

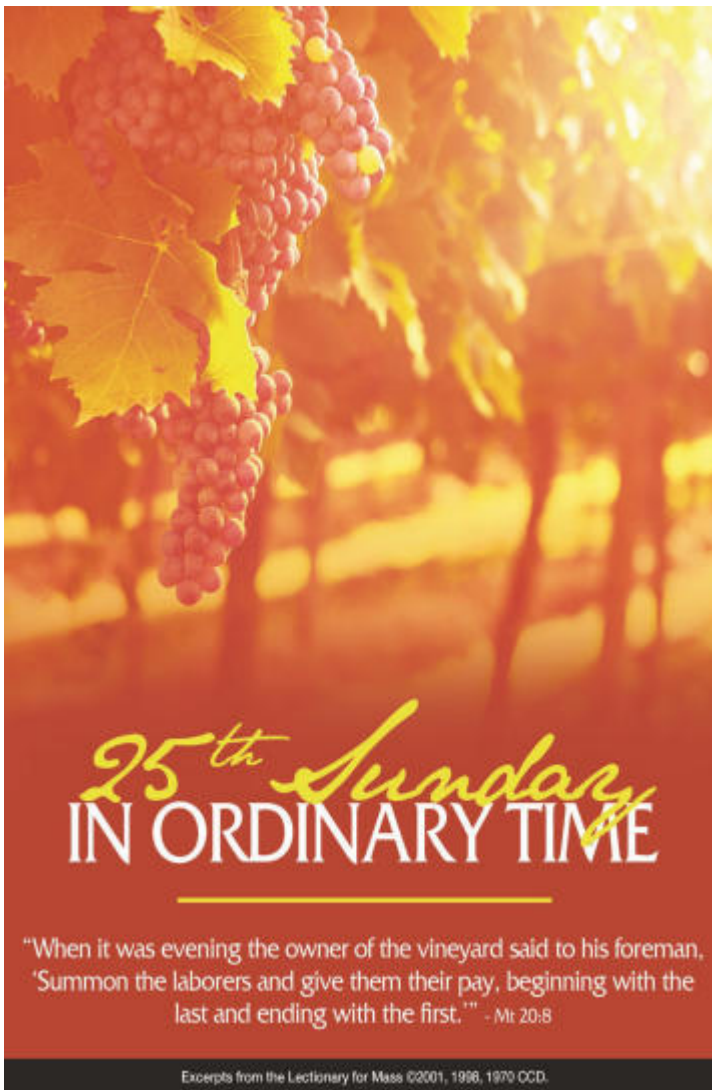
# St. Maximilian Kolbe

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Whether you come to us from across the street or from across the country, we are honored that you have chosen to spend part of your Saturday or Sunday with us.

## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 20, 2020



### Parish Ministry

Fr. Francis Nusi, Pastor 715-927-3224

Kathy Monette, Secretary/Bookkeeper

### Office Hours:

Father Nusi: Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am-12:00pm

Kathy: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:00-12:00am

Office Phone: (920) 822-5255

### Religious Education

Michelle Bukowiec, Coordinator 920-619-7530

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### Parish Registration

New families in the area, and High School Graduates should register at the Parish Office and become active members of the parish.

### Baptism

Parents are to call the Parish Office at least 60 days in advance to arrange an appointment for Baptismal preparations.

### Marriage

Contact the pastor for an initial interview as soon as an engagement takes place; at a minimum of six months prior to the wedding.

### Anointing of the Sick

Notify the parish office if a member of your family is seriously ill at home and is in need of the Sacrament.

### Holy Orders

Those discerning a call to the Priesthood or the Religious Life should contact the Pastor or call the Vocation Office: 1-920-272-8431

### Reconciliation (Confessions) at St. Max

Sunday: 8:15 am—8:45 am

Or by Appointment

### Eucharistic Celebration at St. Maximilian Kolbe

Saturday: 5:45 pm      Sunday: 9:00 am

### Eucharistic Celebration at Holy Trinity, Oconto

Saturday: 4:00 pm      Sunday: 11:00 am



# Parish News

## Weekday Masses

8:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 22

+Louis Kobylarczyk

8:00 a.m. Thursday, September 24

For Our Parishioners

## Sunday Masses

5:45 p.m. Saturday, September 26

+Anna Burdosh

9:00 a.m. Sunday, September 27

+Frank & Stella Pomprowitz

Adoration to follow the 8:00 am mass the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month. Next adoration will be Thursday, October 1.

## Liturgical Roles September 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

### Servers

5:45 p.m. Volunteer

9:00 a.m. Logan & Michael Wyent

### Readers

5:45 p.m. Barb Kimme

9:00 a.m. Clare Wyent

### Hospitality Ministers

5:45 p.m. Volunteer

9:00 a.m. Jon Wyent

### Temp Takers/Pew Cleaners

5:45 p.m. Rosie Herek

9:00 a.m. Nancy Lubenske

Have you heard this saying: "When you sing, you pray twice." We are blessed to have the opportunity to "pray twice" at our weekday Masses. Thanks to our Saturday night musician, Joan Koehne, who volunteers as a music minister on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We pray the Rosary at 7:30 a.m., and Mass follows at 8 a.m.

Music, message, Eucharist - the morning Mass is a grace-filled way to start the day. Join our small gathering of believers as we praise and worship God in Word and song.

## Holy Land Collection 2020

The Holy Land Collection encouraged by Pope Francis that is usually held Good Friday has been moved to Sept 26/27. To make a contribution, use the enclosed Holy Land envelope or put your contribution in an envelope and mark it 'Holy Land'.

## A Little Church Humor

- No God - No Peace. Know God—Know Peace.
- Free Trip to heaven. Details Inside!
- Try our Sundays. They are better than Baskin-Robbins .

**2Cor. 9,11: "...your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."**

## September 13, 2020

Stewardship/Loose Collection: \$1345.93

Votives: \$28.00

**Weekly Goal: \$2,480.00**

Maintenance: \$118.00

September Maintenance Total: \$171.00

**Monthly Maintenance Goal: \$900.00**

## Prayers

Please remember Victoria Throw, Aggie Mikulsky, Barb Blaser, Cheryl Szcepanski, Barbara Dequaine, Marlene Schubert and all our homebound and nursing home residents in your prayers.

## Bishop's Appeal Update:

\$24,203 St. Maximilian Kolbe parish goal

\$22,226 raised as of September 15, 2020



## Dispensation has been lifted

Following much careful consideration, the dispensation for Sunday Mass obligation has been lifted and beginning the weekend of Sept. 19 and 20, all Catholics will once again gather as a community of faith on Sundays. The lifting of the dispensation was announced in a decree issued by Bishop David Ricken on Monday, Sept. 7.

With this news, please note there are still occasions when the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply:

- If individual Catholics struggle with serious health concerns or are physically or morally prevented from worshipping at Mass for a grave reason
- If individuals are frail due to illness or age or, in their well-formed consciences believe that going into public places -- including Sunday worship at Mass -- would place their health or the health of their loved ones in serious jeopardy
- If individuals are sick, or have been in contact with someone who has been sick

The faithful who are unable to attend Mass are urged to make holy the Lord's Day and to pray, read the Scriptures, watch a broadcast or livestreamed Mass and take part in acts of charity.

These guidelines make clear that face masks are still required, and that the standards of social distancing will still be upheld.

## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time — JUSTICE AND COMPASSION

In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah exhorts to the people in Babylonian exile that their God is merciful, and forgiving. He is ready to pardon their infidelity to Him, which has resulted in their exile. Their merciful God will bless them with material and spiritual blessings. Hence, Isaiah exhorts them, and us, to seek the Lord and to put aside evil ways that we may receive His mercy and forgiveness. We have to remember the words of our Lord, “My thoughts are not your thoughts, your ways are not my ways [...] as much as heaven dominates the earth, so much my ways dominate your ways, my thoughts overwhelm your thoughts” (Is 55:8-9). In the second reading, Paul offers himself as an example of total submission, aided by God’s grace, to His will. Paul is ready to live continuing his mission, or to die and join the Lord, whichever is God’s will. In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells us the strange parable of a landowner who hired laborers at five different times during the course of one day to work in his vineyard, but paid the same living wage for a full day’s work to all of them. This parable presents God (the landlord), whose love and generosity to all of us demonstrates the difference between God’s perspective and ours. God looks at us, sees our needs and meets those needs generously and mercifully. His provisions for our spiritual lives will never run out, and when we share our blessings with others, we tap into the inexhaustible Divine supply. The parable also shows the mercy, compassion, and generosity of a gracious and forgiving God in allowing the later-called Gentiles as well the first-called Jews, His Chosen People, to enjoy the same eternal bliss of His Heavenly Kingdom. We need to follow God’s example and show loving generosity to our neighbor. When someone else is more successful than we are, let us assume that person needs it. When someone who does wrong fails to get caught, let us remember the many times we have done wrong and gotten off free. Envy should have no place in our lives. We cannot control, and dare not pass judgment on, the way God blesses others, only rejoice that He does so, just as He blesses us. We need to express our gratitude to God in our daily lives. God personally calls each of us to our own ministry in this world and shows us His care by giving us His grace and eternal salvation. To God, we are more than just numbers on a payroll. Our call to His vineyard is free gift from Him for which we can never be sufficiently thankful. All our talents and blessings are freely given to us. Hence, we should express our gratitude to Him by avoiding sin, by rendering loving service to others, by sharing our blessings with the poor and needy, and by constant prayer, listening and talking to Jesus always.



*Please note that in this month of September the Grace of God is poured on us to return to the Sunday Mass Obligation through the different feasts we have celebrated: On 8<sup>th</sup> the Birthday of Our Lady; On 12<sup>th</sup> the feast of the Holy Name of Our Lady; On 14<sup>th</sup> the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, and On 15<sup>th</sup> the Feast of the Our Lady of Sorrows. As our Bishop David said that with Christian joy and faith in our Lord Jesus, the time has come to return to the Eucharistic celebration on Sundays.*

God bless us all, Fr. Nusi.

### Upcoming Events at St. Max

**What: Parish Council Meeting**

**When:** Tuesday, Sept 22 at 7 pm

**What: Annual Church Meeting**

**When:** Saturday, Sept 26 after the 5:45 pm mass. Everyone is encouraged to attend to get the current church financial update and learn more about events/activities happening at St. Max

### 40 Days for Life walk

Beginning Sept. 29 - Oct. 27, Kathy Schroeder of Holy Trinity will be walking and praying each Tues. 2:00-3:00 p.m. Please call the Holy Trinity office 920-835-5900 if you wish to join or need to car-pool. The vigil is walked by the Planned Parenthood site on Oneida St. in GB, from Red Robin to the corner of the mall area. God bless your prayers.

### May She Live in Peace

Our parish extends its sympathy to the family and friends of Arleen Neklewicz who passed away August 29. Please remember them and their loved ones in your prayers.

### Happy Birthday

These parishioners have birthdays during the coming week. May your special day be filled with happiness.



Janice Galuska 9/21	Florence Brzezinski 9/25
Val Szymanski 9/21	Stacy Bouchard 9/26
Dave Van Handel 9/21	Wyatt Golik 9/26
Leonard Zellner 9/21	Jennifer Holtger 9/26
Mike Andraschko 9/22	Catherine Matuszak 9/26
Joan Brusewitz 9/22	Sue Berg 9/27
Landin Hamill 9/22	Carol Galkowski 9/27
Ronald Lapacz 9/23	Sean Hamill 9/27
Breann Hodge 9/24	Ron Kane 9/27

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