

# EMMANUEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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AUGUST 14, 2022 | TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I HAVE COME

TO SET THE EARTH ON FIRE,

AND HOW I WISH

*it were already blazing!*

~ Luke 12:49

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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday  
8:00am - 4:00pm

## DAILY MASSES

Monday - Thursday 7:30am, 8:30am  
Friday: 7:30am, 8:30am, 6:00pm  
Saturday: 8:30am

## SATURDAY VIGIL MASSES

4:00pm  
5:30pm

## SUNDAY MASSES

7:30am  
9:00am  
10:30am  
12:00pm  
6:00pm

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every first Friday from 9:00am - 5:55pm  
Followed by the 6:00pm Mass  
Morning Adoration 6:30am - 7:30am (Monday - Friday)

## TAIZÉ PRAYER

Every Friday at 6:30pm—7:30pm  
(after 6:00pm Mass) except for First Fridays.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Call the parish office

## BAPTISMS

Sundays at 1:00pm. Schedule one month in  
Advance. Contact Parish Office.

## WEDDINGS

Contact Deacon Tony at least 6 months in advance

## HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

5:00pm Vigil Mass  
7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

## GIFT SHOP

Monday & Wednesday 8am-1:30pm  
Tuesday Closed  
Thursday & Friday 8am-1pm  
Saturday Closed

First two Sundays of the Month 11am– 1pm  
Second two Sundays of the Month 10am– 1:30pm

## ROSARY GROUP

Monday—Friday after the 7:30am Daily Mass

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday: Following the 8:30am Mass, or by appointment

*Welcome to Emmanuel Catholic Church  
Parish Family  
God is with us*

## **Parish Mission Statement**

Emmanuel Catholic Church which means, God is with us, is a faithful community of believers dedicated to proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church through word, sacrament, and service. As one parish family of God, we live by faith, truth, and love as we value the sanctity of life in all its stages and make the Holy Eucharist the center of our lives. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the consultation with our parish ministries, we desire to be witnesses of God's presence as we share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure with God's Family.

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## **Parish Organizational Chart**

Most Reverend Gerald M Barbarito

*Bishop of Palm Beach*

Rev. Gaudioso Zamora

*Pastor*

### **Clergy**

Parish Vicar Rev: Theodore Ihedoro  
Deacon: Deacon Anthony Cuseo  
In Resident: Rev. Joseph Papes  
Weekday & Weekend Associates:  
Rev. Timothy Canaan & Rev. David Carr

### **Staff**

Bookkeeper: Tanya Kuppamala ext: 1001  
Secretary: Stella Sadolfo ext: 1007  
Receptionist: Michelle Pullorkunnel ext: 1000  
Property Manager: Edward Shannon ext: 1006  
Parish Pastoral Program  
Coordinator: Joella Anastasi ext: 1002

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### **Parish Pastoral Council**

### **Parish Finance Council**

## **Parish Ministries**

RCIA & Sacramental Preparation: Dcn. Tony Cuseo  
Religious Education: Jean Krokus ext:1005  
Children of Divine Mercy: Melissa & Annette  
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Fr. Theo  
Lectors: Fr. Theo  
Hospitality/ Ushers: Bob Bonney & Chuck Dolce  
Altar Servers:  
Music: Linda Coz, Ree Joy Baldonado,  
Clanaven Baldonado & Men's Choir

Altar Flowers: Bella Simbajon & Filipino Community  
Altar & Clergy Vestments: Maryann DiBiase,  
Carol Chapman & Nancy McDonald  
Homebound: Fr. Theo ext: 1004  
Hospital Ministry: Fr. Theo ext: 1004  
Youth Group:  
Gift Shop: Josephine Joan ext: 1009  
Blood Drive: Patti Gomez 561-293-9761

## **Parish Organizations**

Ladies Guild: President Carol Chapman  
Knights of Columbus: Grand Knight Luke VanHove

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**August 14th, 2022**  
**Jer 38: 4-6, 8-10 / Ps 40: 2-4, 18 / Heb 12: 1-4 / Lk 12:49-53**

Christianity is a loyalty, not an ideology nor a theory, but the faith in the person of Christ who is the Son of God. It is the imitation of his life, teachings, and sacrifice on the cross. Our faith is not like a dress that can be worn or removed by reason of expediency. It is a way of life, a breastplate of identification, that we constantly profess in our lives.

We are living in the age of secularism and materialism. It is characterized by the attitude that we can have things easily and immediately. The market is flooded with a lot of instant commodities: instant coffee, instant soup, instant everything, etc. What becomes important is to enjoy the present and to keep on grabbing things as much as we can, as fast as we can, in any way we can.

The danger of the age of instant things is to think also of instant salvation. We can be thrown into the devil's trap of veering away from the difficult commitment of faith and the sacrifices it entails. We may fall into the false promise that salvation can be achieved even without the cross.

But Christ is like a two-edged sword that cuts through the middle and divides us into whether we are for him or we are against him. There is no middle ground, no compromises. When we are confronted by conflicts, by things asked of us in our job, by the ideas and wishes of people close to us, we are expected to stand up with our Christian convictions.

St. Thomas More, stood put on his principles even if that meant going against the desires of his friend, king Henry VIII of England, and the pleadings of his family. As Lord Chancellor, the king hoped that he would support his divorce from his wife and marry his concubine, but Thomas firmly told him: "It is not lawful to divorce." He was put in prison.

His wife and favorite daughter Margaret attempted to persuade him not to oppose the king, but he reportedly replied: "How many years do you think would we still live and stay together?" "About twenty years," came the answer. "Twenty years! How can I go against my God who has always been faithful to me, and live and stay with you for twenty years more, but doing against his will?" was the reply of Thomas.

On the day of his execution, he was asked to speak before the people. He declared: "I die for my faith in the Catholic Church. I die a faithful servant of God and of the king. Pray for the king that God may enlighten and inspire him.

Some of the pressing issues of our times is the threats to the family, abortion, etc. Pope John Paul II sadly spoke that "the sins against love and life are taken as examples of progress and emancipation."

The world and its servants are talking about freedom, absolute freedom of the individual. It's a mind—your—own—business society, it's a free world. Life is seen simply as a list of choices to choose from according to one's convenience.

But for us Christians, there's only one choice against the false choices of the world. It is to choose Christ. Peace can be found in cemeteries, but it is the peace of the dead. True peace is not the absence of conflict. It is making a resolute decision of doing what is right and true in the light of our faith in God.

My dear friends, the incredible loyalty of the martyrs give us an inspiration as well as the challenge: Can we also do the same? Can we put Christ ahead of all other loyalties in life? Can we love him above anyone and anything else?



## August 14, 2022 - Weekly Mass Schedule

### **14 SUNDAY**

**7:30am** †Ramon Tavarez by Estebania Brea, & †Luz Penai by Ceballo Family, & Jack Coulter by Eddie McDonnell  
**9:00am** \*In honor of Padre Pio by Fr. James DeVita, & \*Schickendanz Family by —  
**10:00am** No Intention  
**10:30am** Parishioners & Benefactors  
**12:00pm** †Mr. & Mrs. Frank DiNoto by Donna and Frank Femiano, & †Frank Dinoto by Brenda and David Thom  
**6:00pm** †Realino Santoro by Guisepe Santoro and Family, & \*The Pavilion by —

### **15 MONDAY**

**7:30am** †Juan Peraza by Wife, & \*Maggie Rudzinska by Mom  
**8:30am** \*The Catholic Church by —, & †Rose Marie and Frank DiNoto by DiNoto Family

### **16 TUESDAY**

**7:30am** †Marion and John Daly by Eddie McDonnell, & †Rita and Ralph Baratto by Eddie McDonnell  
**8:30am** †Gregg Gillooly by Mother, & \*Victor and Kyla Caraballo by Caraballo-Donegan Family

### **17 WEDNESDAY**

**7:30am** †Irma Toscano Parker by Mother and Father, & †Claire Cerrone by Eddie McDonnell  
**8:30am** †Claire and Douglas Sheeler by Eddie McDonnell, & †Victorin Family by Marie Victorin

### **18 THURSDAY**

**7:30pm** †Miguel Velazquez by Martina DeBoise, & †Souls in Purgatory by Martina DeBoise  
**8:30am** †Robert 'Bobby' Farina by Wife, & †Francine Bonafede by Annette Bonafede, & †Helen Nebrotski by Family

### **19 FRIDAY**

**7:30am** †Percy Cannon Sr. by Cannon Family, & †Angela and Carlos Henriod by Cannon Family  
**8:30am** \*Mark W. Vlasek by Gail Vlasek, & \*Jeanne S. Nardiello by Gail and Mark Vlasek  
**6:00pm** Intentions of the Celebrant

### **20 SATURDAY**

**8:30am** †Mabel Weiland by Plummer Family, & \*Brooks Family by —  
**4:00pm** Book of the Dead  
**5:30pm** †Lucila Fernandez by Ana Fernandez, & †Robert 'Bobby' Farina by Wife

### **21 SUNDAY**

**7:30am** †Christine Thurman by Family, & †Ramon Sandoval by German and Carol  
**9:00am** †George Untener by Wife Linda, & \*Schleicher Family by —  
**10:00am** No Intention  
**10:30am** Parishioners & Benefactors  
**12:00pm** †Judith Everts by Ramon Palmero  
**6:00pm** †Placido Rodriguez by Esther and Family, & †Marie Catino- Clark by Sonia and Vivian Torres

### Unscheduled Mass Intentions

*Ann Sessa	by Margie Prendergaast
*Maddie Koenig	by Margie Prendergast
†Charlies Knight Jr.	by Susan & Rocco Morcone
*Thanksgiving to St. Joseph	by Andrew N.
*Jose Bedoya & Nohora Tobar	by Mom
*Alejandra & Daniela Bedoya	by Mom
*Manuel Tobar & Nora Calderon	by Daughter
*Lina Tobar & Family	by Sister
†Weber Lapomarede	by Children
†Michelle Moise	by Children

### Prayer List

Dottie Ianniello	Diane Fulgeneti
Thomas Sajkovic	Nicholas Jarvis
Wende P.	Pat Ciara
Randy P.	Margaret (Maggie) Hilferty
T.J Genzale	Joan Egan
Michael Manuele	Tina Basilico
Rosemary Anne Perkins	Carol Nardo
Madison Koenig	Raphael Roman
Ann Sessa	Catherine Durso
James Gough	Florence Anadu
Joseph Fulgeneti	Frank Palladino

## Weekly Updates

### Our Weekly Offertory

Weekend Collection	August 7, 2022
Offertory Collection:	\$11,182.00
Second Collection:	\$2,264.00
Online:	\$878.60
<b>TOTAL:</b>	\$14,324.6

### DSA

Goal = \$150,000  
Amount Made = \$118,180.61  
Remaining = \$31,819.39



Thank you for your support for our poor box every week as we continue to feed our sisters and brothers/ poor families every Wednesday.



### Flowers & Lights For The Altar

#### ALTAR FLOWERS

For †Strong & Tucker Families by Cynthia Strong and Daughters

#### VIGIL LIGHTS

For the Intentions of Emmanuel Catholic Church

#### SHRINE FLOWERS

For the Intentions of Emmanuel Catholic Church

### Parish Events This Week

#### 15 Monday

6:30am Adoration  
1:00pm Monday at the Movies

#### 16 Tuesday

6:30am Adoration  
10:00am Faith Sharing

#### 16 Wednesday

6:30am Adoration  
4:00pm SoulCore

#### 17 Thursday

6:30am Adoration  
3:00pm Holy Hour for Priests, Religious, Missionaries, & Vocations

#### 18 Friday

6:30am Adoration  
6:30pm Taize

#### 19 Saturday

9:00am Confession

### Clergy Schedule

#### 15 Monday

7:30am Fr. Zamora  
8:30am Fr. Zamora

#### 16 Tuesday

7:30am Fr. Theo  
8:30am Fr. Theo

#### 17 Wednesday

7:30am Fr. Theo  
8:30am Fr. Carr

#### 18 Thursday

7:30am Fr. Zamora  
8:30am Fr. Carr

#### 19 Friday

7:30am Fr. Zamora  
8:30am Fr. Carr  
6:00pm Fr. Theo

#### 20 Saturday

8:30am Fr. Carr  
4:00pm Fr. Papes  
5:30pm Fr. Zamora

#### 21 Sunday

7:30am Fr. Theo  
9:00am Fr. Carr  
10:30am Fr. Zamora  
12:00pm Fr. Theo  
6:00pm Fr. Theo



## Announcements

### Parishioner Registration Forms

Registering as an Official Parishioner of Emmanuel is very important to us and you! Attending Mass on a regular basis does not technically mean you are registered. You must fill out a form, which will be entered into our records. Please pick up a form at the back of the church and return it to the parish office. You may also call the office to verify if you are already registered or not. Thank you!



### Prayer Before Communion

O Lord, I believe and profess that you are truly Christ, Son of the living God, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. Accept me this day as a partaker of your mystical supper O Son of God. May the partaking of your holy mysteries, O Lord, be not for judgement or condemnation, but for the healing of body and soul. I also believe and profess that this, which I am about to receive, is truly your most precious Body & Blood, which, I pray, make me worthy to receive for the remission of all my sins and life everlasting. Amen.

### Prayer For The Pavilion Project

Loving Father, creator of all things, we come to you asking your blessing on the construction of our pavilion. We pray for all involved in this project from donors to those who will bring it to completion. We dedicate this endeavor through the intercession of St. Joseph the worker. We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen



### Protection Against Hurricanes

God our Father, Creator of the Universe and Lord over all creation, we humbly stand before you as your children in thanksgiving for your loving care and protection. We ask that you keep us safe from all hurricanes and illnesses which may threaten us in the coming seasons. Protect us from all fear and anxiety and give us an ardent trust and hope in Your love and mercy. You alone bring peace, calm, and safety. Father, we thank you in advance, for you are our only refuge. We ask this through Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.  
Amen.

Mary Queen of the Apostles, and Patroness of our Diocese, Pray for us.

### Prayer for Vocations

Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to your voice. Support our bishops, priests and consecrated people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to your service. Awaken in our community a missionary eagerness. Lord, send your workers to your harvest and do not allow humanity to be lost for the lack of pastors, missionaries and people dedicated to the cause of the Gospel. Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation.  
Amen.

## Announcements

### Volunteers Needed!

The Outreach Ministry is looking for male volunteers to help with our parishioners who are homebound. If you feel called to help please stop by the parish office during the week or contact us at 561-496-2480



### For You!

We have a large supply of assorted Adult Depends and elderly adult items that have been donated to our parish. If you or someone you know is in need please stop by the parish office to pick some up!



Dear Parishioners,

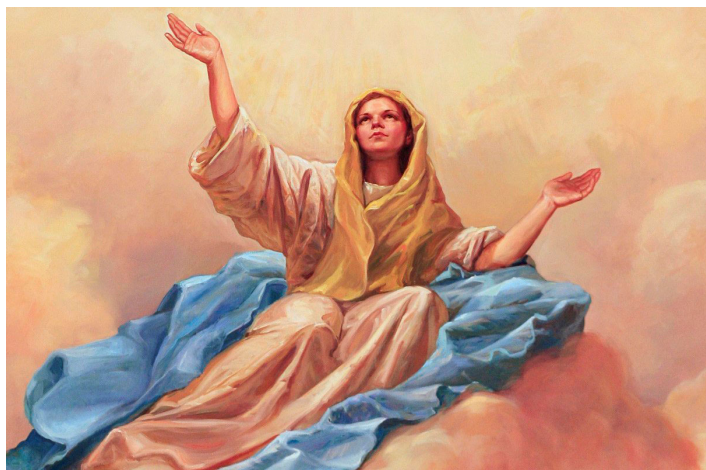
The church will be closed after the 8:30am mass Tuesday, August 16th for Carpet and Upholstery Cleaning. If you want to pray, you can go to our small chapel. Please enter through the office door to get to the chapel!  
Thank you!



## Announcements

### Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This year's feast is NOT a day of obligation in the USA since it falls on a Monday. We will have our regular schedule of masses 7:30am and 8:30am. However, our Parish office will be closed on Monday.



### Anointing of the Sick

Starting Thursday, August 18th, we will resume the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick right after the 8:30am mass. Those who go for a procedure, surgery, or if you are sick please come to the 8:30am mass and receive the Sacrament.

THANK YOU!





## Announcements

Registration is open for the 2022-2023 Religious Education Classes.

Hello families

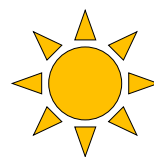
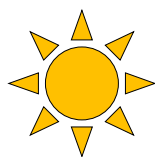
A new year of CCD classes is about to begin. We hope your summer has been fun and faith filled. It is now time to register for classes. You may drop by the office during office hours to fill out a registration form. **Classes will begin Sunday September 11th for all grades.** Kindergarten through 5th grade will have class every Sunday and grades 6-12th (Confirmation class) will be the 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month. There will be a parents meeting for Grades kindergarten-5th on Sept. 11th right after mass. The parents meeting for grades 6-12th will be September 18th at 11:30am.

The children's mass will resume on Sunday September 11th at 10:00am.

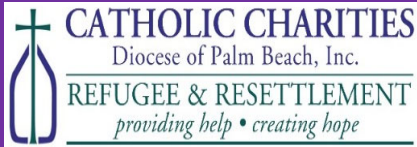
The fee for registration is \$25.00 per student. This includes Sacrament Students receiving First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Please make sure you register as soon as possible. You will find more details attached to the registration forms. We look forward to welcoming your children back to mass and classes!

Wishing everyone a blessed and great school year ahead!



## Announcements



# Granted Asylum or Paroled?

## You may be eligible for **EMPLOYMENT SERVICES** and **CASH ASSISTANCE!**

*If you have been admitted into The USA under any of the statuses listed below in “Who is Eligible”, you may qualify for services through Catholic Charities’*

**Match Grant Program. Call Immediately!!! 561-345-2000**

### Who is Eligible

**Refugees** admitted under section 207 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA)

**Asylees** whose status was granted under section 208 of the INA

**Individuals paroled** as refugees or asylees under section 212 (d)(5)(A) of the INA

**Cuban and Haitian** entrants in accordance with the requirements in 45 CFR 401.2

Certain **Amerasians** from Vietnam who are admitted to the United States as immigrants pursuant to section 584

**Victims of severe forms of trafficking**

Iraqi and Afghan Special Immigrant Visa holders (**SIVs**)

**Ukrainians** (with Humanitarian Parole)

### Services Provided

Cash Assistance and access to SNAP and Medicaid

Case Management Services and appropriate referrals (DCF, DOH, SSA, ESL, legal Services, etc)

Employment Services (Job development, Job search activities, employability workshops, work history, job placement, etc.)

Supportive Services (Free Work Permit Application, Child-care referral, etc.)



### Match Grant Program Goal

The main goal is to facilitate the client's self-sufficiency through employment; to ensure that families can provide for themselves as quickly as possible as well as give them a sense of responsibility and involvement in their new community.



### Contact Us

#### Walk in:

St. Francis Center  
Refugee Resettlement  
100 W 20<sup>th</sup> Street  
Riviera Beach, FL 33404

#### Call to make an appointment:

561-345-2000 ex. 22  
561-345-202 - Isabel

#### Catholic Charities' Mission:

*Catholic Charities of the five-county Diocese of Palm Beach respects life in all of its stages. In living our faith, we create hope for people in need, without regard to religion. Through our programs and ministries, we empower individuals, deliver social services and collaborate with others in building just and compassionate communities.*

# Announcements

## Ladies Guild



### 6 Night Western Caribbean & Perfect Day

#### *Harmony of the Seas*

An invitation to all parishioners, the Emmanuel Ladies Guild is sponsoring a cruise in January 2023 on *Harmony of the Seas*® - One of the world's biggest ships with the world's best features just got even better. Explore the Boardwalk and Central Park, watch a parade on the Royal Promenade, and catch a show at the Aqua Theater. Sip a post-dinner cocktail crafted by a robot in the unique Bionic Bar, or sit back and watch for the first time at sea, Broadway's hit Musical Grease. Share every moment with VOOM - the fastest Internet at sea.

### Sailing Itinerary Date and Ports of Call

Sunday, January 15, 2023	Fort Lauderdale, FL	4:30 PM Departure
Monday, January 16, 2023	Nassau, Bahamas	8:00 AM / 5:00 PM
Tuesday, January 17, 2023	At Sea	
Wednesday, January 18, 2023	Falmouth, Jamaica	8:30 AM / 4:30 PM
Thursday, January 19, 2023	Labadee, Haiti	9:30 AM / 5:00 PM
Friday, January 20, 2023	At Sea	
Saturday, January 21, 2023	Fort Lauderdale, FL	

We have secured special rates starting as listed below. These rates include the taxes and port charges. The rates are based on double occupancy. A total of 25 cabins have been put aside for our group.

Inside Cabin:	\$1,197.50 (\$598.75 per person)
Ocean View:	\$1,287.50 (\$643.75 per person)
Central Park Balcony:	\$1,413.50 (\$706.75 per person)
Boardwalk Balcony:	\$1,431.50 (\$715.75 per person)
Ocean View Balcony:	\$1,557.50 (\$778.75 per person)

Additional discounts may be available for seniors, past guest and Crown & Anchor members. This is the guaranteed price and your deposit locks in this rate. Any "sale" prices can lower the total cabin price. A \$500 deposit per cabin is due at the time of booking. Prices guaranteed until September 14<sup>th</sup>. You can book after this date at whatever the current prevailing price is at that time. Prices do continually fluctuate and we can re-price to any lower "sale" price prior to final payment. Final payment is due by October 14<sup>th</sup>. Gratuities not included are \$87.00 per person and can be added to the cabin cost, or be charged on board. Optional Vacation protection ranges from \$78 to \$118 per cabin based on the total cabin cost. Each cabin will also receive a special group perk of \$50 per cabin on board credit.

For more information call Carol Chapman, President Emmanuel Ladies Guild at 561-310-3229

### CALL MINDY NOW TO RESERVE YOUR CABIN

Call Mindy @ Players Choice, 954-428-1700 to book, this or any cruise, any destination, any date. She can beat any direct advertised" cruise line rate. [Mindykarr777@aol.com](mailto:Mindykarr777@aol.com)

## Announcements

### Saint Maximilian Kolbe's Story

"I don't know what's going to become of you!" How many parents have said that? Maximilian Mary Kolbe's reaction was, "I prayed very hard to Our Lady to tell me what would happen to me. She appeared, holding in her hands two crowns, one white, one red. She asked if I would like to have them—one was for purity, the other for martyrdom. I said, 'I choose both.' She smiled and disappeared." After that he was not the same. He entered the minor seminary of the Conventual Franciscans in Lviv—then Poland, now Ukraine—near his birthplace, and at 16 became a novice. Though Maximilian later achieved doctorates in philosophy and theology, he was deeply interested in science, even drawing plans for rocket ships.

Ordained at 24, Maximilian saw religious indifference as the deadliest poison of the day. His mission was to combat it. He had already founded the Militia of the Immaculata, whose aim was to fight evil with the witness of the good life, prayer, work, and suffering. He dreamed of and then founded *Knight of the Immaculata*, a religious magazine under Mary's protection to preach the Good News to all nations. For the work of publication he established a "City of the Immaculata"—Niepokalanow—which housed 700 of his Franciscan brothers. He later founded another one in Nagasaki, Japan. Both the Militia and the magazine ultimately reached the one-million mark in members and subscribers. His love of God was daily filtered through devotion to Mary.

In 1939, the Nazi panzers overran Poland with deadly speed. Niepokalanow was severely bombed. Kolbe and his friars were arrested, then released in less than three months, on the feast of the Immaculate Conception.

In 1941, Fr. Kolbe was arrested again. The Nazis' purpose was to liquidate the select ones, the leaders. The end came quickly, three months later in Auschwitz, after terrible beatings and humiliations.

A prisoner had escaped. The commandant announced that 10 men would die. He relished walking along the ranks. "This one. That one."

As they were being marched away to the starvation bunkers, Number 16670 dared to step from the line.

"I would like to take that man's place. He has a wife and children."

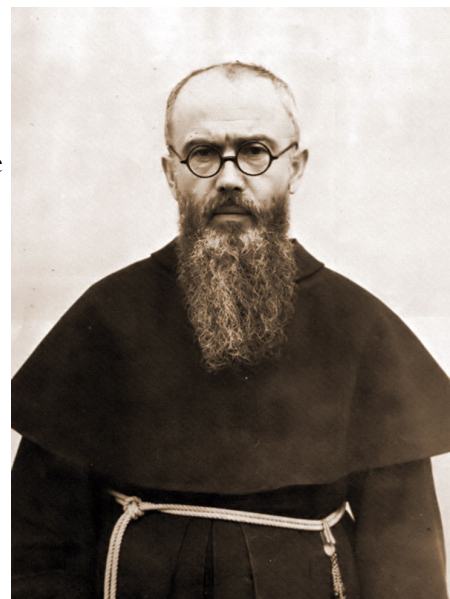
"Who are you?"

"A priest."

No name, no mention of fame. Silence. The commandant, dumbfounded, perhaps with a fleeting thought of history, kicked Sergeant Francis Gajowniczek out of line and ordered Fr. Kolbe to go with the nine. In the "block of death" they were ordered to strip naked, and their slow starvation began in darkness. But there was no screaming—the prisoners sang. By the eve of the Assumption, four were left alive. The jailer came to finish Kolbe off as he sat in a corner praying. He lifted his fleshless arm to receive the bite of the hypodermic needle. It was filled with carbolic acid. They burned his body with all the others. Fr. Kolbe was beatified in 1971 and canonized in 1982.

#### Reflection

Father Kolbe's death was not a sudden, last-minute act of heroism. His whole life had been a preparation. His holiness was a limitless, passionate desire to convert the whole world to God. And his beloved Immaculata was his inspiration.







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