



Novena to St. Maximilian

2025

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!*

Today we invite you to join the “Rosary Hour” in a very special **Novena to St. Maximilian Kolbe - the Knight of the Immaculate**. We will pray, fast and sacrifice with him from August 5th through 13th, the vigil of his martyrdom in a starvation bunker in the Oswiecim (Auschwitz) Nazi concentration camp.

Although it was prohibited, this bunker reverberated with religious songs and prayers. The convicts had nothing to lose. The presence and example of St. Maximilian stimulated them to pray and trust God. As did St. Maximilian, we encourage you to **PRAY**. Not only have we nothing to lose, we have everything to gain through the intercession of our Immaculate Lady and her Knight – St. Maximilian!



We also invite you to **FAST** as you join us in praying this Novena. Our fasting can be very efficacious when prayers for our special intentions seem to be insufficient. Fasting can be undertaken for a specific intention, propitiatory, penitential, etc. Directing fasting towards renewing relationships with God and others can be a meaningful and beneficial spiritual practice.

In the beginning of his evangelization through the mass media, St. Maximilian had many financial problems which threatened to end this apostolate. Fortunately, he found an envelope captioned, “**For You, Immaculate**”. Enclosed was the equivalent of 50 US dollars. At that time this gift saved his apostolate.

In honor of St. Maximilian, we ask you to send us your monetary **GIFT “for the Immaculate”**, to help the Franciscans and the “Rosary Hour”, founded 94 years ago, by Fr. Justin Figas, who was inspired by St. Maximilian, his apostolate, Marianism and the Franciscan spirit.

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 **Novena to 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.****