

# Saint Maximilian Kolbe Church

July 23, 2017

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



He proposed another parable to them. "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the 'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.'" —Matthew 13:31-32

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#### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday – Vigil Mass – 5:30 PM  
 Sunday – 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon

#### WEEKDAYS IN THE CHAPEL

Monday through Friday – 8:00 AM  
 Saturday – 9:00 AM

#### HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

VIGIL 5:30 PM  
 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 7:00 PM

#### CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 PM or by appointment.

**BAPTISMS** – Every 1st and 3rd Sunday at 1:00 PM. Call the Rectory Office 6-8 weeks in advance for arrangements. Godparents' Letters of Eligibility are due one month before the Baptism.

**PRE-JORDAN** – Expectant and/or new parents are to participate in a class on Baptism. This session is held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 1:00 PM. It is necessary to call the Rectory in advance of the class to register.

**MARRIAGES** – Arrangements should be made at least six months before the date of the wedding. Please call one of the priests.

**ANOIDING OF THE SICK**—In case of serious illness or surgery, please contact one of our parish priests. This Sacrament can also be administered after any weekday Mass. Please see the priest in the Sacristy.

**HOME VISITS**— Anyone unable to attend Mass regularly due to illness may call the Rectory to make arrangements to receive Communion in their homes.

**NEW PARISHIONERS** – Register at the Rectory at your earliest convenience or go to [www.stmax.org](http://www.stmax.org). Please notify the Rectory of any change of address as soon as possible.

**CHARISMATIC PRAYER** Tuesdays in the Chapel at 7:30 PM.

**CENTERING PRAYER** Fridays in the Chapel at 8:45 AM

**RCIA**— For those desiring to become Catholic or adults who were baptized Catholic but not confirmed. Contact Fr. Windle.

#### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday 8:30AM-5:00PM  
 Friday 8:30AM-4:00PM  
 Sunday 8:30AM-1:30PM



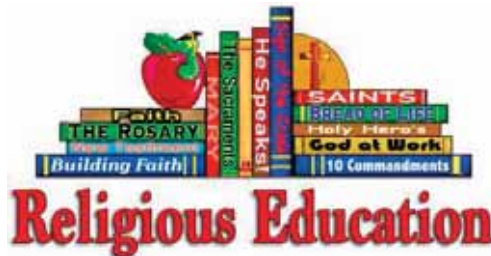
**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
**EVERY TUESDAY**  
**WITH THE MIRACULOUS**  
**MEDAL NOVENA**  
**Adoration begins**  
**at 8:30AM**  
**after Daily Mass**

**Benediction at 7:00 PM**

#### Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of Mary, Grandparents of Jesus Feast Day July 26th

Although they are not mentioned by name in the Bible, we can infer from the life that Mary lived that her own parents must have been righteous and holy people. Her personal strength of character as well as her assisting St. Elizabeth indicate a closely-knit family. As the grandparents of Jesus, they also would have played a role in helping grow in His Jewish faith. They are a great reminder to grandparents today to be willing to joyfully hand on their Catholic traditions as well as reminding young people of the wisdom they can learn from them.





**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**  
**2017-2018 REGISTRATION**

Registration is open for K-6<sup>th</sup> grade PREP classes next fall; forms are available from the PREP office or on the website at [www.stmax.org/PREP](http://www.stmax.org/PREP). **1<sup>st</sup> grade is required preparation for the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist.**

**Volunteers Needed:** God wants all children to know of his love and care for them! If you would be willing to help our parish fulfill this mission we have the following opportunities in our Tuesday night PREP program:

**Catechists** – We are in need of a lead teacher for grade 4 in the late session (6:30-7:45). Must be over 18.

**Office Assistance** – Help with clerical projects and receptionist responsibilities. We are especially in need of a front desk assistant during the late (6:30-7:45 pm) session.

**Car-Line Safety – Short shift and very important!** Help students safely get out of cars, cross traffic and enter the building. Early session assistance needed from 4:30-4:50; late session assistance from 6:15-6:35. Adults or high school students are able to fill this role.

**Classroom Aides** – Assist with instruction and/or class management. Adults or high school students are able to fill this role.

**Special Events** – If you are not able to commit to every Tuesday but would still like to support the PREP program, we do need help with special projects or events that occur occasionally throughout the year.

Contact the PREP office at 610-399-9642 or [smk-prep@stmax.org](mailto:smk-prep@stmax.org) to volunteer or for more information. All adult volunteers must complete the safety clearances required by federal/state law and Archdiocese policy. *This is great opportunity for high school students seeking Community Service Hours required by Catholic schools and National Honor Society.*

Any questions or concerns can be directed to Mrs. Roberta Dainton at 610-399-9642 or [smk-prep@stmax.org](mailto:smk-prep@stmax.org).

## THE CENTENNIAL OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Here at St. Maximilian Kolbe, you are invited to join our Rosary Group on the 13th of the month after Daily Mass (after the 12:00 noon Mass on Sunday August 13th) in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Fatima.



**Uniform Exchange  
Every Tuesday, Wednesday  
and Thursday In August  
9 AM- 3 PM  
in the school**



**COME AND BE FILLED WITH  
THE HOLY SPIRIT!**

**CHESTER COUNTY  
MEN'S GROUP  
MALVERN RETREAT**

Join other men from our parish and Chester County on a retreat at Malvern Retreat house on August 11, 12, 13. Refresh yourself with faith while taking a "timeout" from your life. Take the opportunity to take stock of yourself and your spiritual life. This is an excellent opportunity for family members (you, your sons or grandsons, your father and grandfathers and other male relatives) to join together in a spiritual and prayerful activity. The retreat weekend begins with dinner on Friday and concludes with Sunday morning Mass. The cost is an offering commensurate with what your financial situation and your conscience dictates. If you cannot attend the whole weekend, then come and attend part of it. More information is available and reservations can be made by contacting Charlie Carbo at [ccarbo@comcast.net](mailto:ccarbo@comcast.net) or 610-431-3686 or you can make reservations directly with Malvern at <http://www.malvernretreat.com/> or phone 610 644-0400.

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**VISITING MISSIONARY  
FROM THE MISSION  
DIOCESE OF  
PATHANAMTHITTA-  
KERALA, INDIA**

A Letter from the Bishop of the Diocese of Pathanamthitta, India

Dear Parishioners of St. Maximilian Kolbe,

The Diocese of Pathanamthitta is just 7 years old and it tries to give the Gospel of Our Lord to the 45,000 faithful of the Diocese and 150,000 inhabitants of the county of Pathanamthitta. We have 100 missions/churches, mostly in rural hilly areas where 100 priests do pastoral work. We have 8 retired priests in the priest's home where we take care of them. Sixty seminarians are studying in various seminaries, from first year to the twelfth year of formation for this mission Diocese. It is the duty of the Bishop to take care of the basic needs of the missionary priests and also the seminarians. In addition to that, we take care of a good number of autistic children, mentally and physically challenged men and women in various homes. The diocese meets all the expenses of these men, women and children of these charitable homes. I am looking forward to coming to your parish and talking to you about these needs.

It is our earnest desire and humble request to you to provide a helping hand for this mission diocese. With your gracious and generous financial support, we can continue to do the apostolic ministry God has entrusted to us. I thank your pastor, his associates and all of you, in anticipation of your generous hearts.

Yours Sincerely in Our Lord,

Most Rev. Yoohanon Mar Chrusostom Kalloor  
Bishop of Pathanamthitta

**ST. MAX CYO  
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**

Girls in 5th through 8th grades who attend the parish school or whose families are members of the parish can join CYO volleyball. Open gyms and tryouts will be held in the St. Max Gym.



Open Gym: July 25th

Tryouts: August 22nd (JV) and August 23rd (Varsity)

Registration is done through Wagdogs. You must be registered to try out.

For additional information, email Leo Gibbons at [lgibbons@macelree.com](mailto:lgibbons@macelree.com).

ALSO, St. Max CYO is currently searching for a girls varsity volleyball coach. Those candidates interested please email St Max Athletic Director: [mfonudo@gmail.com](mailto:mfonudo@gmail.com).



**YOUNG ADULTS  
'ADORATION 101'**



This Wednesday July 26, join us at SS Peter and Paul at 7:30 pm. Father Stephen A. Moerman, pastor of St. Isaac Jogues Parish, will be speaking about the history of adoration, its importance and blessing to us, and the etiquette of participating in attending / participating in adoration. We look forward to seeing you!



## GOSPEL OF JOHN

Following Christ takes more than simply believing in him or doing what he asks of us. Jesus wants you to be more than just a believer -he wants you to be his disciple and friend. *Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John* is a guide to a personal encounter with

Christ. *Follow Me* invites you to experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Christ.

Join the Tuesday Morning Bible Study beginning September 12, 2017 at 9:00 AM in the Maximilian Room. To register, contact the rectory. For more information contact Judy Armour at (610)793-2596 or [judyarmour23@gmail.com](mailto:judyarmour23@gmail.com). Cost of the materials is \$20 and checks should be made out to St. Maximilian Kolbe Church. Registration deadline is August 29<sup>th</sup>.

### Eucharistic

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Summer is a good time to consider how we might enrich our spiritual lives and grow closer to Jesus. We have a great opportunity every Tuesday to spend some time with Jesus in our quiet, air-conditioned chapel during Eucharistic Adoration. We have a wonderful group of people who have each committed to be there for a particular hour between 9 am and 7 pm so Jesus is never left alone. Many others are able to come in for briefer visits. It would be wonderful for students on break to give some of their time to Jesus. Any one of any age is always welcome. Just drop in.

We'd like to have **at least** two people committed to each hour; we also need to compile a list of people who are willing to be called upon as substitutes when the regular adorers are unable to be there. If you would like to participate in this important ministry, let us know. Additional people are welcome at any hour. To volunteer for a regular hour or to be placed on the sub list, please provide your name and contact information to Anne Chavez at [chavezamd@gmail.com](mailto:chavezamd@gmail.com) or 610-793-2154 or call the rectory to volunteer.

*"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth." (Mother Teresa)*

### GOING ON VACATION?

Summer is coming soon and many will be heading to vacation destinations to refresh and recharge. As you are enjoying those fun activities (or even doing nothing at all!) make sure you check out [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) before you leave. You can find out the locations and times of churches celebrating the Eucharist wherever you are going. All our parishioners are wished happiness and safety on their trips and excursions in the coming months.



### BSHS Golf Outing

Bishop Shanahan High School's 11th Annual Endowment Fund Golf Outing takes place on September 12. Enter to win the \$10,000 raffle. Ticket cost is \$100.

Need not be present to win on 9/12. A limited number of tickets are available! Contact 610-343-6238 for more information. Thank you for your support.





The Kolbe Club presents:

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017



## HARRISBURG Rail + Sail

### Daytrip Itinerary:

- 9:30am Depart St. Maximillian Kolbe Church via deluxe Motorcoach (*Brief Rest Stop en route*)  
 11:30am Board **Pride of The Susquehanna**, "Prettiest Little Riverboat this side of the Mississippi!"  
 12-12:45pm Sail the scenic Susquehanna River on an authentic Paddlewheel Riverboat  
 2:00-3:15pm **Hummelstown Railroad**. Take an 11-mile round-trip ride along the Swatara Creek. Originally built as a freight station, it has been converted for use as a passenger station, complete with a gift shop. A live narration relates the history of the canal which was completed in 1827, much of which is still visible, including canal locks, while learning the history of the area and historical artifacts.  
 3:30pm Enjoy an early **Dinner** at **Alfred's Victorian Restaurant**, an 1888 Victorian Brownstone Mansion with period décor in an elegant setting. *Please choose an entrée below*  
 5:00pm **Departure** from restaurant  
 7:00pm (Approx.) **Return** to St. Maximillian Kolbe

**\$115.00** per person

Price is Based on a Minimum of 24 Passengers by Cut-off date or Trip may be Cancelled

**Note: Maximum Bus Capacity -30 passengers (book early)**

**\$5.00 REBATE for 30 Passengers (\$110) ~Payable on Bus**

**Cut-Off Date for Refund – August 9, 2017 - Afterwards only with a Replacement.**

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**TO: Kolbe Club @ St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish**, 15 East Pleasant Grove Road, West Chester, PA 19382

Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_ Parish Member? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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**If Guest (s)** Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_ Parish Member? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Payment Enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_ for #\_\_\_\_\_ (Number) Harrisburg Rail & Sail 9-19-17 \$115/person**

**Entrée Selections: (Please select one for each participant)**

\_\_\_ **Victorian Crab Cake** (Lump Crab Cake baked until golden brown)

\_\_\_ **Cannelloni Bolognese** (Crepe filled w/chopped Veal, Chicken and Beef topped w/béchamel & marinara sauces)

\_\_\_ **Chicken Parmesano** (Chicken Breast lightly breaded and topped with marinara sauce and cheese)

**Entrees include:** Mixed Green Salad, Rolls and Herb Butter, Chef's choice of Starch and Vegetable, Coffee, Tea and bottomless Iced Tea and Lemonade, Crème Caramel for Dessert (**Cash Bar Available**)



**The American Red Cross**  
**BABYSITTING CERTIFICATION COURSE**

St. Maximilian Kolbe Church ~ Kolbe Room  
**Wednesday, August 16th** registration deadline 8/7

Class runs 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

**Cost: \$85.00** (non-refundable but substitutes permissible)

Includes course instruction by a certified, American Red Cross instructor\*  
 Babysitters Training Handbook, Emergency Reference Guide,  
 Babysitting Training CD ROM which includes babysitting client organizer,  
 printable activity booklet, a resume template, interactive exercises to reinforce skills

**CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED –FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE**

Complete application below and return to Maryanne Higbee, 17 Kashmir Drive Thornton, PA 19373

**Make Checks payable to Maryanne Higbee** (any questions: 610-455-0361/610-453-6705)

Or Hosey59@verizon.net

**Please bring your lunch, beverage, snack, notebook & pencil**

**Dress comfortably ~ lots of floor work**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Wednesday, August 16th** registration deadline 8/7

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

**Must be 11 years old**

Parents' Names \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Phone ~ Day of Course** Mom \_\_\_\_\_ Dad \_\_\_\_\_

Other Emergency Contact (Name & Phone) \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Volunteer\*\*** \_\_\_\_\_ AM \_\_\_\_ PM \_\_\_\_

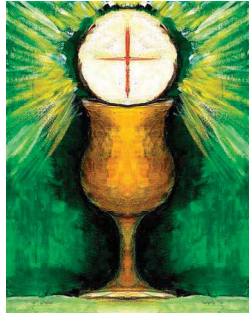
\*All instructors are background checked and child abuse cleared

**\*\*Also, we need a parent volunteer to be on site in addition to the instructor for course to take place – NO PARENT ~ NO CLASS!! Day can be split AM & PM shifts – indicate your preference. You are not part of the class but in an adjoining room or nearby outside in case of an emergency. Bring a book, bring a lawn chair.**

**Babysitting isn't just for girls – gentlemen welcome !!!**



**MASS INTENTIONS  
WEEK OF JULY 23**



**MONDAY 8:00 AM**                      **Ethel Maynes**  
**TUESDAY 8:00 AM**      **Dec'd of Chu Family**  
**WEDNESDAY 8:00 AM**              **Grace Parfitt**  
**THURSDAY 8:00 AM**              **Ann Elizabeth**  
    **Klukaszewski**  
**FRIDAY 8:00 AM**              **Dorothy B. O'Neill**  
**SATURDAY 9:00 AM**              **Jay Monteith**



**CHURCH COLLECTION**

**JULY 16**

**\$16,102.50**

**THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR GENEROSITY**

***"Peace is generosity.  
It is a right and a duty."  
-St. Oscar Romero***



Consider Altar Flowers as a way to remember your dearly departed. Please place a donation of \$40, the date, the name of your loved one, your name and phone number in an envelope in the collection basket or drop by the rectory. The names will be published in the parish bulletin. Any questions please call the rectory at 610-399-6936.

**Please remember to pray for those in need of hope and healing.  
Mary, Health of the Sick, pray for them.**

Laura Arena, Marsha Ashton, William Beachy, James Burke, Sr., Maryann Corrigan, Nicky DeAngelo, James Dudrick, Carmella DiGregorio, Louis DiGregorio, Frank Donato, David Doty, Denise Doyle, Hayden Elliot, Bobby Favocci, Angelina Fiorito, Patricia Foster, Isabel Francolini, Ed Gleason, Paula Gowan, Patricia Greist, Ron Hauser, Edmund Hayes, Marie Herrschaft, Laurie Hissey, Ray Holback, Gary Hunter, Agnes Iacona, Judy Ikena, Sondra Kelly-Richmond, Martha Kerr, Lynn Lanciano, F. Edmund Lynch, Jack McAdams, Alexi McAlonan, Eleanor McGowan, John McGowan, Kathleen McGrory, Jeff Melasecca, Gene Melcher, Amy Miller, Kayleigh Moran, Alexandra Morin, Ethan Mullin, Paul Nappi, Marie O'Connor, James Palo, Chan Prathanaluangxay, Craig Riddell, Edward Robbins, Joseph Robbins, Marlene Roberts, Drew Robertson, Helen Rochford, Mary Rossi, Gerry Sarge, Wendy Schmidt, Joseph Schneberger, Anne Marie Swans, Janice Thompson, Karen Tipka, Bill Verona, Marian Vickers, Dana Vink, James Wilson.



# < KID'S > KORNER

## Gospel Today

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 13:24-43

Jesus continues to teach the people with parables, or stories. He shows how tiny seeds or yeast cells are like the Word of God. When planted they sprout and grow great in size. As The Word is spread, the believers become many.

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### Jesus' parables show Small beginnings become marvelous expansions

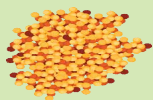
Draw a line from Column A to Column B to match the "Seeds of Faith" to the "Expanded Kingdom."

#### Column A

The  
Good  
Word



Mustard  
Seeds



Yeast  
Cells



#### Column B

Risen  
Breads



Mustard  
Tree



Many  
Believers



### Parent / Child Activity

**Watch a seed sprout** - Take a clear cup and line it with a wet paper towel. Put a dried, uncooked seed between the paper and cup. Keep wet and in the sun. **Watch what happens!** (try watermelon seeds dried for one week)

ANSWERS  
A X B



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