

Monday, August 14, 2023 Monday of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time



Good morning!

We celebrate Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe. We read Deuteronomy 10:12-22, Psalm 147, and Matthew 17:22-27. Where does your alliance fall? To whom do you give of yourself? Moses continues his farewell discourse, reminding the people that the Lord asks, "Fear the Lord, your God, and follow his ways exactly, to love and serve the Lord, your God with all your heart and all your soul." Moses encourages the people as does the Lord to befriend the alien. Jesus speaks of his upcoming death and resurrection and the paying of the temple tax. We are to give of ourselves as we share in the responsibility of our duty to God. God will provide for us when we remain faithful. Maximilian Kolbe volunteered to take the place of one of the prisoners who was sentenced to die at Auschwitz. This is the ultimate sacrifice, as Jesus himself did for us.

Peace, RevKev

"Praise the Lord, Jerusalem."

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