Answers to Requirements

1) Poland 1894
2) Tuberculosis
3) A Monastery
4) The Knight of the Immaculata
5) Franciscan
6) While at Auschwitz, he offered himself in place of a young Jewish husband and father.
7) He was Canonized by Pope John Paul II on October 10, 1982.

Frequently Asked Questions

May only Catholics or Scouts earn this? Who may earn this activity patch?
Any youth or adult may earn any of the activity patches. The requirements are grade-specific.

Is this activity considered a religious emblem and may a Scout receive a religious knot after earning this activity?
No. This activity is considered a religious activity, not a religious emblem. Scouts may not receive a religious knot for earning any of the activity patches.

Will there be more Saint Activity Patches?
Yes. There may be additional Saint patches released, from time to time.

Who may serve as an adult mentor for this activity?
Any parent or adult who meets the standard BSA and diocesan safe environment requirements.

Is there any time requirement?
Only that the grade-specific requirements need to be completed while in the respective grade level.

Do the answers need to be submitted?
No. The answers should be reviewed by an adult. The Order Form and patch fee are the only things that need to be submitted.

Who do I check with once I complete the requirements for my grade level?
Any knowledgeable parent, Scout leader, group leader, priest, religious or catechist.

Visit www.nccs-bsa.org for information on how to order patches for any of our religious activities.
Modern Saint Series Activities

This activity honors those men and women who led heroic lives of faith. Their words, deeds, and devotion to prayer and sacraments, inspire all American Catholics. In the U.S. church calendar, some have the rank of “saint” and are venerated by the universal church. Some have the rank of “blessed” and are venerated by the local church. Some have the rank of “venerable” and, while on the way to becoming a “saint”, may be venerated by Catholics. Most of these men and women lived and worked in either North or South America. Many lived in what is now the United States. Others never set foot there; however their lives and work had a huge impact on the Catholic American landscape. All of them sought to follow Jesus.

Requirements for Maximilian Kolbe Activity Patch

**All** – Read about this saint. You can find the answers to these questions on [www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php? saint_id=370](http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php? saint_id=370). Feel free to use other resources.

**K thru 5th Grades** - Complete 5 requirements and 2 activities OR visit the Maximilian Kolbe Shrine in Libertyville IL.

**6th thru 12th Grades** - Complete 6 requirements and 3 activities OR visit the Maximilian Kolbe Shrine in Libertyville IL.

### Requirements:

1) When and where was St. Maximilian Kolbe born?

2) What disease did he contract?

3) What did he found in Japan?

4) What was the name of the magazine he created?

5) What was the name of the religious order he belonged to?

6) Why was he martyred?

7) When was St. Maximilian canonized?

### Activities:

1) St. Maximilian Kolbe was greatly devoted to Our Lady – research with your parents the Militia Immaculata.

2) St. Maximilian Kolbe believed in standing up for what is right in order to save a life. With your parents, imitate him by praying outside an abortion clinic OR praying a rosary for an end to abortion.

3) St. Maximilian Kolbe went without food or water. Help those who hunger and thirst by volunteering at a food pantry.

4) St. Maximilian Kolbe consecrated himself to Mary. Do the Militia Immaculata consecration.

### Requirements for Adults:

1) Assist the youth with this Modern Saint Activity.

2) Share your thoughts with the youth about this American Saint.

3) Review the responses to the requirements of each youth participant to confirm his accuracy and to insure his understanding.

4) Fill out the order form for this Modern Saint Activity and send it along with the fee to NCCS.

For more information about this saint, check out the websites below.

- [www.Catholic.org](http://www.Catholic.org)
- [www.catholic.org/saints](http://www.catholic.org/saints)
- [www.catholicism.about.com](http://www.catholicism.about.com)
- [www.americancatholic.org](http://www.americancatholic.org)
- [www.saintsresource.com](http://www.saintsresource.com)