



Novena to St. Maximilian

Fr. Justin Rosary Hour
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*Dear Devotees of St. Maximilian
Friends, Benefactors and Patrons of the Rosary Hour,
Praised be Jesus Christ!*

Another saint whose special intercession we will be invoking this year is **St. Maximilian – Knight of the Immaculata**.

From the years of his youth Maximilian was filled with the great love of Christ and the desire for martyrdom. This love and this desire accompanied him along the path of his Franciscan and priestly vocation. This love and this desire followed him through all the places of his priestly and Franciscan pastoral ministry in Poland and on missions in Japan.



The inspiration of his whole life was **the Immaculata**. To her he entrusted his love for Christ and his desire for martyrdom. In the mystery of the Immaculate Conception there revealed itself before the eyes of his soul that marvelous and supernatural world of God's grace offered to man. The faith and deeds of the whole life of Father Maximilian show that he thought of his cooperation with divine grace as a warfare under the banner of the Immaculate Conception. This Marian characteristic is particularly expressive in the life and holiness of Fr Kolbe. His whole apostolate, both in his homeland and on the missions, was similarly marked with this sign.

St. Maximilian cared about the lives of other people on earth and for the salvation of human souls. In this way, during the novena, we will ask St. Maximilian, to help us in our earthly efforts. We will ask God to enkindle us all with the same love and zeal that was in the heart of St. Maximilian. We will ask that we would be able to draw people to the path of salvation through Christ our Lord by the testimony of our own life, by faith and deed, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Summer is a particular time for rest, relaxation, and renewal. But we all know there is no vacation from the Lord God nor from deepening our faith... **so there is no vacation from the ministry of Franciscans.**

At the beginning of the summer months, we strongly encourage you to take part in the **NOVENA to ST. MAXIMILIAN**. During the novena (August 5-13) and the feast of St. Maximilian (August 14), you will be spiritually united in the prayers as well as 9 Masses, with the Franciscans, the entire Rosary Hour Family and the Companions of St. Anthony, who will entrust all your special intentions to the God through the intercession of St. Maximilian and the Mother of God.

On the enclosed reply form, please note your individual intentions that are very important to you, which will be included in **9 days of PRAYER** and **9 HOLY MASSES**. Please send the card with your intentions together with the monetary gift. Today, without your help, it would be very difficult for the Franciscans to preach the Good News about Jesus.

May the Merciful God bless you for your generous heart.

May St. Maximilian and Mary Immaculate intercede for you to our merciful Lord.

We send you our most sincere greetings and look forward to your response.

With prayer and gratitude, entrusted in the Immaculata,

Br. Daniel Geary, OFM Conv.

Br Daniel Geary with the *Fr Justin Rosary Hour* community
and the *Companions of St. Anthony*

PS – If you would like to receive a brochure with a powerful **Litany of St. Maximilian** write to us or mark it on the return card. At your request, we would be happy to send it to you.

When you send your intentions **REMEMBER to write YOUR NAME and ADDRESS.**

