

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."

In 1918, he was ordained a priest and continued his work of promoting Mary throughout Poland. In 1941, the monastery was shut down and Kolbe was arrested and taken to the Pawiak prison. Three months later, he was transferred to Auschwitz. 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. 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.

[Excerpts catholic.org/saints/saint]



Saint Maximilian Kolbe
Memorial Day
August 14th
 Patron of drug addicts, prisoners, families and pro-life movement

St. Anthony Catholic Church
St. Pius X Catholic Church Mission



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 Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT
 As a Catholic Church Family, we respond to Christ's call, evangelize, and welcome all generations to the Holy Eucharist.

PARISH MOTTO
 St. Pius X adopted the motto of St. Paul for his work as Pope, "to restore all things in Christ, so that Christ may be all in all."

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. ANTHONY:
 Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m.
 Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.
 Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (Vigil)
 Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
ST. PIUS X:
 Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesdays in St. Anthony Church Chapel following the rosary @ 9:00 a.m.

RCIA: Parish Hall - Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m.

Confessions:

Before weekend Mass or by appointment.

Baptism:

Second Sunday of the month. The Seminar is the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Please contact the rectory for forms prior to seminar.

Marriage:

Please contact Fr. Luke six months prior to desired ceremony date.

Funeral:

Please contact Fr. Luke before final arrangements of funeral.

Anointing of the Sick:

Call the rectory in case of emergency.

C.C.D. Classes:

Grades K - 9th Monday at 6:00 to 7:15 p.m. at Parish Hall. Grades 10th & 11th Sunday at 9:00 to 11:15 a.m. at Parish Hall.

Ministry to the Sick and Shut In:

Parishioners unable to attend mass and receive communion, please call the rectory.

Scripture Outline & Reflection READINGS

1 Kings 19:9, 11-13;
 Psalms 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14;
 Romans 9:1-5;
 Matthew 14:22-33

In the midst of our trials and tribulations, the Lord extends his hands to us (3) and saves us (Ps). He calms our frightened hearts through his quiet presence (1). May our faith in the Lord draw God's chosen people to the new covenant in Christ (2).



Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

Matthew 14:22-33

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St. Anthony/St. Pius X
Collections August 5th and 6th

1st Collection	2nd Collection
\$2,248.06	\$1,069.00

Children's Collection \$25.00

Online Giving \$257.00

Total Weekly Offering \$3,599.06

Nigerian Mission: \$1,805.75

MASS ATTENDANCE

4:00 p.m.	46
9:00 a.m.	94
10:30 a.m.	54

ST. ANTHONY

ST. PIUS X

Electric Bill (June)
\$2,720.75

Electric Bill (June)
\$309.87

When you feel like
you're drowning
in life, don't
worry...
your lifeguard walks
on water



There are storms that pass through our lives and never seem to end. Sometimes they are providential storms that obligate us to push our little boat on by any means just so that it doesn't smash up in the shoals of hopelessness. It was Jesus who obligated the disciples to go on the voyage and confront their fears because it is then that they will see what they carry in their hearts and what they are truly made of. We must note that the storm is especially long. It starts in the evening but not until the night is almost over does Jesus decide to go out to meet them. There are times in life when it seems like the Lord has really forgotten about us and hope starts to fail.

While Peter keeps his gaze fixed on Jesus, he does not sink, but the moment he takes his eyes off him and focuses on his limitations he begins to drown. And yet, thanks to his courage and his desire to attempt the impossible, he is able to live a fundamental double experience.

Peter understands that, on his own, he will get nowhere, that without Jesus he will surely drown under the weight of the negative image he has of himself. Yet precisely while he is drowning, he experiences being grabbed by someone and pulled out of the waters of desperation. This is the baptismal experience that is written in the faith of each of us: without the Lord, we drown, but when we are drowning, the Lord gives us his hand that holds us tight. This is what it means to be saved in the storms of life.

[Excerpts of
catholic-link.org/trust-when-abandoned-gospel-reflection
By Fr. Gaetano Piccoloni]

RCIA ENROLLMENT



If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or want to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please consider attending the Rite of Christian

Initiation of Adults (RCIA). The class will begin on Wednesday, August 23, 2023 at 7 :00 p.m. Please call the rectory at 689-4101 to be enrolled in the classes.

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

**INVITE JESUS
INTO THE STORMS
OF LIFE**



**ST. ANTHONY/ST.PIUS X
MASS INTENTIONS**

Aug. 12th	4:00 p.m.	John Heurtin, Jr. Eugene & Theresa Agoff and Family Mildred Despaux Manuel Boutte, Sr. Peggy Richard Ward Most Abandoned Souls in Purgatory
Aug. 13th	9:00 a.m.	All Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	Dominick Rudolph Gladys L. Denet Mary Schieffler Morgan Perrin, Sr.



**St. Anthony Altar Flowers
&
St. Pius X Altar Flowers**



Because of the extremely hot weather we are not placing flowers in the churches at this time. We would however, like to take this time to acknowledge and express our sincere thanks to Elias and Lenora Basse for their selfless donating and providing our churches with such beautiful flower arrangements for the altar for many, many years. May God continue to bless them abundantly.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Parishioners and Father John Ryan, Dot Perrin, Herman Helmer, June Fazende, Floyd Porche, Patricia Cantrelle, Alvin Adam, Jr., Edward Joseph Hymel, Jr., Angel Dempster, Ronald J. Thomassie, Loraine LaCross, Barbara Adam, Willard O. Masters III, Robert John Laurent, Betty Perrin, Ethel Autin, Mary Maise Bonura, Linda Silver, Joan Coulon, Eugene Pizani, Lottie Cherie Bennett, Susan Lepine Guidry, Gerald "Sam" Guidry, Sr., Manuel Torres, Jr., Dominick Ditcharo, Jr., Pearl Wyman, Adren Bailey, Sr., William Adam, Ruphus Boutte, Alfred Ledet, John Heurtin, Jr., David Perez, Elda Matherne, Victor Dardar, Sr., Hillary Stein, Caleb Favalaro, Simon Hingle, Belvina Kuhn Bundy and Roy Rogers.

Parish Event

August 13th, (Sunday)	CCD Registration St. Anthony Parish Hall	10:15 a.m.
August 25th, (Friday)	Second Harvest Food Drive St. Anthony Parish Hall	9:00 a.m.
September 23rd, (Saturday)	Shrimp Kook-Off St. Anthony Parish Hall	TBA
October 28th, (Saturday)	Fall Craft & Vendor Show St. Anthony Parish Hall	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 pm.



**St. Anthony Sanctuary Lamps
&
St. Pius X Sanctuary Lamps**

All Deceased Parishioners



**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
AUGUST 15TH**

**Scripture Outline & Reflection
READINGS**

Revelation 11:19, 12:1-6, 10;
Psalms 45:10, 11, 12, 16;
1 Corinthians 15:20-27;
Luke 1:39-56

Because she belonged to Christ (2), Mary, our queen (Ps), is raised on high (3), a great sign (1) for all who believe in her Son.

All Masses will be at St. Pius X

Schedule:

**Monday, August 14th
Vigil @ 4:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, August 15th
@ 12:00 noon
and
@ 7:00 p.m.**