moment of fertilization. <https://babyolivia.liveaction.org/>

For more information, contact Karen at [kcomstock@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kcomstock@sbcglobal.net) or 281-639-1999.

**LOST & FOUND OVERFLOWING**...the church's Lost & Found is overflowing. Items are: toys, cups, diaper bag, reading glasses, jewelry, umbrellas, etc. It will be in the church for two weeks then move to the parish office. If you would like to check it, ask an usher to show you the items in the ministry sacristy for now.

**Pentecost** takes place on the 50th day after Easter Sunday. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ.

**Have You Moved? Changed your Phone Number or Email Address?** If you have it is important to let us know in the parish office. Call 281-955-7324 to update your information.

**See the excellent series on Mary, the Mother of God, listed on p. 10.**

#### INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL IS BACK!

St Maximilian Kolbe is a diverse parish & has representation of so many countries & ethnicities. To celebrate our diversity, we are reviving the International Festival on Nov. 4, 2023. (An event we had pre-Covid.) If you or a group of you are interested in representing a particular country or ethnicity, please reach out to: Madelyn Henderson ([madelyn.henderson@gmail.com](mailto:madelyn.henderson@gmail.com)), Angie Willis ([angiemwillis@gmail.com](mailto:angiemwillis@gmail.com)), or Nancy Reece ([ngr\\_77095@yahoo.com](mailto:ngr_77095@yahoo.com)).

The following parishioners of St. Maximilian are scheduled to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend:



Javier Aguila  
Rosemary Salazar  
Marissa Ortiz  
Madeline Ortiz  
Shayla Rodriguez



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**Registering on FORMED is easier than ever!**

—Go to <https://formed.org/signup>

—Enter our parish zip code 77064 & select our parish

—Enter your name & email

You can also sign up for daily reflections to be sent to your email at <https://daily.formed.org/>



**More info about this new mosaic of the Holy Spirit coming soon to our parish as a gift.**

Since we are remembering the Holy Spirit, let's review the 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit that come with the Sacrament of Baptism & are sealed in the Sacrament of Confirmation:

**Wisdom** is both the knowledge of and judgment about "divine things" and the ability to judge and direct human affairs according to divine truth. This enables us to know God and esteem divine things above worldly things.

**Understanding** is penetrating insight into the very heart of things, especially those higher truths that are necessary for our eternal salvation—in effect, the ability to "see" God. Helps us to understand our Catholic Faith, the Bible and Saints.

**Counsel** allows a person to be directed by God in matters necessary for salvation. This is the knowledge necessary to guide ourselves and others to do God's will. It helps us help others get through spiritual and temporal problems.

**Fortitude** denotes a firmness of mind in doing good and in avoiding evil, particularly when it is difficult or dangerous to do so, and the confidence to overcome all obstacles, even deadly ones, by virtue of the assurance of everlasting life. This is the strength we need to endure and have courage. It helps us suffer persecution and adversities for the sake of good.

**Knowledge** is the ability to judge correctly about matters of faith and right action, so as to never wander from the straight path of justice. This helps us to know God, ourselves and others as God knows.

**Piety** is, principally, revering God with filial affection, paying worship and duty to God, paying due duty to all people on account of their relationship to God, and honoring the saints and not contradicting Scripture. The Latin word *pietas* denotes the reverence that we give to our father and to our country; since God is the Father of all, the worship of God is also called piety. This gift infuses us with love for serving God and see Him in all events through a holy life of prayer.

**Fear of God** is, in this context, "filial" or chaste fear whereby we revere God and avoid separating ourselves from him—as opposed to "servile" fear, whereby we fear punishment. We have such reverence for God that we do not want to do anything that will cause harm to our relationship with God or do anything that will displease or offend God.

Most of the above definitions come from St. Thomas Aquinas' writings in the 13<sup>th</sup> century.

Pictures from Father John Francis Ulm's 65<sup>th</sup> priestly ordination anniversary celebration.

[https://www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/354864](https://www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/354864)

Sponsor code: 3113

**Upcoming Blood Drive—June 11th  
St. Maximilian--Kolbe Hall  
8 am - 12 Noon**

**The Rosary Making Ministry meets at 7 pm Thursday, June 1st in the Parish Office Conference Room.**

This ministry meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month for fellowship, learn how to make a corded rosary, pick up supplies & drop off completed rosaries. Come join us! Rosaries are available in the parish office & in the chapel if you need one. For more info, contact Barbara Sextro @ 713.818.6729 or Teri Corbitt at 832.544.1798.

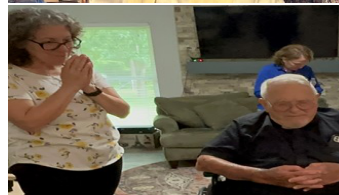
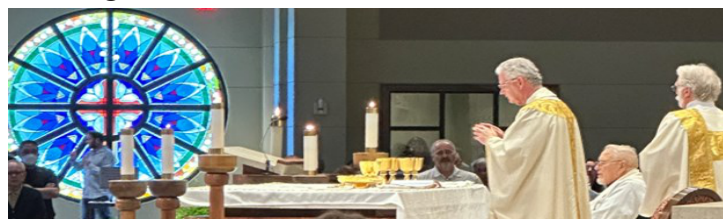
## Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

O God, who have taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.





### Collection for the Week of May 15—21, 2023

Collections	\$15,970
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 1,045
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,015</b>

**Faith Direct is received twice a month.**

Archdiocesan 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections \$ 2,440

Please! Do NOT staple, glue, or tape your offertory envelopes! Thank you.



← This QR code will link you to our **Faith Direct account** where you can make ongoing contributions or a one-time contribution. It is quick, easy & efficient. Please consider using this QR code.

**Be generous to the Maintenance & Repair fund.**

**"...for God loves a cheerful giver."**

2 Corinthians 9:7

Contribute to landscaping efforts! More work will continue to occur. Label your contributions toward "Landscaping."



### GOD IS THE STRENGTH OF MY HEART



MINISTRY



SERVICE



EDUCATION



### Your DSF gift makes a difference!

Your generosity makes all the difference to the success of the Church in this Archdiocese.

Through your gifts to the Diocesan Services Fund (DSF), together we can support ministries & organizations throughout the Archdiocese that help our local Church live out its Gospel mission.

**Remember: the goal is to meet our mandatory amount by June 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**We are \$49,775 short to meet our mandatory amount by June 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**Have you made your DSF pledge yet?**

- **2023 mandatory amt: \$150,000**
- **Amount Received: \$100,225**
- **Amt. under mandatory amt: \$49,775**
- **273 donors out of 2123 households**

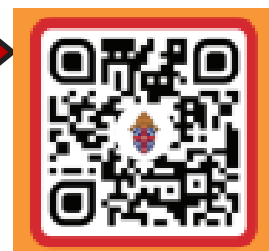
### Archbishop Joseph A. Fiorenza Priest Retirement Residence

This residence for retired Archdiocesan priests, as well as religious priests, on a space availability basis, in which they can live securely & independently in the company of their peers. The residence comfortably serves 24 priests, each with a suite. Full-time cooks provide 3 meals a day, 7 days a week; & full-time housekeepers provide daily housekeeping & laundry services. The residence also includes a beautiful Chapel, outdoor spaces, a media room, a work-out room, a library & a dining room.

**Give to DSF today  
so we can meet our mandatory  
amount by June 30<sup>th</sup>.**

### HOW TO DONATE

- Use the QR code for DSF →
- Go to: <https://www.archgh.org/ways-to-give/diocesan-services-fund-dsf/donate-to-dsf/>
- Go to our parish website: <https://stmaximilian.org/>  
Tab in below the DSF logo.
- For the above 3 ways, make sure you select our parish, St. Maximilian Kolbe, to appear on the drop down menu.
- Use the DSF pledge envelope in the pew.
- Use the DSF pledge envelope mailed to your home. (make sure our parish, St. Maximilian Kolbe, is listed on your mailed DSF pledge card.)



**See if your company will match your DSF donation. Go to:**  
<https://www.archgh.org/media/13562/agh-matching-gift-companies-december-2019.pdf>



## A PRAYER for MEMORIAL DAY

Remember, Lord, the fallen  
Who died in fields of war,  
In flaming clouds, in screaming crowds,  
On street that are no more,  
That we today might waken  
And greet this day in peace  
With grateful prayer for those who bear  
The storms that never cease.

Remember friends and strangers,  
And those forgotten now;  
Whose names are known to you alone,  
Before whose love we bow,

And ask that you surround them  
With mercy's endless light  
That they may live, and we forgive  
The foe they went to fight.

Remember, Lord, the living.  
Who bear the pain of loss-  
A death she died who stood beside  
Her Son upon the cross.

Remember all your children  
The dead and those who weep,  
And make us one beneath the sun  
Where love will never sleep.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen

On the 2 weekends after Easter Sunday, we gave out the book *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist* by Dr Brant Pitre. For those who have read it, are reading it or are unable to get the reading done, we will be starting a 10-lesson companion study to the book called *Lectio: Eucharist*. The study is available on [formed.org](http://formed.org) (our parish has already paid for a subscription for each of our parishioners). You have the materials to study it on your own, but if you want to study it in a group, we will meet on Saturday mornings at 9:30 am starting June 10 or Thursday mornings at 9:30 am starting June 29. Come to one meeting or to all of them. For more information, go to [www.stmaximilian.org/adult](http://www.stmaximilian.org/adult). If you did not receive a copy and would like one, some are available in the parish office.

### Coffee & Donuts every Sunday,

Plan to join us for fellowship in the Education Bldg.

Pray for **Timothy Spjut** from our parish who is studying at Holy Trinity Seminary in Dallas as a seminarian for formation & studies for our Archdiocese.

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DEACON ZACHARY  
MULDROW



DEACON J  
SERRATO



DEACON MATTHEW  
KRUSLESKI

Three men set to be  
ordained as priests be-  
gan as altar servers!

MASS OF ORDINATION  
TO THE PRIESTHOOD  
WHEN June 3 at 10 am  
WHERE Co-Cathedral of  
the Sacred Heart, 1111  
St. Joseph Pkwy,  
Downtown Houston WHO  
Celebrant: Daniel Cardi-  
nal DiNardo  
Deacons J Serrato,  
Matthew Krusleski,  
Zachary Muldrow  
STREAM  
[www.archgh.org/live](http://www.archgh.org/live)



The Office of Worship is excited to announce their first-ever Summer Sacred Music Choral Festival. The event will be on June 16-17 and will feature 200 singers. For more info, visit the Office of Worship's webpage: <https://www.archgh.org/choralfestival>

Blessed Virgin Mary of the  
Immaculate Conception,  
Patroness of The United States,  
Pray for us!

Pray everyday for more vocations to the  
priesthood, diaconate & religious life!

**All Men are Welcome! Come sing with the Choir  
this Sat., May 27th @ 5 pm Mass!**



**MAY 2023**



O LORD JESUS CHRIST, GREAT HIGH PRIEST, LEAD OUR SEMINARIANS IN YOUR UNERRING FOOTSTEPS: SO THAT THEY MAY BECOME PRIESTS WHO ARE MODELS OF PURITY, POSSESSORS OF WISDOM AND HEROES OF SACRIFICE. TEACH THEM GENEROSITY AND DETACHMENT FROM WORLDLY GOODS: BUT ABOVE ALL TEACH THEM TO KNOW YOU AND TO LOVE YOU, THE ONE AND ONLY ETERNAL PRIEST. AMEN.

\*FOR FUTURE PRAYER CALENDARS, VISIT [WWW.HOUSTONVOCATIONS.COM/PRAY-FOR-OUR-SEMINARIANS/](http://WWW.HOUSTONVOCATIONS.COM/PRAY-FOR-OUR-SEMINARIANS/)



## Mark your calendars! Kamp Kolbe

Vacation Bible School

Register: [stmaximilian.org/kamp-kolbe-vbs](http://stmaximilian.org/kamp-kolbe-vbs)  
Monday-Friday mornings

**June 19-23**

Open to students completing grades  
pre-school to 5th  
Volunteers needed!



We will be offering a **Spirituality Summer Series** on Mondays in May, June, and July at 12:30 pm in Room

214. This will also be repeated in-person and on Zoom at 6:30 pm. Bring your lunch or dinner, if you like. We will start with teachings from Fr. Ronald Rolheiser (member of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate). Remaining **June Dates: 5, 12, 19!!**

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each Month: "The Chosen"

Have you heard the buzz about the show that re-imagines the Gospels showing how Jesus taught and loved? On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month after the 5 pm Mass in Kolbe Hall (around 6:15 pm), we will be showing episodes of "The Chosen." The first 4 episodes were played in April & May but you can catch up by going to <https://www.angel.com/watch/the-chosen>, selecting "Season 1" and watching episode 1-4. The event will go throughout the summer (Aug 19<sup>th</sup>). **Next showing is Sat., June 17<sup>th</sup>. Come join us!**

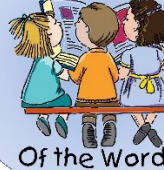
<https://stmaximilian.org/children-youth-faith-formation>



Faith Formation

Online Registration Now Open Summer, Fall-Spring, Home-based

### Children's Liturgy



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### HELP WANTED!

Teach the Gospel to kids ages 5-9. Only once a month at the Mass you are already attending. We will be starting with 10am Mass and hope to have enough volunteers to include noon

Mass as well. For more info or to volunteer, contact Molly Smith at [molly.smith@stmaximilian.org](mailto:molly.smith@stmaximilian.org).

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### 2023 Calendar Faith Formation/CCE Summer Intensive

MAY / JUNE 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

**Elementary &  
Junior High  
Grades 1st - 8th  
9:00a to Noon  
June 5 - 16**

Registration Deadline  
Elem, Jr High MAY 28  
High School JUNE 29

Parent Meeting  
First day of class, after  
student dismissal to class

**High School  
Grades 9th - 12th  
6:30p to 8:30p  
July 6 - 25  
Su, Tu, Th**

JUNE/JULY 2023						
S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			28	29	30	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29



**MAY: For Church Movements & Groups**  
*We pray that Church movements & groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.*

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

That through gratitude and generosity, we learn to open our heart and invite the Holy Spirit into our life!

*"To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." 1 Corinthians 12:7*

To receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit you must open your heart and invite Him in! Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts, words and actions every day! Be grateful for all the gifts God has given you! Regardless of our individual circumstances, God has given all of us many blessings. What we do with those gifts is our gift back to God! By generously sharing everything we have and everything we are, we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered" and our lives truly reflect God's light, love and mercy.

**Food Pantry is open: Wednesdays at 3:30 pm**

FoodPantry@stmaximilian.org

The pantry could use the following items: canned corn, canned pasta, canned pasta sauce, canned soup, peanut butter 16-26 oz, canned chicken, macaroni & cheese and 1 lb. bag of rice. No outdated food products please. The Food Pantry is not able to accept any medications. Updated 5/17/23

**Mary: The Bible & the Mother of God with Dr. Brant Pitre**

<https://watch.formed.org/lectio-mary-with-dr-brant-pitre>

Why is Mary so important to Catholics, and why have so many people been devoted to her over the centuries? In this 8-part series, Dr. Brant Pitre examines what the Old & New Testaments, the life of Christ, and the early Church fathers reveal about the life & identity of Mary.

See p. 5 on how to login into Formed.org



**Pray for our parish!**

**EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

To the side are days/times where help is needed.

To sign up, contact Susie Charnock @ 281-813-1492.

*"So you could not keep watch with me for one hour?..."*

*"Mt 26:40"*

**Pray for Our Nation**

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Lupe Batey, Norma Bodin, Bill Carew, Missy Fouts, Joseph Gallagher, James Geary, Mary L. Broussard-Gee, Georgia Hohensee, Madison Koopmann, Rachele Marchisio, Arma Morrison, Hubert Morrison, Maria Mien Nguyen, Richard Ornelaz, Stan Petty, Walker Ponder, Marian Rearick, Alveraize Saizan, Maria Senjudo, Ken Switzler, Consuelo Estrada Torres, Fr. John Ulm, Merlita Velasquez, Linda Webb, Carolyn & Gary Webber, Baby Wire, & Chuck Woodruff



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Kolbe Kids' is now hiring teachers for the 2023/24 school year. Contact Eileen Mace at 281-923-2932 or by email: ei-

leenm@stmaximilian.org

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Tuesday	12 Midnight—1 am
Wednesday	1 am—2 am
Wednesday	2 am—3 am
Thursday	2 am—3 am
Thursday	12 Noon—1 pm
Thursday	1 pm—2 pm
Thursday	7 pm—8 pm
Thursday	8 pm—9 pm
Sunday	6 pm—7 pm



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