



Raymond Kolbe was born in Poland in 1894. Raymond felt that God was asking him to follow him. He took the name Maximilian and enjoyed studying to become a priest. He was ordained in 1918. Fr Maximilian wanted everyone to know and love Jesus, so he started a centre near Warsaw in Poland where people could find out more about the Good News of Jesus. In 1941, Maximilian was arrested by the Germans and taken to Auschwitz concentration camp. Sadly, on August 14th 1941 he passed away. On October 10th 1982, Pope John Paul II canonized him Saint Maximilian Kolbe, a martyr. His feast day is celebrated on August 14th.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, Help us to recognise your infinite goodness and to understand the importance of prayer just like Saint Maximilian Kolbe. Help us in our efforts to love our neighbours and to serve others. Amen.